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PLANNED MAINTENANCE FOR GAS INTERCONNECTOR

Interconnector (UK) Ltd announced today that the operation of the gas Interconnector between Bacton, U.K. and Zeebrugge, Belgium will cease for a 14 day period commencing 06:00 hours Monday 8th September 2003 for annual planned maintenance.

Operations are due to resume at 06:00 hours on Monday 22nd September 2003.

INTERCONNECTOR (UK) LIMITED – BACKGROUND

Interconnector (UK) Ltd, or IUK, operates a sub-sea pipeline and terminal facilities connecting the UK and continental Europe. The company's 40" diameter carbon steel pipeline stretches 230 kilometres between Bacton in north Norfolk and Zeebrugge in Belgium. It is capable of transporting 20 billion cubic metres a year (bcm/yr) from Bacton to Zeebrugge and 8.5 bcm/yr in the opposite direction.

Owned by ten major companies IUK has sold capacity in the pipeline to gas shippers. A dedicated and award winning IT system, ISIS, manages the volumes and flows and provides constantly updated information to IUK and its customers.

Further information on IUK can be obtained from www.iuk-isis.com

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