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To:

**National Gas Transmission plc
Cadent Gas Limited
Northern Gas Networks Limited
Scotland Gas Networks plc
Southern Gas Networks plc
Wales & West Utilities Limited**

**Gas Act 1986
Section 23(2)**

**Notice of statutory consultation on a proposal to modify the Special Conditions
and Standard Special Conditions of the Gas Transporter licence held by the
licensees listed above**

1. The Gas and Electricity Markets Authority ('the Authority')¹ proposes to modify the Special Conditions and Standard Special Conditions (SSCs) of the Gas Transporter licence held by each of the above licensees ('the licensees') granted or treated as granted under section 7 of the Gas Act 1986 by:
 - a. removing the existing Special Conditions;
 - b. inserting new Special Conditions;
 - c. amending the SSCs set out in Annex 1; and
 - d. removing existing SSCs set out in Annex 2.
2. We are proposing these modifications to give effect to our RIIO-3 Final Determinations for Gas Transmission and Gas Distribution companies. The proposals also aim to improve the clarity of the licence and its relationship with the Price Control Financial Instruments established by the licence.
3. The reasons and effects of the proposed modifications, together with the full text of the proposed modifications can be found at [Modifications to the RIIO-3 licences and associated documents | Ofgem](#), alternatively they are available from foi@ofgem.gov.uk.
4. In addition, further details and background on these proposed changes are set out in the following documents:
 - a. RIIO-3 initial licence consultation;²
 - b. RIIO-3 Draft Determinations for the Gas Distribution, Gas Transmission, and Electricity Transmission Sectors;³ and
 - c. RIIO-3 Final Determinations for the Gas Distribution, Gas Transmission, and Electricity Transmission Sectors.⁴

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

² [RIIO-3 initial licence consultation | Ofgem](#)

³ [RIIO-3 Draft Determinations for the Electricity Transmission, Gas Distribution and Gas Transmission sectors | Ofgem](#)

⁴ [RIIO-3 Final Determinations for the Electricity Transmission, Gas Distribution and Gas Transmission sectors | Ofgem](#)

5. Our responses to issues raised by stakeholders as part of the RIIO-3 initial licence consultation can be found at [Modifications to the RIIO-3 licences and associated documents | Ofgem](#).
6. Any representations with respect to the proposed licence modification/modifications must be made on or before 16 January 2026 to: Stephanie Cameron, Office of Gas and Electricity Markets, 10 South Colonnade, Canary Wharf, London, E14 4PU or by email to RIIO3@ofgem.gov.uk.
7. 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.
8. 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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Steve McMahon
Director
Duly authorised on behalf of the
Gas and Electricity Markets Authority

16/12/2025

Annex 1: SSCs we are proposing to amend

Condition	Licensees applicable to
SSC D10 Quality of service standards	Cadent Gas Limited Northern Gas Networks Limited Scotland Gas Networks plc Southern Gas Networks plc Wales & West Utilities Limited
Condition 4B Connection Charging Methodology	All listed above
Condition A28 Gas Network Innovation Strategy	All listed above
Condition A37 Availability of Resources	All listed above
Condition A38 Credit rating of the licensee and related obligations	All listed above
Condition A39 Indebtedness	All listed above

Annex 2: SSCs we are proposing to remove

Condition	Licensees applicable to
SSC B7 Provision of Meters	National Gas Transmission plc
SSC B8 Provision of Terms	National Gas Transmission plc
SSC D17 Provision and Return of Meters	Cadent Gas Limited Northern Gas Networks Limited Scotland Gas Networks plc Southern Gas Networks plc Wales & West Utilities Limited
SSC D18 Provision of Metering and Meter Reading Services	Cadent Gas Limited Northern Gas Networks Limited Scotland Gas Networks plc Southern Gas Networks plc Wales & West Utilities Limited
SSC B6 Application of Standard Special Conditions B7, B8, B9, B10, B11 and B12	National Gas Transmission plc
SSC B9 Non-discrimination in the Provision of Metering Activities	National Gas Transmission plc
SSC B10 Provision of services for specific domestic customer groups	National Gas Transmission plc
SSC B11 Arrangements for access to premises	National Gas Transmission plc
SSC B12 Reporting on Performance	National Gas Transmission plc