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Dear Mr Anthony

POTENTIAL SALE OF GAS NETWORK DISTRIBUTION BUSINESSES

**OFGEM CONSULTATION: PROPOSAL TO ISSUE A DIRECTION RE GAS SUPPLIERS
SLC21 – PUBLICATION OF INFORMATION TO CUSTOMERS**

This document is the formal response to the above consultation by MGN Gas Networks (UK) Limited (MGN). MGN has signed an Option Deed with National Grid Transco (NGT) to acquire the Wales and the West (W&W) Distribution Network (DN) being sold by NGT. The transaction is conditional on a number of events, including the consent of the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority.

MGN is of the view that the approach proposed by the Authority, namely to relieve suppliers of the obligation to print the name of the relevant GT on customer bills and provide instead a telephone number, suitably distinguished from the emergency number, is the appropriate solution to what would otherwise be a potentially expensive issue to resolve. We also believe that the proposed drafting of the Direction is appropriate.

Please feel free to contact either Ed Beckley (020 7065 2039) or Julian Bagwell (020 7065 2412) should you wish to discuss any of the contents of MGN's response to your consultation.

Yours sincerely
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