

Offshore Transmission Owners (OFTOs), preferred bidders and other interested parties

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Dear colleague,

Publication of the regulatory instructions and guidance described by Amended Standard Condition E12 – D1 of the offshore transmission licence for licences granted in tender round 7 (TR7)

On the 1st of March 2024 we invited feedback on our proposed regulatory instructions and guidance (RIGs) for TR7 projects. We set out the proposed RIGs, the reasons for publishing the RIGs, and specified to which licensees these RIGs will be applicable.

We did not receive any responses to our letters inviting feedback and therefore the RIGs will be published as proposed.

These RIGs apply to the licensees of a licence granted in TR7. We have published the Direction modifying the RIGs as well as the modified RIGs alongside this letter. The effective date for the modifications to the RIGs is the date of publication. Each OFTO for TR7 projects will be obliged to report as required by the new RIGs from the date on which the RIGs are published.

The existing RIGs in respect of licences granted under tender rounds 1-6 (TR1-TR6) continue to apply to licensees of these tender rounds. Separate RIGs are required for different tender round projects as the licence terms can differ.

For more information regarding this letter or the Direction, please contact in the first instance Ilona Groenewald, OFTO Team - Networks, by email on Ilona.Groenewald@ofgem.gov.uk.

Yours faithfully

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For and on behalf of the Authority