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Dear Andrew

**RE: Consultation on the NTS Exit Capacity Release Methodology Statement (ExCR) in Respect of the Transitional Period**

CSL welcomes the opportunity to comment on the above consultation and offers support for the proposed changes to the statement.

In CSL's view, it is appropriate that the risks identified by RWE in Modification Proposal 0214 are addressed to prevent any unnecessary delay in the commissioning of new storage facilities given the national need and the current security of supply situation.

It is appropriate that in the period before the introduction of the enduring offtake arrangements, capacity can be secured for longer lead-time projects.

Yours sincerely,



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