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Interconnector (UK) Limited

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2006 PLANNED MAINTENANCE

Interconnector (UK) Limited announced today that the UK-Belgium gas interconnector will be shut down for planned annual maintenance commencing 06:00 hours Monday 5th June 2006 for a period of up to 15 days. An update on the expected duration will be provided in due course but no later than 31st March 2006.

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 16.5 bcm/yr in the opposite direction.

Owned by seven 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.interconnector.com

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