

To:

Electricity North West Ltd
Northern Powergrid (Northeast) plc
Northern Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc
London Power Networks plc
South Eastern Power Networks plc
Eastern Power Networks plc
SP Distribution plc
SP Manweb plc
Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution plc
Southern Electric Power Distribution plc
Western Power Distribution (West Midlands) plc
Western Power Distribution (East Midlands) plc
Western Power Distribution (South Wales) plc
Western Power Distribution (South West) plc

Electricity Act 1989
Section 11A(2)

Notice of statutory consultation on a proposal to modify the standard conditions of all electricity distribution licences

1. The Gas and Electricity Markets Authority (the "Authority")¹ proposes to modify the standard conditions of all electricity distribution licences granted or treated as granted under section 6(1)(c) of the Electricity Act 1989 by amending Standard Conditions 1 and 31E of the Electricity Distribution Licence.
2. We are proposing these modifications to replace all references to "black start" with "Electricity System Restoration" to align the licence terminology with BEIS' restoration policy.
3. The effect of these proposed modifications is to ensure continuity between all electricity licences and BEIS's restoration policy.
4. A copy of the proposed modifications and other documents referred to in this Notice have been published on our website (www.ofgem.gov.uk). Alternatively, they are available, upon request, from foi@ofgem.gov.uk.
5. Any representations with respect to the proposed licence modifications must be made on or before **2 August 2021** to: Alastair Owen, Office of Gas and Electricity Markets, 10 South Colonnade, Canary Wharf, London, E14 4PU or by email to Alastair.Owen@ofgem.gov.uk.
6. We normally publish all responses on our website. However, if you do not wish your response to be made public then please clearly mark it as "not for publication". We prefer to receive responses in an electronic form so they can be placed easily on our website.
7. If we decide to make the proposed modifications they will take effect not less than 56 days after the decision is published.

¹ The terms "the Authority", "we" and "us" are used interchangeably in this document.

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Alastair Owen
Senior Manager – ESO Regulation
Duly authorised on behalf of the
Gas and Electricity Markets Authority

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