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Dear David,

Notice under section 11A(3) of the Electricity Act 1989: Proposals to insert a new standard licence condition 9B into the distribution licence

SSE note the proposal to insert a new standard licence condition 9B to secure that the licensee prepares, implements, accedes to and maintains a Distribution Connection and Use of System Agreement (DCUSA).

As you are aware, SSE have consistently argued against the need for the DCUSA and continue to believe that such an initiative will result in significant extra cost and bureaucracy with no real benefit for customers or competition. However, whilst we believe that such a licence condition is unnecessary, we do not intend to make a formal objection to the proposed licence modification.

We have noted one minor typographical error at clause 8 (b) where we believe that 'CUSA' should read 'DCUSA'.

Yours sincerely,

Rob McDonald
Director of Regulation