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Electricity Distribution: DNO charging methodology conditions - Authority decision letters

Ofgem is publishing the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority's (the Authority) decisions on the conditions imposed on the distribution network operators' (DNOs) charging methodologies applicable from 1 April 2005.

The DNOs are required by their licences to determine charging methodologies and have them approved by the Authority by 1 April 2005. Conditions were applied to the approval of the DNOs' charging methodologies for connection to and use of the distribution system.

These conditions were set out in the Authority's decision documents dated 11 February 2005. Conditions were applied where the Authority considered that the methodologies required further development in order to meet the relevant licence objectives¹.

The letters now being published concern the Authority's decision on approval of conditions required by 1 April 2005. Further conditions were applied in the 11 February 2005 decision documents to some DNOs with implementation dates up to 1 April 2006. Decisions on these conditions will be published once the issues have been progressed.

Further information on the charging methodologies and the interim charging regime is available on the Ofgem website, www.ofgem.gov.uk under the Electricity Distribution Charges area of work.

¹ The amendments to standard licence condition 4, including details of the relevant licence objectives (reference 150/04) are available from the Ofgem website at <http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/ofgem/work/index.jsp?section=/areasofwork/licensingmodifications>