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Dear David

COMPETITION IN ELECTRICITY METERING

SERVICES: INDUSTRY GUIDANCE

I refer to the guidance document on competition in metering services published by Ofgem last month as Version 1.1.

Taken in the round, the document, in our view, is a fair, objective, and accurate summary of the relevant legal framework within which metering competition in the electricity industry will develop, and of the regulatory rights and obligations associated with that framework.

We are, in particular, pleased to note that Ofgem agrees with our own view that standard condition 36B of the distribution licence does not require an in-area distributor to offer to enter into an agreement to provide the separate elements of the service listed in paragraph 1(b) of the condition on an ad hoc basis.

We hope that these comments are helpful.

Yours sincerely

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