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### **Modifications to the Electricity System Operator Licence: Early Competition in Onshore Electricity Transmission**

Dear James Burns,

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to your consultation on Modifications to the Electricity System Operator Licence: Early Competition in Onshore Electricity Transmission.

#### **Who we are**

NESO lies at the heart of the energy system as an independent, public corporation responsible for planning Great Britain's electricity and gas networks, operating the electricity system and creating insights and recommendations for the future whole energy system.

At the forefront of our efforts is delivering value for consumers. We work with government, regulators and our customers to create an integrated future-proof system that works for people, communities, businesses and industry, where everyone has access to clean, reliable and affordable energy.

NESO's primary duty is to promote three objectives: enabling the government to deliver net zero, promoting efficient, coordinated and economical systems for electricity and gas and the economy and efficiency of energy businesses and ensuring security of supply for current and future consumers. NESO will take a whole system approach, looking across natural gas, electricity and other forms of energy and will engage participants in all parts of the energy ecosystem to deliver the plans, markets and operations of the energy system of today and the future.

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### Our key points

NESO supports the proposed modifications to the licence conditions of the Electricity System Operator (ESO) licence to implement new licence obligations arising from our role as the delivery body of a tender exercise run under the Electricity (Early-Model Competitive Tenders for Onshore Transmission Licences) Regulations 2025.

Please refer to the Annex for our responses to your consultation. We look forward to engaging with you further. Should you require further information on any of the points raised in our response please contact Andrew McAlinden Network Competition Senior Delivery Manager [Andrew.McAlinden@neso.energy](mailto:Andrew.McAlinden@neso.energy).

Yours sincerely

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Director of Legal & Regulation

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## **Appendix 1 Consultation Question Responses**

### **Condition C18 Onshore Transmission Tender Exercises**

Q1. Do you agree with our proposed drafting of new Condition C18 (Onshore Transmission Tender Exercises)?

Yes

Q2. Do you propose any modifications to the proposed drafting of C18?

No

### **Condition A1 Definitions**

Q3. Do you agree with our proposed modifications to Condition A1 Definitions?

Yes

Q4. Do you propose any modifications to the proposed drafting of the definitions?

No