

To:

Electricity North West Limited

Northern Powergrid: Northeast

Northern Powergrid: Yorkshire

SP Energy Networks: Distribution

SP Energy Networks: Manweb

Scottish and Southern Energy Power Distribution: Scottish Hydro Electric Power Distribution

Scottish and Southern Energy Power Distribution: Southern Electric Power Distribution

UK Power Networks: London Power Networks

UK Power Networks: South East Power Networks

UK Power Networks: Eastern Power Networks

National Grid Electricity Distribution (West Midlands) plc

National Grid Electricity Distribution (East Midlands) plc

National Grid Electricity Distribution (South Wales) plc

National Grid Electricity Distribution (South West) plc

Electricity Act 1989

Section 11A (2)

Standard conditions of the Electricity Distribution Licence

Notice of statutory consultation on a proposal to modify Standard Licence Condition 31F (Requirements Relating to Electric Vehicle Recharging Points) of the Electricity Distribution Licence.

The Gas and Electricity Markets Authority ('the Authority')¹ proposes to modify the electricity distribution licence held by each of the above licensees, granted or treated as granted under 6(1)(c) of the Electricity Act 1989 by modifying the existing Standard Licence Condition 31F (Requirements relating to Electric Vehicle Recharging Points)

1. We are proposing this modification to remove the Provider of Last Resort provisions from Standard Licence Condition 31F, and in doing so distribution network operators will no longer be permitted to operate electric vehicle charge points as a backstop

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

where there is no other provider following a tendering process and no other parties could do so at a reasonable cost.

2. The reason and effects of the proposed modifications, together with the full text of the proposed modifications, are published alongside this notice at www.ofgem.gov.uk. The documents are also available from foi@ofgem.gov.uk. In addition, further details and background on these proposed changes are set out in the Electric Vehicle Provider of Last Resort informal licence drafting consultation.²
3. Any representations with respect to the proposed licence modifications must be made on or before 1 December 2023 to: Atalla Buretta, Office of Gas and Electricity Markets, Commonwealth House, 32 Albion Street, Glasgow, G1 1LH or by email to RIIOED2@ofgem.gov.uk
4. 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.
5. If we decide to make the proposed modifications, they will take effect not less than 56 days after the decision is published.



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Steven McMahon

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Duly Authorised on behalf of the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority

31st October 2023

² [Informal Consultation on removal of the EV PoLR provision from SLC 31F | Ofgem](#)