

To: TC Lincs OFTO Limited

**Electricity Act 1989
Section 11A(1)(a)**

Modification of the amended standard conditions of the offshore electricity transmission licence held by TC Lincs OFTO Limited

1. TC Lincs OFTO Limited is the holder of an offshore electricity transmission licence (the **Licence**) granted or treated as granted under section 6(1)(b) of the Electricity Act 1989 (the **Act**).
2. Under section 11A(2) of the Act the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority (the **Authority**)¹ gave notice on 11 November 2022 (the **Notice**) that we proposed to modify the following amended standard conditions (**ASC**) of the Licence:
 - a) **ASC E12-J3**: Restriction of Transmission Revenue: Allowed Pass-through Items; and
 - b) **Part A of ASC E12-J4**: Restriction of Transmission Revenue: Annual Revenue Adjustments.
3. We stated that any representations to the modifications proposed must be made on or before 9 December 2022.
4. A copy of the Notice was sent to the Secretary of State in accordance with section 11A(4)(b) of the Act, and we have not received a direction that the changes should not be made.
5. We received seventeen responses (representing thirty-three Licensees/ Interested Parties) to the Notice, which we have carefully considered. We have placed all non-confidential responses on our website. Our response to these comments is set out in the accompanying letter.
6. We are making licence changes to allow all Offshore Transmission Owners (**OFTOs**) to claim for the economic and efficient costs directly incurred in carrying out Health Reviews of their transmission assets and any Investment Works needed to extend the lifetime of those assets and approved by the Authority, and to claim for the availability lost as a direct result of carrying out the Health Reviews and Investment Works.

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

7. We are also making licence modifications to allow OFTOs licensed in tender rounds 1 to 3 to recover costs or expenses incurred in the event that VAT is applied to decommissioning costs and/or as a result of the disallowance of scrap value from the decommissioning security. This will bring those licences into line with those issued in later tender rounds.
8. The Authority published a separate decision notice on 28 June 2023² in relation to the licence modifications proposed in the Notice to Part C of ASC E12-J4. These modifications are highlighted in green in the accompanying Schedule 1 and do not form part of this decision notice.
9. This notice addresses all licence modifications proposed in the Notice other than those set out in the decision notice of 28 June 2023.
10. Where an application for permission to appeal our decision is made to the Competition and Markets Authority (the **CMA**) under section 11C of the Act, Rule 5.6 of the Energy Licence Modification Appeals: Competition and Markets Authority Rules³ requires that the appellant must send to any relevant licence holders who are not parties to the appeal a non-sensitive notice setting out the matters required in Rule 5.2. The attached Schedule 2 provides a list of the relevant licence holders in relation to this modification. Section 11A(10) of the Act sets out the meaning of 'relevant licence holder'.

Under the powers set out in section 11A(1)(a) of the Act, we hereby modify ASC E12-J3 and Part A of ASC E12-J4 for the offshore electricity transmission licence held by TC Lincs OFTO Limited in the manner specified in the attached Schedule 1. This decision will take effect from 22 September 2023.

This document is notice of the reasons for the decision to modify the offshore electricity transmission licence held by TC Lincs OFTO Limited as required by section 49A(2) of the Act.



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Duly authorised on behalf of the
Gas and Electricity Markets Authority

28 July 2023

² [Decision on proposed modifications to offshore electricity transmission licences](#)

³ [CMA70 Energy Licence Modification Appeals: Competition and Markets Authority Rules](#)

Schedule 1

We have included the sections of the amended standard licence conditions we have decided to remove or amend below. Deletions are shown in strike through and new text is double underlined. The licence modifications highlighted in green are the subject of a separate decision notice published by the Authority on 28 June 2023 and do not form part of this decision notice.

Amended Standard Condition E12–J3: Restriction of Transmission Revenue: Allowed Pass-through Items

1. The purpose of this condition is to provide for revenue adjustments to reflect certain costs that can be passed through to consumers as part of allowed transmission owner revenue.
2. For the purposes of paragraph 4 of amended standard condition E12–J2 (Restriction of Transmission Revenue: Revenue from Transmission Owner Services) PT_t is derived from the following formula:

$$\frac{PT_t}{IW_t} = \frac{LF_t + RB_t + CEL_t + DC_t + IAT_t + TPD_t + TCA_t + MCA_t + CEA_t + HR_t}{IW_t} \quad (9)$$

where:

LF_t means the licence fee cost adjustment term, whether of a positive or of a negative value, and shall be determined in accordance with paragraph 3.

RB_t means the network rates cost adjustment term, whether of a positive or of a negative value, and shall be determined in accordance with paragraphs 4 and 5.

CEL_t means the Crown Estate Lease cost adjustment term, whether of a positive or negative value, and shall be determined in accordance with paragraph 6.

DC_t means the decommissioning cost adjustment term and shall be determined in accordance with paragraphs 7 to 13A.

IAT_t means the income adjusting event revenue adjustment term, whether of a positive or of a negative value, and shall be determined in accordance with paragraphs 14 to 24.

TPD_t means the temporary physical disconnection payment term and shall be determined in accordance with paragraph 25.

TCA_t means the tender fee cost adjustment term and shall be determined in accordance with paragraph 26.

MCA_t means the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 cost adjustment term and shall be determined in accordance with paragraphs 27 to 33.

CEA_t means the contingent event revenue adjustment term and shall be determined in accordance with paragraphs 34 to 46.

HR_t means the Health Review revenue adjustment term which shall be determined in accordance with paragraphs 47 to 57A.

IW_t means the Investment Works revenue adjustment term which shall be

determined in accordance with paragraphs 58 to 69.

Formula for the Licence Fee Cost Adjustment (LF_t)

3. For the purposes of paragraph 2, LF_t is an amount in respect of licence fee payments and means the amount equal to the payments made by the licensee, in the relevant year t , in accordance with its obligations set out in standard condition A4 (Payments to the Authority).

Formula for the Network Rates Cost Adjustment (RB_t)

4. For the purposes of paragraph 2, RB_t is an amount in respect of networks rates payments and means, subject to paragraph 5 of this condition, the amount equal to the rates payments made by the licensee in the relevant year t .
5. The licensee shall at the time of network rates revaluation use reasonable endeavours to minimise the costs that it will incur in respect of network rates.

Formula for the Crown Estate Lease Cost Adjustment (CEL_t)

6. For the purposes of paragraph 2, CEL_t is an amount equal to the payments made by the licensee to the Crown Estate, in the relevant year t , in accordance with its obligations set out in its Crown Estate Lease in respect of the:
 - (a) annual rent of the seabed; and
 - (b) legal expenses of the Crown Estate for the preparation, negotiation and completion of the Crown Estate Lease.

Formula for the Decommissioning Cost Adjustment (DC_t)

7. Where the licensee considers, and can provide supporting evidence, that there will be additional costs and/or expenses in relation to the licensee's obligations with respect to decommissioning of the transmission system that has arisen due to a change in legislative requirements ("decommissioning legislative requirements") or a Decommissioning Event, then the licensee shall give written notice of this change to the Authority.
8. A notice provided to the Authority under paragraph 7 shall give particulars of:
 - (a) the change in decommissioning legislative requirements and/or the Decommissioning Event to which the notice relates and the reason(s) why the licensee considers that it will face additional costs or expenses in complying with those obligations, and shall demonstrate that such costs and expenses are not included within the allowed transmission owner income;
 - (b) the expected amount of any change in costs and/or expenses that can be demonstrated by the licensee to be caused by the change in decommissioning legislative requirements and/or the Decommissioning Event ~~decommissioning requirements~~ and how the amount of these costs and/or expenses has been calculated;
 - (c) the proposed amount of any allowed revenue adjustment proposed as a consequence of the change in decommissioning legislative requirements and/or the

Decommissioning Event ~~decommissioning requirements~~ and how this allowed revenue adjustment has been calculated; and

- (d) any other analysis or information, which the licensee considers sufficient to enable the Authority to fully assess the change in decommissioning legislative requirements and/or the Decommissioning Event to which the notice relates.
- 9. If the Authority considers that the analysis or information provided in sub-paragraphs 8(a) to 8(d) above is insufficient to enable the Authority to assess whether a change in decommissioning legislative requirements and/or a Decommissioning Event ~~decommissioning requirements~~ has occurred and/or the amount of any allowed income adjustment that might be approved, the Authority can request that the supporting evidence be supplemented with additional information that it considers appropriate. If the Authority requests that the supporting evidence be supplemented with additional information, the licensee shall provide such information to the Authority within not more than one month of the Authority requesting such information, or within such other period as permitted by the Authority.
- 10. A notice referred to in paragraph 7 shall be given as soon as is reasonably practicable after the occurrence of the change in decommissioning legislative requirements and/or the Decommissioning Event, and, in any event, not later than three months after the end of the relevant year in which it occurs.
- 11. The Authority shall determine:
 - (a) whether any or all of the costs and/or expenses given in a notice pursuant to paragraph 7 were caused by the change in decommissioning legislative requirements and/or the Decommissioning Event;
 - (b) if so, whether the amount of the proposed income adjustment ensures that the financial position and performance of the licensee are, insofar as is reasonably practicable, the same as if that change in decommissioning legislative requirements and/or Decommissioning Event had not taken place, and if not, what allowed income adjustment would secure that effect; and
 - (c) the periods, if any, over which the amounts should apply.
- 12. In relation to the relevant year t , the decommissioning cost adjustment term (DC_t) shall be:
 - (a) the value determined by the Authority under paragraph 11 above; or
 - (b) if the Authority has not requested additional information under paragraph 9 and the Authority has not made a determination under paragraph 11 above within three months of the date on which notice given by the licensee was provided to the Authority, the amount of the allowed income adjustment proposed by the licensee in that notice given to the Authority; or
 - (c) if the Authority requests additional information under paragraph 9 and the Authority has not made a determination under paragraph 11 above within three months after receiving the additional information requested, the amount of the allowed income adjustment proposed by the licensee in the notice given to the Authority; or

- (d) in all other cases the value zero, including situations where the Authority has not made a determination under paragraph 11 above within three months of the date on which notice given by the licensee provided to the Authority, or within three months of the date on which the Authority received additional information if requested under paragraph 9, and the Authority has, before the end of the appropriate three month period, informed the licensee that the Authority considers that the analysis or information provided in accordance with paragraphs 8 and/or 9 is insufficient to enable the Authority to assess whether additional costs or expenses have occurred and/or the amount of any allowed income adjustment.
13. The Authority's decision in relation to any notice given under paragraph 7 shall be in writing, shall be copied to the licensee and shall be in the public domain.

13A. In this condition:

"Decommissioning Event" means where the licensee has been required by the appropriate Minister to increase the size of its security in respect of its decommissioning plan to account for the payment of VAT and/or the disallowance of scrap value allowed for under the decommissioning plan and reflected in TRS_t;

"scrap value" means the value allowed for the sale of scrap materials, including metal, to be recovered through the decommissioning plan; and

"decommissioning plan" means the plan for the decommissioning of the Offshore Transmission Assets as provided to the Authority as part of the licensee's ITT submission for the Lincs project and reflected in the ITT financial model submitted by the licensee for the Lincs project.

Formula for the Income Adjusting Event Revenue Adjustment (IAT_t)

14. Where the licensee considers, and can provide supporting evidence that, in respect of relevant year t, there have been costs and/or expenses that have been incurred or saved by an income adjusting event, then the licensee shall give written notice of this event to the Authority.
15. An income adjusting event in relevant year t may arise from any of the following:
- (a) an event or circumstance constituting Force Majeure;
 - (b) an event or circumstance resulting from an amendment to the STC not allowed for when allowed transmission owner revenues of the licensee were determined for the relevant year t; and
 - (c) an event or circumstance other than listed above which, in the opinion of the Authority, is an income adjusting event and is approved by it as such in accordance with paragraph 21 of this licence condition,
- where the event or circumstance has, for relevant year t, increased or decreased costs and/ or expenses by more than £1,000,000 (the "threshold amount").
16. A notice provided to the Authority under paragraph 14 shall give particulars of:
- (a) the event or circumstance to which the notice relates and the reason(s) why the licensee considers this event or circumstance to be an income adjusting event;
 - (b) the amount of any change in costs and/or expenses that can be demonstrated by the

- licensee to have been caused or saved by the event or circumstance and how the amount of these costs and/or expenses has been calculated, including the extent to which the licensee has claimed or intends to claim under other routes of recourse for any costs and/or expenses arising out of or relating to the event or circumstance;
- (c) the amount of any allowed income adjustment proposed as a consequence of that event or circumstance and how this allowed income adjustment has been calculated; and
 - (d) any other analysis or information, which the licensee considers sufficient to enable the Authority and the relevant parties to fully assess the event or circumstance to which the notice relates.
17. If the Authority considers that the analysis or information provided in sub-paragraphs 16(a) to 16 (d) (inclusive) above is insufficient to enable both the Authority and the relevant parties to assess whether an income adjusting event has occurred and/or the amount of any allowed income adjustment that should be approved, the Authority can make a request or requests that the supporting evidence be supplemented with additional information that it considers appropriate. If the Authority requests that the supporting evidence be supplemented with additional information, the licensee shall provide such information to the Authority within one month of the Authority requesting such information or within such extended time as permitted by the Authority.
18. A notice of an income adjusting event shall be given as soon as is reasonably practicable after the occurrence of the income adjusting event, and, in any event, not later than three months after the end of the relevant year in which it occurs.
19. The Authority will make public, excluding any confidential information, any notice of an income adjusting event as soon as is reasonably practicable following its receipt.
20. Any notice submitted to the Authority under paragraph 14 above should clearly identify whether any of the information contained in the notice is of a confidential nature. The Authority shall make the final determination as to confidentiality having regard to:
- (a) the need to exclude from disclosure, so far as is reasonably practicable, information whose disclosure the Authority considers would or might seriously prejudicially affect the interests of a person to which it relates; and
 - (b) the extent to which the disclosure of the information mentioned in sub-paragraph 20(a) is necessary for the purposes of enabling the relevant parties to fully assess the event to which the notice relates.
21. The Authority shall determine (after consultation with the licensee and such other persons as it considers desirable):
- (a) whether any or all of the costs and/or expenses given in a notice pursuant to paragraph 14 were caused or saved by an income adjusting event;
 - (b) whether the event or circumstance has increased or decreased the costs and/or expenses given in the notice pursuant to paragraph 14 by more than the threshold amount;
 - (c) if so:

- i. subject to sub-paragraph (iii), whether the amount of the proposed income adjustment ensures that the financial position and performance of the licensee are, insofar as is reasonably practicable, the same as if that income adjusting event had not taken place, and if not, what allowed income adjustment would secure that effect. Such adjustment shall be:
 - (a) where the income adjusting event relates to an Uninsurable event or circumstance, reduced by:
 - i. if the licence was granted on or before 28 November 2018, the amount of the insurance deductible set out in the invitation to tender questionnaire submitted in respect of this licence pursuant to the tender regulations ; or
 - ii. if the licence was granted after 28 November 2018, either £5 million or the insurance deductible set out in the invitation to tender questionnaire submitted in respect of this licence pursuant to the tender regulations, whichever is greater; and
 - (b) for the avoidance of doubt, reduced by costs and/or expenses caused by the income adjusting event that are recovered by other routes of recourse available to the licensee, including, but not limited to, commercial arrangements; unless, and to the extent that, the Authority has already applied such reductions to a previous income adjustment related to the same event or circumstance as that set out in the notice pursuant to paragraph 14;
 - ii. - subject to sub-paragraph (iii), the periods, if any, over which the amounts should apply; and
 - iii. where it is not yet possible to make a final determination under sub-paragraphs (c)(i) and (c)(ii) above, the Authority may direct a partial amount of income adjustment, if any, pending the final determination of amount, such final determination to be made as soon as is reasonably practicable.
22. In relation to the relevant year t, the allowed income adjustment (IAT_t) shall be:
- (a) the value, or relevant proportion of the value, determined by the Authority under paragraph 21 above; or
 - (b) if the Authority has not requested additional information under paragraph 17 and the Authority has not made a determination under paragraph 21 above within three months (excluding the duration of any consultation under paragraph 21) of the date on which notice of an income adjusting event was provided to the Authority, the amount of the allowed income adjustment proposed as a consequence of the event in the notice given to the Authority under paragraph 14; or
 - (c) if the Authority requests additional information under paragraph 17 and the Authority has not made a determination under paragraph 21 above within three months (excluding the duration of any consultation under paragraph 21) after

receiving the additional information requested, the amount of the allowed income adjustment proposed by the licensee in the notice given to the Authority; or

- (d) in all other cases the value zero, including situations where the Authority has not made a determination under paragraph 21 above within three months (excluding the duration of any consultation under paragraph 21) of the date on which notice of an income adjusting event, provided under paragraph 14, was provided to the Authority, or within three months (excluding the duration of any consultation under paragraph 21) of the date on which the Authority received additional information if requested under paragraph 17, and the Authority has, before the end of that relevant period, informed the licensee that the Authority considers that the analysis or information provided in accordance with paragraphs 16 and/or 17 is insufficient to enable the Authority to assess whether an income adjusting event has occurred and/or the amount of any allowed income adjustment.
23. The Authority's decision in relation to any notice given under paragraph 14 shall be in writing, shall be copied to the licensee and shall be in the public domain.
24. The Authority may amend or revoke an approval of an income adjusting event and allowed income adjustment with the consent of the licensee, following consultation with the licensee and relevant parties, and any such amendment or revocation of any income adjusting event and allowed income adjustment shall be in writing, shall be copied to the licensee and shall be in the public domain.

Formula for the Temporary Physical Disconnection Payment (TPD_t)

25. For the purposes of paragraph 2, TPD_t shall be an amount equal to the interruption payments made by the System Operator in the licensee's transmission system area and charged by the System Operator to the transmission licensee in accordance with the STC within each respective relevant year. Such costs shall include any financing or other costs such as to ensure that the financial position and performance of the licensee is, insofar as is reasonably practicable, the same as if those costs had not been incurred.

Formula for the Tender Fee Cost Adjustment (TCA_t)

26. For the purposes of paragraph 2, TCA_t shall be an amount representing the payments made to the Authority in accordance with The Electricity (Competitive Tender for Offshore Transmission Licences) Regulations 2010 with respect to the to the recovery of the Authority's tender costs. Where the payments have been made in relation to an application for the grant of more than one licence, the licensee shall attribute an appropriate proportion of the relevant payment made to the Authority.

Formula for the Marine and Coastal Act 2009 Cost Adjustment (MCA_t)

27. Where the licensee considers, and can provide supporting evidence, that there will be additional costs and/or expenses in relation to additional obligations imposed on the licensee with respect to the introduction of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 requirements then the licensee may give written notice of these changes to the Authority.
28. A notice provided to the Authority under paragraph 27 shall give particulars of:
- (a) the additional obligations to which the notice relates and the reason(s) why the

- licensee considers that it will face additional costs or expenses in complying with those additional obligations, and demonstrate that such costs or expenses are not included within allowed transmission owner income;
- (b) the expected amount of any change in costs and/or expenses that can be demonstrated by the licensee to be caused by the introduction of those new obligations under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 and how the amount of these costs and/or expenses has been calculated;
 - (c) the proposed amount of any allowed revenue adjustment proposed as a consequence of the licensee incurring additional obligations in relation to the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 requirements and how this allowed revenue adjustment has been calculated; and
 - (d) any other analysis or information, which the licensee considers sufficient to enable the Authority to fully assess the additional obligations to which the notice relates.
29. If the Authority considers that the analysis or information provided in sub-paragraphs 28(a) to (d) above is insufficient to enable the Authority to assess the amount of any allowed income adjustment that might be approved, the Authority can request that the supporting evidence be supplemented with any additional information that it considers appropriate. If the Authority requests that the supporting evidence be supplemented with additional information, the licensee shall provide such information to the Authority within not more than one month of the Authority requesting such information.
30. A notice referred to in paragraph 27 shall be given as soon as is reasonably practicable after the new obligations imposed by the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 take effect, and, in any event, not later than three months after the end of the relevant year in which they occur.
31. The Authority shall determine:
- (a) whether any or all of the costs and/or expenses given in a notice pursuant to paragraph 27 were caused by the introduction of new obligations as a consequence of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009 requirements and not already incorporated within allowed transmission owner revenue;
 - (b) if so, whether the amount of the proposed income adjustment ensures that the financial position and performance of the licensee are, insofar as is reasonably practicable, the same as if that the additional obligations had not been implemented, and if not, what allowed income adjustment would secure that effect; and
 - (c) the periods, if any, over which the amounts should apply.
32. In relation to the relevant year t , the Marine and Coastal Act 2009 cost adjustment (MCA_t) shall be:
- (a) the value determined by the Authority under paragraph 31 above; or
 - (b) if the Authority has not requested additional information under paragraph 29 and the Authority has not made a determination under paragraph 31 above within three months of the date on which notice given by the licensee was provided to the

Authority, the amount of the allowed income adjustment proposed by the licensee in that notice given to the Authority; or

- (c) if the Authority requests additional information under paragraph 29 and the Authority has not made a determination under paragraph 31 above within three months after receiving the additional information requested, the amount of the allowed income adjustment proposed by the licensee in the notice given to the Authority; or
 - (d) in all other cases the value zero, including situations where the Authority has not made a determination under paragraph 31 above within three months of the date on which notice given by the licensee provided to the Authority, or within three months of the date on which the Authority received additional information if requested under paragraph 29, and the Authority has, before the end of the appropriate three month period, informed the licensee that the Authority considers that the analysis or information provided in accordance with paragraphs 28 and/or 29 is insufficient to enable the Authority to assess whether additional costs or expenses has occurred and/or the amount of any allowed income adjustment.
33. The Authority's decision in relation to any notice given under paragraph 27 shall be in writing, shall be copied to the licensee and shall be in the public domain.

Formula for a revenue adjustment in respect of a Contingent Event Adjustment Term (CEA_t)

34. Where the licensee considers, and can provide supporting evidence, that there have been costs and/or expenses that have been or will be incurred by the licensee as a direct result of any contingent event (provided that the first relevant year in which costs/and or expenses are incurred shall not be earlier than relevant year 10), then the licensee shall give written notice of the contingent event to the Authority, in respect of which, the licensee shall not also be entitled to serve a notice in respect of such costs and/or expenses under paragraph 14 of this amended standard condition.
35. Where, in any relevant year, the Authority has notified the licensee in writing of its intention to terminate or revoke this licence and the licensee considers, and can provide supporting evidence that, a contingent event will occur following termination or revocation of this licence and the licensee will incur costs and/or expenses as a direct result of any contingent event, then the licensee shall give written notice of the contingent event to the Authority, in respect of which, the licensee shall not also be entitled to serve a notice in respect of such costs and/or expenses under paragraph 14 of this amended standard condition. The licensee will use all reasonable endeavours to ensure that the supporting evidence provided by the licensee includes a response from the Department of Energy and Climate Change setting out the licensee's decommissioning obligations following the termination or revocation of this licence and the extent to which the Department of Energy and Climate Change has agreed to release the licensee from its decommissioning obligations.
36. A notice provided to the Authority under paragraphs 34 or 35 shall give particulars of:
- (a) the relevant contingent event to which the notice relates;

- (b) the extent to which, if at all, the licensee has claimed or intends to claim for any costs and/or expenses arising out of or relating to the relevant contingent event under other routes of recourse;
 - (c) the amount of any costs and/or expenses, in excess of any costs and/or expenses included within the allowed transmission owner income, that can be demonstrated by the licensee to have been or that will be incurred or suffered in connection with the relevant contingent event and how the amount of these costs and/or expenses has been calculated;
 - (d) the amount of any allowed revenue adjustment proposed as a consequence of the relevant contingent event, whether this allowed revenue adjustment is required for a one-off cost or for ongoing costs and how this allowed revenue adjustment has been calculated; and
 - (e) any other analysis or information, which the licensee considers sufficient to enable the Authority and the relevant parties to fully assess the relevant contingent event to which the notice relates.
37. If the Authority considers that the analysis or information provided in sub-paragraphs 36(a) to 36(e) (inclusive) above is insufficient to enable both the Authority and the relevant parties to assess the occurrence of the relevant contingent event and/or the amount of any allowed revenue adjustment that should be approved, the Authority can request that the supporting evidence be supplemented with additional information that it considers appropriate. If the Authority requests that the supporting evidence be supplemented with additional information, the licensee shall provide such information to the Authority within not more than one month of the Authority requesting the information, or within the period otherwise directed by the Authority.
38. A notice of a contingent event shall be given as soon as is reasonably practicable after the occurrence of the relevant contingent event, and, in any event, not later than three months after the end of the relevant year in which the costs and/or expenses resulting from the contingent event were incurred.
39. The Authority will make public, excluding any confidential information, any notice of a contingent event following its receipt.
40. Any notice provided to the Authority under paragraphs 34 or 35 should clearly identify whether any of the information contained in the notice is of a confidential nature. The Authority shall make the final determination as to confidentiality having regard to:
- (a) the need to exclude from disclosure, so far as is reasonably practicable, information whose disclosure the Authority considers would or might seriously prejudicially affect the interests of a person to which it relates; and
 - (b) the extent to which the disclosure of the information mentioned in sub-paragraph 40(a) is necessary for the purposes of enabling the relevant parties to fully assess the event or circumstance to which the notice relates.
41. The allowed revenue adjustment (CEA_t) for each relevant year t shall be:
- (a) the value determined by the Authority where the Authority determines that a

contingent event has occurred (after consultation with the licensee and such other persons as it considers desirable) in accordance with the following provisions:

- (i) the total amount of allowed revenue adjustment(s) over each relevant year t will allow the licensee to recover any or all of the costs and/or expenses provided in a notice pursuant to paragraph 34 or 35 that:
 - aa) were caused by the relevant contingent event;
 - bb) are in excess of the costs and/or expenses included within the allowed transmission owner income;
 - cc) are net of all costs and/or expenses the licensee has claimed, or intends to claim, under other routes of recourse available to it, including, but not limited to commercial arrangements available to it;
 - (ii) the distribution of the total amount of allowed revenue adjustment(s) over relevant years shall take due account of the impact of any such distribution on the licensee (including consideration of the licensee's financial position as a result of any such distribution) and other relevant parties, and shall ensure that the licensee's financial position is, insofar as is reasonably practicable, the same as if all allowed costs and/or expenses were recovered within the year(s) when the costs were incurred or are expected to be incurred; or
 - (b) the value zero where the Authority determines that a contingent event has not occurred (after consultation with the licensee and such other persons as it considers desirable); or
 - (c) the value proposed by the licensee in the notice provided to the Authority under paragraph 34 or 35 where the Authority has not requested additional information under paragraph 37 and the Authority has not made a determination under sub-paragraphs 41(a) or (b) within three months from the date on which notice of a contingent event was provided to the Authority; or
 - (d) the value proposed by the licensee in the notice provided to the Authority under paragraph 34 or 35 where the Authority requests additional information under paragraph 37 and the Authority has not made a determination under sub-paragraphs 41(a) or (b) within three months after receiving the additional information requested; or
 - (e) the value zero in all other cases, including situations where the Authority has not made a determination under sub-paragraphs 41(a) or (b) within three months of the date on which the notice under paragraph 34 or 35 was provided to the Authority, or within three months of the date on which the Authority received the additional information if requested under paragraph 37, and the Authority has, before the end of the relevant three month period, informed the licensee that the Authority considers that the analysis or information provided in accordance with paragraphs 36 and/or 37 is insufficient to enable the Authority to assess the relevant contingent event and/or the amount of any allowed revenue adjustment.
42. The allowed revenue adjustment in relation to any notice provided under paragraph 34 or 35, set in accordance with paragraph 41, shall be in writing, shall be copied to the

licensee and shall be in the public domain.

43. If, in any relevant year following a revenue adjustment made under sub-paragraphs 41(a), (c) or (d), the circumstances or basis upon which the revenue adjustment made under sub-paragraphs 41(a),(c) or (d) change, such that the revenue adjustment received by the licensee is greater than the amount required to ensure that the licensee complies with its decommissioning obligations pursuant to sub-paragraphs 46(a), (b), (c) (d) or (e), the licensee shall give written notice of the change in circumstances to the Authority no later than three months after the end of the relevant year in which the change in circumstances occurred.
44. If, following notice under paragraph 43, the Authority considers that the licensee has received or will receive a revenue adjustment in excess of the amount required to ensure that the licensee complies with its decommissioning obligations pursuant to sub-paragraphs 46(a), (b), (c), (d) or (e), the Authority may, after consultation with the licensee, issue a determination to adjust the licensee's revenue to recover any revenue adjustments no longer required and/or to adjust the level of any future revenue adjustments made under sub-paragraphs 41(a), (c) or (d).
45. The Authority may revoke an approval of a contingent event and allowed revenue adjustment with the consent of the licensee, following consultation with the licensee and relevant parties, and any such revocation of any contingent event and allowed revenue adjustment shall be in writing, shall be copied to the licensee and shall be in the public domain.
46. In this condition:

“contingent event”

means the licensee being required to undertake, or reserve against the costs of undertaking, decommissioning works which arise out of or in connection with any change required to be made to the licensee's decommissioning plan submitted to the Department of Energy and Climate Change due to obligations pursuant to:

- (a) Part C of Schedule 8 of the agreement for transfer of the transmission assets between the licensee and Lincs Wind Farm Limited dated on or around the effective date of this licence; or
- (b) the Lincs Offshore Wind Farm Cable Zone Agreement between Lincs Wind Farm Limited and King's Lynn Conservancy Board, novated to the licensee on or around the effective date of this licence; or

- (c) the Lincs Offshore Wind Farm Cable Zone Agreement between Lincs Wind Farm Limited and Fenland District Council, novated to the licensee on or around the effective date of this licence; or
- (d) the Lincs Offshore Wind Farm Cable Zone Agreement between Lincs Wind Farm Limited and Port of Boston Limited, novated to the licensee on or around the effective date of this licence; or
- (e) any law or regulation applicable to the licensee in relation to the geographical areas covered by the agreements set out under sub-paragraphs (b) to (d) above.

Formula for a Health Review cost adjustment (HR_t)

- 47. Where the licensee considers that in respect of the relevant year t , there have been costs and/or expenses that have been directly incurred by the licensee in undertaking a Health Review, the licensee shall give written notice of this to the Authority (a “Health Review Notice”).
- 48. A Health Review Notice provided under paragraph 47 shall give particulars (including supporting evidence) of:
 - (a) the amount of any costs and/or expenses that the licensee can demonstrate have been directly incurred as a result of undertaking the Health Review and how these costs and/or expenses have been calculated;
 - (b) the amount of any revenue adjustment proposed as a consequence of undertaking the Health Review and how this proposed revenue adjustment has been calculated; and
 - (c) any other analysis or information, which the licensee considers necessary to enable the Authority to fully assess the proposed revenue adjustment.
- 49. If the Authority considers that the analysis or information provided in sub-paragraphs 48(a) to 48(c) above is insufficient to enable it to assess the amount of any proposed revenue adjustment, the Authority may request that the supporting evidence be supplemented with additional information that it considers appropriate. If the Authority requests additional information, the licensee shall provide such information to the Authority within one (1) month of the Authority’s request, or within such other period as directed by the Authority.

50. Unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Authority, a Health Review Notice shall be given as soon as is reasonably practicable after completion of the Health Review and, in any case, not later than three (3) months after the end of the relevant year in which the Health Review is completed.
51. The Authority shall make public, excluding any confidential information, the Health Review Notice as soon as reasonably practicable following its receipt.
52. Any Health Review Notice should clearly identify whether any of the information contained in the notice is of a confidential nature. The Authority shall make the final determination as to confidentiality having regard to:
- (a) the need to exclude from disclosure, so far as is reasonably practicable, information whose disclosure the Authority considers would or might seriously prejudicially affect the interests of a person to which it relates; and
 - (b) the extent to which the disclosure of the information mentioned in sub-paragraph 52(a) is necessary for the purposes of enabling the relevant parties to fully assess the Health Review to which the notice relates.
53. The Authority shall determine (after consultation with the licensee and relevant parties) whether:
- (a) any or all of the costs and/or expenses set out in the Health Review Notice can be directly attributed to undertaking the Health Review;
 - (b) such costs and/or expenses were incurred economically and efficiently; and
 - (c) the amount of the proposed revenue adjustment ensures that the financial position and performance of the licensee are, insofar as is reasonably practicable, the same as if the Health Review had not been undertaken and if not, the Authority shall determine what revenue adjustment shall secure that effect (subject always to any deductions made under sub-paragraphs 53(a) and 53(b)).
54. In relation to any relevant year t, the allowed revenue adjustment (HR_t) shall be:
- (a) the value determined by the Authority under paragraph 53 above or as modified under paragraph 57; or
 - (b) the amount of the proposed revenue adjustment as set out in the Health Review Notice where:
 - (i) the Authority has not requested additional information under paragraph 49 and the Authority has not made a determination under paragraph 53 above within three (3) months of the date of receipt of the Health Review Notice by the Authority; or
 - (ii) the Authority has requested additional information pursuant to paragraph 49 and has not made a determination within three (3) months, or such other period that the Authority notifies the licensee, of the date on which the additional information requested was received by the Authority; or
 - (c) in all other cases zero, including where:
 - (i) the licensee has failed to provide additional information requested by the

Authority in accordance with paragraph 49; or

- (ii) the Authority has not made a determination under paragraph 53 above within three (3) months of the date on which the Health Review Notice was provided to the Authority, or if additional information has been requested by the Authority under paragraph 49, within (3) months from the date of receipt by the Authority of the additional information, and where in either case, the Authority has, before the end of the relevant three (3) month period, informed the licensee that the Authority considers that the analysis or information provided in accordance with paragraph 48 or the additional information provided in response to a request by the Authority under paragraph 49 is insufficient to enable the Authority to assess the amount of any allowed revenue adjustment.

- 55. The allowed revenue adjustment in relation to a Health Review Notice, as determined by the Authority under paragraph 53 shall be set out in writing, shall be copied to the licensee and shall be in the public domain.
- 56. The licensee shall inform the Authority in writing of any change in circumstance which has a material impact on the determination under paragraph 53.
- 57. The Authority may modify or revoke a determination made under paragraph 53, following consultation with the licensee and relevant parties, and any such modification or revocation shall be in writing, shall be copied to the licensee and shall be in the public domain.

57A In this condition:

“Health Review”

means a review of the condition of the Offshore Transmission Assets to be carried out by the licensee, the scope and timing of which shall be approved in writing in advance with the Authority in accordance with guidance issued by the Authority (as amended from time to time).

Formula for an Investment Works cost adjustment (IW_t)

- 58. Where the licensee considers that in respect of the relevant year t , there have been costs and/or expenses that have been directly incurred by the licensee as a result of carrying out Investment Works, the licensee shall give written notice of this to the Authority (an “Investment Works Notice”).
- 59. An Investment Works Notice provided under paragraph 58 shall give particulars (including supporting evidence) of:
 - (a) the amount of any costs and/or expenses that the licensee can demonstrate have been directly incurred as a result of carrying out the Investment Works and how these costs and/or expenses have been calculated;
 - (b) the amount of any revenue adjustment proposed as a consequence of the Investment Works and how this proposed revenue adjustment has been calculated; and
 - (c) any other analysis or information, which the licensee considers necessary to

enable the Authority to fully assess the proposed revenue adjustment.

60. If the Authority considers that the analysis or information provided in sub-paragraphs 59(a) to 59(c) above is insufficient to enable it to assess the amount of any proposed revenue adjustment, the Authority may request that the supporting evidence be supplemented with additional information that it considers appropriate. If the Authority requests additional information, the licensee shall provide such information to the Authority within one (1) month of the Authority's request, or within such other period as directed by the Authority.
61. Unless otherwise agreed in writing with the Authority, an Investment Works Notice shall be given as soon as is reasonably practicable after practical completion of the Investment Works and, in any case, not later than three (3) months after the end of the relevant year in which practical completion of the Investment Works is achieved.
62. The Authority shall make public, excluding any confidential information, the Investment Works Notice as soon as reasonably practicable following its receipt.
63. Any Investment Works Notice should clearly identify whether any of the information contained in the notice is of a confidential nature. The Authority shall make the final determination as to confidentiality having regard to:
 - (a) the need to exclude from disclosure, so far as is reasonably practicable, information whose disclosure the Authority considers would or might seriously prejudicially affect the interests of a person to which it relates; and
 - (b) the extent to which the disclosure of the information mentioned in sub-paragraph 63(a) is necessary for the purposes of enabling the relevant parties to fully assess the Investment Works to which the notice relates.
64. The Authority shall determine (after consultation with the licensee and relevant parties) whether:
 - (a) any or all of the costs and/or expenses set out in the Investment Works Notice can be directly attributed to the Investment Works;
 - (b) such costs and/or expenses were incurred economically and efficiently; and
 - (c) the amount of the proposed revenue adjustment ensures that the financial position and performance of the licensee are, insofar as is reasonably practicable, the same as if the Investment Works had not been carried out and if not, the Authority shall determine what revenue adjustment shall secure that effect (subject always to any deductions made under sub-paragraphs 64(a) and 64(b)).
65. In relation to any relevant year t, the allowed revenue adjustment (IW_t) shall be:
 - (a) the value determined by the Authority under paragraph 64 above or as modified under paragraph 68; or
 - (b) the amount of the proposed revenue adjustment as set out in the Investment Works Notice where:
 - (i) the Authority has not requested additional information under paragraph 60 and the Authority has not made a determination under paragraph 64 above within three (3) months of the date of receipt of the Investment Works

Notice by the Authority; or

- (ii) the Authority has requested additional information pursuant to paragraph 60 and has not made a determination within three (3) months, or such other period that the Authority notifies the licensee, of the date on which the additional information requested was received by the Authority; or

(c) in all other cases zero, including where:

- (i) the licensee has failed to provide additional information requested by the Authority in accordance with paragraph 60 above; or
- (ii) the Authority has not made a determination under paragraph 64 above within three (3) months of the date on which the Investment Works Notice was provided to the Authority, or if additional information has been requested by the Authority under paragraph 60, within (3) months from the date of receipt by the Authority of the additional information, and where in either case, the Authority has, before the end of the relevant three (3) month period, informed the licensee that the Authority considers that the analysis or information provided in accordance with paragraph 59 or the additional information provided in response to a request by the Authority under paragraph 60 is insufficient to enable the Authority to assess the amount of any allowed revenue adjustment.

- 66. The allowed revenue adjustment in relation to an Investment Works Notice, as determined by the Authority under paragraph 64 shall be set out in writing, shall be copied to the licensee and shall be in the public domain.
- 67. The licensee shall inform the Authority in writing of any change in circumstance which has a material impact on the determination under paragraph 64.
- 68. The Authority may modify or revoke a determination made under paragraph 64, following consultation with the licensee and relevant parties, and any such modification or revocation shall be in writing, shall be copied to the licensee and shall be in the public domain.
- 69. In this condition:

“Investment Works”

means the works required to be undertaken by the licensee on the Offshore Transmission Assets as identified by the Health Review, and approved by the Authority in writing in advance, in accordance with the guidance issued by the Authority (as amended from time to time) to ensure that the Offshore Transmission Assets can continue to operate for such additional period as determined by the Authority.

Amended Standard Condition E12–J4: Restriction of Transmission Revenue: Annual Revenue Adjustments

1. The purpose of this condition is to provide for adjustments to allowed transmission revenue in relation to the licensee's transmission system performance and this condition shall not take effect until the transmission system to which this licence relates has been transferred to the licensee.
2. For the purposes of paragraph 4 of amended standard condition E12– J2 (Restriction of Transmission Revenue: Revenue from Transmission Owner Services), PA_t is derived from the following formula:

$$PA_t = AI_t + ICA_t \quad (10)$$

where:

AI_t means the transmission system availability incentive, whether of a positive or of a negative value, as derived from the formula set out in paragraph 6;

ICA_t means the incremental capacity incentive adjustment term as derived from the formula set out in paragraph 17.

Part A: Transmission System Availability Incentive

3. The licensee shall, in providing transmission owner services, use reasonable endeavours to make its transmission system available to the System Operator in accordance with standard condition E15 (Obligation to provide transmission services) and Good Industry Practice to minimise the effect and duration of any transmission service reduction.
4. Where a transmission service reduction applies to a part of the licensee's transmission system and the licensee reasonably expects that the duration of such a transmission service reduction will apply for a period of more than 21 days then the licensee shall within 7 days of the transmission service reduction occurring notify the Authority in writing of the transmission service reduction including:
 - (a) details of the transmission service reduction on the transmission services the licensee provides to the System Operator;
 - (b) the cause of the transmission service reduction and whether, in the licensee's opinion, the transmission service reduction has been caused (in whole or in part) by an exceptional event;
 - (c) any interim work or other actions which are being undertaken to minimise the effect of the transmission service reduction; and
 - (d) indicate the timescale in which the licensee reasonably considers that the transmission service reduction will be resolved together with supporting information that shall include (without limitation) any Service Restoration Proposal agreed with the System Operator in accordance with the STC.
5. Where, in the incentive period y , the total effect and duration of all transmission service reductions, excluding those caused (in whole or in part) by an exceptional event:
 - (a) results in transmission system availability being, on average, below 80 per cent in that incentive period; or
 - (b) results in transmission system availability being, on average, below 85 per cent when

considering the 24 month period of the incentive period y and the incentive period y-1;

then the licensee shall provide a written statement to the Authority, from an authorised director of the licensee, within three months of the end of incentive period y, explaining how the steps the licensee has taken have discharged the obligations in paragraph 3.

6. For the purposes of paragraph 2, the term AI_t is derived from the following formula for all relevant years:

$$AI_t = BR_{t-1} \times AF_y \quad (11)$$

where $y = t$

except in cases where asset transfer occurs between 1st January and 31st March (inclusive), where:

in relevant year $t = 2$, $AI_2 = 0$; and

(12)

in relevant year $t = 23$ it is derived from the following formula:

$$AI_{23} = \frac{BR_{21}}{PR_{21}} \times PR_1 \times AF_{23} \quad (13)$$

where:

BR_t means base revenue calculated in accordance with the formula specified in paragraph 4 of amended standard condition E12–J2 (Restriction of Transmission Revenue: Revenue from Transmission Owner Services); and

PR_t means the proportion of revenue calculated in accordance with the formula specified in paragraph 4 of amended standard condition E12–J2 (Restriction of Transmission Revenue: Revenue from Transmission Owner Services); and

AF_y means the transmission system availability factor, which in any relevant year before the commencement relevant year shall take the value zero and in each subsequent relevant year is the revenue adjustment factor based on the licensee's performance against the transmission system availability incentive during incentive period y. This converts percentage unavailability to percentage revenue impact, and is derived from the following formula:

$$AF_y = (CCAP_y - PO_y) \times \frac{RCAP}{PCAP_y} \quad (14)$$

where:

$CCAP_y$ means the annual credit availability cap. This is the maximum unavailability in percentage terms of the system that can cause a positive impact on the OFTO base revenue in any given year. This is calculated for all incentive periods as:

$$CCAP_y = 2\% \times PR_{t-1} \quad (15)$$

where $t = y$

except in cases where asset transfer occurs between 1st January and 31st March (inclusive), where in incentive period $y=23$ it is derived from the following formula:

$$CCAP_y = 2\% \times PR_1 \quad (16)$$

PO_y means the paid out unavailability. This is the total unavailability in incentive period y that affects the revenue stream in relevant year t and is calculated as:

$$PO_y = \text{minimum} \begin{cases} CCAP_y + PCAP_y \\ BF_y + AU_y \end{cases} \quad (17)$$

where:

BF_y means the brought forward unavailability which takes the value of zero in the first year. In subsequent years, it is calculated in accordance with the formula below

$$BF_y = CF_{y-1} \quad (18)$$

where:

CF_y means the carried forward unavailability. This is the total unavailability earned in previous years but not yet paid out and is calculated as:

$$CF_y = AU_y + BF_y - PO_y \quad (19)$$

$RCAP$ means the annual revenue impact cap. This is set at 10 per cent.

$PCAP_y$ means the annual penalty availability cap. This is the maximum unavailability of the system below the target availability in percentage point terms that can cause a negative impact on the OFTO base revenue in any given year. This is calculated for all incentive periods as

$$PCAP_y = 4\% \times PR_{t-1} \quad (20)$$

where $t = y$

except in cases where asset transfer occurs between 1st January and 31st March (inclusive), where in incentive period $y = 23$ it is derived from the following formula:

$$PCAP_{23} = 4\% \times PR_1 \quad (21)$$

7. For the purposes of paragraph 6, the accrued unavailability (AU_y) shall be calculated in accordance with the following formula:

$$AU_y = \text{minimum} \begin{cases} TCAP_y - BF_y \\ TU_y \end{cases} \quad (22)$$

where:

$TCAP_y$ means the total unavailability cap in percentage terms. This is the total annual unavailability that can affect the OFTO revenue stream over five years. This is calculated as:

$$TCAP_y = CCAP_y + \sum_y^{y+4} PCAP_y \quad (23)$$

TU_y means the total unavailability of the transmission system in year y in percentage terms and is calculated as:

$$TU_y = \frac{WU_y}{MA_y} \quad (24)$$

where:

MA_y is the maximum weighted annual availability in MWh and is calculated as:

$$MA_y = \sum_{i=1}^{12} (TC_{i,y} \times W_{i,y}) \quad (25)$$

where:

$TC_{i,y}$ means the maximum transmission system availability in month i that is required to be delivered being the minimum of:

- (i) the aggregate Transmission Entry Capacity; and
- (ii) the maximum system availability in month i that is capable of being delivered by the licensee by providing transmission services to the Normal Capability Limits;

both expressed as number of MWh that could be achieved if the available capacity were fully utilised.

$W_{i,y}$ is the monthly weighting term, expressed in percentage terms, the monthly values of which are given as performance incentive parameters in Annex A of Amended Standard Condition E12–J4 (Restriction of Transmission Revenue: Annual Revenue Adjustments)

WU_y means the weighted annual unavailability expressed in MWh and is calculated as:

$$WU_y = \sum_{i=1}^{12} MWU_{i,y} \quad (26)$$

where:

$MWU_{i,y}$ means the monthly weighted unavailability and is calculated as:

$$MWU_{i,y} = RU_{i,y} \times W_{i,y} \quad (27)$$

where:

$RU_{i,y}$ is the reported unavailability in MWh which is calculated as

$$RU_{i,y} = TC_{i,y} - RSIP_{i,y} \quad (28)$$

where:

RSIP_{i,y} means the reported system incentive performance (expressed as the number of MWh the system was capable of delivering) in respect of month i in incentive period y derived in accordance with paragraph 8 to 12.

8. For the purposes of this amended standard condition "reported system incentive performance (RSIP_{i,y})" shall mean, in month i of incentive period y, the extent to which the licensee made transmission services available to the System Operator for the purposes of conveying, or affecting the flow of, electricity and reported system incentive performance (RSIP_{i,y}) shall be calculated as the maximum transmission system availability in month i (TC_{i,y}) less the effect, also in month i, of any transmission service reduction that applied to licensee's transmission system, subject to the following exclusions:

- (a) any reduction in transmission system availability resulting from a de-energisation or disconnection of a user's equipment under an event of default as defined in the CUSC;
- (b) any reduction in transmission system availability resulting from a user's request for disconnection in accordance with the Grid Code;
- (c) any reduction in transmission system availability resulting from emergency de-energisation by a user as defined in the CUSC; ~~and~~
- (d) any reduction in transmission system availability resulting from an emergency de-energisation or disconnection of a user's equipment necessary to ensure compliance with the Electricity Safety, Quality and Continuity Regulations 2002, as amended from time to time, or to otherwise ensure public safety;~~;~~
- (e) any reduction in transmission system availability during the Relevant Period, subject to the licensee ensuring compliance with paragraph 3, solely as a result of divers operating on or near the transmission system if required during completion of works undertaken in accordance with Part C of Schedule 8 of the agreement for transfer of the transmission assets between the licensee and Lincs Wind Farm Limited dated on or around the effective date of this licence.

For the purpose of this sub-paragraph, unless otherwise directed by the Authority, the Relevant Period is 4 years from the date of asset transfer or until the completion of works undertaken in accordance with Part C of Schedule 8 of the agreement for transfer of the transmission assets between the licensee and Lincs Wind Farm Limited dated on or around the effective date of this licence, whichever is the sooner;~~;~~

- (f) any reduction in transmission system availability during the Relevant Period, subject to the licensee ensuring compliance with paragraph 3, solely as a result of measures undertaken by a third party to replace bursting discs on the 400kV GIS equipment.

For the purpose of this sub-paragraph, unless otherwise directed by the Authority, the Relevant Period is 5 years from the date of asset transfer or until the replacement of the bursting discs on the 400kV GIS equipment is complete, whichever is the sooner;~~;~~

- (g) any reduction in transmission system availability during the Relevant Period, subject

to the licensee ensuring compliance with paragraph 3, solely as a result of measures undertaken in connection with obtaining the licensee's Final Section K Notification ('FSKN') as defined in the STC, in respect of voltage control and reactive capability.

For the purpose of this sub-paragraph, unless otherwise directed by the Authority, the Relevant Period is 30 months from the date of asset transfer or until the FSKN is received by the licensee, whichever is the sooner:-

- (h) any reduction in transmission system availability directly resulting from undertaking the Health Review (as defined in paragraph 57A of amended standard condition E12-J3 (Restriction of transmission revenue: Allowed pass-through items)), provided that the cumulative total of such period or periods of reduction does not exceed 7 calendar days and subject to the licensee acting in compliance with any directions given by the Authority and guidance issued in relation to the Health Review to manage the impact of the Health Review on the availability of services provided to the System Operator, including using its best endeavours to co-ordinate any reduction in transmission system availability as a result of undertaking the Health Review with any planned outages;
- (i) any reduction in transmission system availability required as a result of Investment Works (as defined in paragraph 69 of amended standard condition E12-J3 (Restriction of transmission revenue: Allowed pass-through items)), provided that the cumulative total of such period or periods of reduction does not exceed 7 calendar days and subject to the licensee acting in compliance with any directions given by the Authority and guidance issued in relation to the Investment Works to manage the impact of the Investment Works on the availability of services provided to the System Operator, including using its best endeavours to co-ordinate any reduction in transmission system availability as a result of undertaking the Investment Works with any planned outages; and
- (j) any reduction in transmission system availability directly resulting from undertaking a Health Review or Investment Works which exceeds a cumulative total of 7 calendar days in either case, provided that:
 - (i) the licensee provides details to the Authority of the reduction in transmission system availability, the reasons why the reduction has exceeded a total of 7 calendar days and the duration of the reduction in transmission system availability;
 - (ii) the licensee provides to the Authority any additional information or analysis the Authority requests; and
 - (iii) the extent of the exclusion shall be directed by the Authority and shall be based on the extent to which the Authority is satisfied that the licensee has acted in accordance with Good Industry Practice, any directions given by the Authority and guidance issued in relation to the Health Review and/or Investment Works, to manage the impact of the Health Review and/or Investment Works on the availability of services provided to the System Operator, including using its best endeavours to co-ordinate any reduction in transmission system availability as a result of undertaking the Health Review and/or Investment Works with any planned outages.

9. The Authority shall, by written notice to the licensee, direct that, for the purpose of calculating the reported system incentive performance ($RSIP_{i,y}$) that the value of reported system incentive performance ($RSIP_{i,y}$) shall be adjusted to the extent specified in that direction to offset the impact of the exceptional event, where:
- (a) the licensee considers that any event on the licensee's transmission system that causes a transmission service reduction has been wholly or partially caused by an exceptional event;
 - (b) the licensee has notified the Authority of such an event within 14 days of its occurrence;
 - (c) the licensee has provided details of the reduction in system availability that the licensee considers resulted from the exceptional event (including the anticipated duration of any reduction in availability) and such further information, if any, as the Authority may require in relation to such an exceptional event; and
 - (d) the Authority is satisfied that the event notified to it under sub-paragraph (b) is an exceptional event
10. For the purpose of paragraph 9, the adjustment directed by the Authority shall be based on the extent to which the Authority is satisfied that the licensee had taken reasonable steps, consistent with Good Industry Practice, to manage the impact of the event on the availability of services provided to the System Operator in accordance with standard condition E15 (Obligation to provide transmission services) (both in anticipation of the event and after the event has occurred).
11. A direction under paragraph 9 shall not have effect unless, before it is made, the Authority has given notice to the licensee:
- (a) setting out the terms of the proposed direction, including the extent to which the value of reported system availability performance for month i , and each subsequent month, should be increased to offset the impact of the exceptional event;
 - (b) stating the reasons, having regard to the information provided by the licensee and Good Industry Practice, why it proposes to issue the direction; and
 - (c) specifying the period (not being less than 14 days from the date of the notice) within which the licensee may make representations or objections
- and the Authority has considered such representations or objections and given reasons for its decision.
12. The licensee may request that a direction issued by the Authority pursuant to paragraph 9 be modified, where the licensee considers that:
- (a) there has been a material change to the information previously provided by the licensee in relation to the exceptional event specified in the previous direction; and
 - (b) it has notified the Authority of the material change, no later than 3 months after the end of the incentive period to which it relates.

Part B: Transmission System Availability Incentive: Supplementary Provisions

13. The licensee shall, by no later than 14 days after the end of each three month period (being the three months ending either 31 March, 30 June, 30 September and 31 December),

submit to the Authority a report setting out the reported system incentive performance (RSIP_{i,y}) for each of the months within the three month period and the report should include the calculation of RSIP_{i,y} and provide a commentary in relation to those months where reported system incentive performance (RSIP_{i,y}) has fallen below the monthly incentive target (Target Availability x TC_{i,y}).

14. The licensee shall, by no later than sixteen years after this condition comes into force, procure, to the satisfaction of the Authority, financial security for the purposes of covering future financial liabilities up to and including the closing relevant year.
15. For the purposes of paragraph 14, the licensee shall, by no later than 3 months before the date that is sixteen years after this condition comes into force, provide to the Authority a notice specifying:
 - (a) the amount of financial security that the licensee intends to procure, being no less than 50 per cent of base transmission revenue;
 - (b) the form of the financial security that the licensee intends to procure;
 - (c) the independent financial institution with which the financial security is to be lodged; and
 - (d) the detailed terms on which the security can be called upon to meet the financial liabilities in respect of the Transmission System Availability Incentive.
16. The Authority shall, within 2 months of receiving the notice specified in paragraph 15, indicate to the licensee whether the proposed arrangements for financial security (as specified in the notice) would be satisfactory. In the event that the Authority considers that the financial security arrangements proposed by the licensee are not satisfactory, the Authority shall set out in writing to the licensee the reasons why the proposed financial security arrangements are not satisfactory and those areas where modifications would be required. The Authority shall also set out the timescales within which the licensee is required to provide its amended proposal.

Part C: Incremental Capacity Incentive Adjustment

17. For the purposes of paragraph 2, the incremental capacity incentive adjustment term (ICA_t) is derived from the following formula:

$$ICA_t = ICUA_t + (ACA_t \times RIT_t) \quad (29)$$

where:

ICUA_t means the incremental capacity utilisation adjustment, as derived from the formula set out in paragraph 18; and

ACA_t means the **additional capacity incremental** investment adjustment, which for the purposes of this licence shall take the value zero, but may be changed in accordance with paragraph 19.

RIT_t means the revenue indexation adjustment term calculated in accordance with the formula specified in paragraph 4 of amended standard condition E12-J2 (Restriction of Transmission Revenue: Revenue from Transmission Owner Services).

18. For the purposes of paragraph 17, the incremental capacity utilisation adjustment term

(ICUA_t) shall be derived in accordance with the following formula:

$$ICUA_t = \text{maximum} \begin{cases} 0 \\ ICRD_t \times ICU_t \end{cases} \quad (30)$$

where:

ICRD_t means the incremental capacity revenue driver (in £/kW) and shall take the value as defined by the formula:

$$ICRD_t = \frac{BR_t}{CCR \times PF} \times RCF \quad (31)$$

where:

CCR means the composite circuit rating based on the thermal rating of the offshore transmission cable circuit and shall take the value 270,000 kVA.

PF means the power factor (kW to kVA ratio) associated with the offshore transmission cable circuit and shall take the value of 0.95.

RCF means the risk compensation factor and shall take the value 0.31.

ICU_t means the incremental capacity utilisation term (expressed in kW) representing the amount of capacity that the licensee has agreed to make and has made available to the System Operator in accordance with standard condition E17.

19. For the purposes of paragraph 17, the **additional capacity incremental** investment adjustment term (ACA_t) shall be determined by the Authority in accordance with paragraphs 20 to 22 and shall otherwise take the value zero.
20. Where the licensee has entered into an agreement with the System Operator in accordance with standard condition E17 (Obligations in relation to offers for connection etc) **to provide additional capacity** it shall:
 - (a) submit a notice in writing to the Authority, together with supporting evidence, setting out the revenue adjustment that it considers is required to remunerate the costs that it will incur in **providing that additional capacity, complying with that agreement**, which shall include (without limitation):
 - (i) the amount of additional capacity **(if any)** that the licensee is contractually required to make available to the System Operator;
 - (ii) the capital costs that it expects to incur in **providing the additional capacity, complying with that agreement**, demonstrating that such costs are not more than 20 per cent of the original investment cost incurred by the licensee in respect of the licensee's transmission system in the commencement relevant year;
 - (iii) the anticipated additional costs of operation and maintenance **that are expected to be incurred as a consequence of providing the additional capacity entering into that agreement**; and
 - (iv) the costs of financing the additional investment in the licensee's transmission system.
 - (b) provide such additional information as the Authority may require to make a

determination of the appropriate revenue adjustment in accordance with paragraph 22.

21. A notice referred to in paragraph 20 shall be given as soon as is reasonably practicable after the licensee has entered an agreement with the System Operator in accordance with standard condition E17 (Obligations in relation to offers for connection etc), and, in any event, not later than three months after the end of the relevant year in which it occurs.
22. The Authority shall determine:
 - (a) the revenue adjustment (ACA_t) that would be required to remunerate the efficient costs that the Authority considers to have been reasonably incurred by the licensee;
 - (b) the relevant year from which the adjustment shall apply.
23. For the purposes of paragraph 22, in determining an appropriate adjustment:
 - (a) the Authority may request that the licensee provide such information that it reasonably requires for the purposes of making its determination. The licensee is required to provide such information within the timescales set out by the Authority;
 - (b) the Authority shall, following consultation with interested parties, notify the licensee in writing of its proposed determination of the **incremental investment** adjustment to allowed transmission owner revenue (ACA_t);
 - (c) the licensee shall have 28 days, **or such extended time as permitted by the Authority,** within which to make representations to the Authority's proposed determination that has been notified to it pursuant to sub-paragraph (b);
 - (d) the Authority, having regard to any representations made by the licensee and not withdrawn, shall propose a modification to the ACA_t pursuant to sections 11A to 11F of the Act. The proposed modification shall only take effect where made by the Authority in accordance with sections 11A to 11F of the Act.
24. In this condition:

"financial security"

means a deposit of money, a performance bond or bank guarantee, an insurance policy or a letter of credit.

"Good Industry Practice"

means in relation to any undertaking and any circumstances, the exercise of that degree of skill, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced operator engaged in the same type of undertaking under the same or similar circumstances.

"normal capability limits"

means the technical limits that would normally apply to the provision of its transmission services in accordance with the STC as at the date this condition comes into force.

"service restoration proposal"

means a transmission owner's proposal, in accordance with the STC as at the date this condition comes into force, in reasonable but not excessive detail for, as appropriate:

- (a) any interim works or other actions which are able to be undertaken by such transmission owner to minimise the effect of the services reduction or services reduction risk and including, where relevant, any revised operational capability limits that would apply during the period of such services reduction or services reduction risk;
- (b) restoring the transmission services such that they are provided in accordance with their services capability specification (and to their normal capability limits); and
- (c) otherwise removing, mitigating or dealing with a services reduction risk, including, in the case of sub-paragraphs (b) and (c), where necessary and appropriate, by proposing to amend the content of its services capability specification (including any normal capability limits).

"Transmission Entry Capacity"

means the figure specified as such for a connection site in a transmission owner construction agreement in accordance with the STC as at the date this condition comes into force.

Schedule 2: Relevant licence holders

TC Barrow OFTO Limited
TC Beatrice OFTO Limited
Diamond Transmission Partners BBE Limited
TC Dudgeon OFTO plc
Diamond Transmission Partners Galloper Limited
Greater Gabbard OFTO plc
TC Gunfleet Sands OFTO Limited
Gwynt y Môr OFTO plc
Diamond Transmission Partners Hornsea One Limited
Humber Gateway OFTO Limited
TC Lincs OFTO Limited
Blue Transmission London Array Limited
TC Ormonde OFTO Limited
Diamond Transmission Partners RB Limited
TC Rampion OFTO Limited
TC Robin Rigg OFTO Limited
Blue Transmission Sheringham Shoal Limited
Thanet OFTO Limited
Blue Transmission Walney 1 Limited
Blue Transmission Walney 2 Limited
Diamond Transmission Partners Walney Extension Limited
TC Westernmost Rough OFTO Limited
WoDS Transmission plc