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Dear Mr Lavender

GB Transmission Charging – Final Methodologies Consultation

I am writing on behalf of SP Transmission in response to the above paper issued in August 2004.

Our main comment is to support the proposals for Site Specific Maintenance charges in section 4.1.4. The paper recognises the current work taking place on the detailed contractual relationship between the GB system operator and the Transmission Owners, and also refers to the changes to systems that would be required by the Scottish companies to provide sufficiently detailed data to calculate individual SSM charges. In the light of this it is sensible, at least for the time being, to establish a simplified site specific maintenance charging regime. We agree that this should be based on a simple percentage of GAV based on a forecast of maintenance charges across GB, and recalculated each year based on updated forecasts without reconciliation.

I hope that this is helpful, but please contact me if you would like to discuss further.

Yours sincerely,

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