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INTERCONNECTOR TERMINAL – LIQUIDS DELIVERY CONTAMINATION

Following the second contamination of the pipeline arising from delivery of hydrocarbon liquids on August 2002 from the NTS at Bacton, Interconnector confirmed today that clean-up of its plant and pipeline had been completed and normal flows of gas from the UK to the Continent had been resumed.

Transco have already indicated that “extensive checks have been carried out at the Transco Bacton terminal and the NTS to ensure the network is clean of liquids” but Interconnector is still monitoring closely the quality of gas being delivered at Bacton.

Roger Cornish Interconnector’s Managing Director said “We were all bitterly disappointed to have received a second delivery of liquids so soon after having completed a major clean-up operation but I hope this is the end of this highly disruptive event. I’m delighted that the plant is meeting all current nominations at flows equal to about 80% of capacity”

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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