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Dear Colleagues,

Transmission Access Review (TAR) third stakeholder event - Delivering and Operating Infrastructure

Ofgem and the Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform (BERR) have initiated a review of the framework for access to the GB electricity transmission system. The purpose of this letter is to invite interested parties to a third stakeholder event on the 16th November 2007.

Ofgem and BERR jointly announced the beginning of TAR in our open letter on 26 July 2007, which set out the terms of reference of the review, and the high level deliverables. More recently we published our first consultation document for TAR on 16 August 2007, entitled "Transmission Access Review – A Call for Evidence for a Review of Transmission Access¹", which sets out a range of possible models for reforming the transmission access arrangements, and requested views from the industry. This consultation has now closed and all responses have now been received. Ofgem has also published its Short Term Access Governance (STAG) Report to the Secretary of State, which provides a progress report on the initiatives being taken forward to resolve the GB Queue, industry code amendments, as well as aspects of planning and delivering infrastructure.

We are committed to engaging with industry on issues being looked at by TAR via a combination of workgroups and consultation documents, and consider that ongoing involvement from the industry is vital in creating momentum to improve the current transmission access arrangements. The initial stakeholder event, which focused on the Call for Evidence, took place on 18 September 2007 in the BERR Conference Centre. A second stakeholder event on 5 November 2007 moved the debate on and presented more detailed thoughts on access models and assessment overviews. Following the success of these events and continued industry participation, Ofgem and BERR would like to invite parties to attend a third stakeholder event, focusing on the issues relating to delivering and operating infrastructure.

The purpose of the event is to explore whether the existing planning and operational framework remains appropriate in a world with a large proportion of intermittent generation. If you are interested in attending this event at the BERR Conference Centre please email transmissionaccessreview@ofgem.gov.uk.

¹ Found at:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Pages/MoreInformation.aspx?docid=2&refer=Networks/Trans/ElecTransPolicy/tar>

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