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OFGEM TECHNICAL DIRECTOR JOHN SCOTT TO EMBARK ON NEW ROLE

Energy regulator Ofgem will bid farewell to one of its key technical advisors in November. John Scott has decided to leave Ofgem after six and a half years of service to take up a new position as a Principal Consultant with KEMA Consulting Services.

During his time with Ofgem, John Scott has managed the technical team as well as acted as Technical Advisor to the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority (GEMA). He has also been a valued member of the Executive Committee.

Ofgem Chief Executive, Alistair Buchanan, said: "John has been very much a public face of Ofgem and his initiatives to encourage the network companies to take action on issues such as innovation, skills and asset management techniques have had a very positive impact.

"He has played an important role in encouraging the government to develop its thinking on important issues such as planning for emergencies in the gas and electricity industries."

John Scott will take up his new position in January.

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Notes to editors

1. Ofgem is the Office of the Gas and Electricity Markets, which supports the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority, the regulator of the gas and electricity industries in Great Britain. The Authority's functions are set out mainly in the Gas Act 1986, the Electricity Act 1989, the Competition Act 1998 and the Utilities Act 2000. In this note, the functions of the Authority under all the relevant Acts are, for simplicity, described as the functions of Ofgem.

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