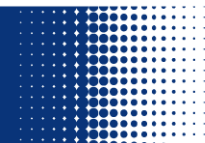




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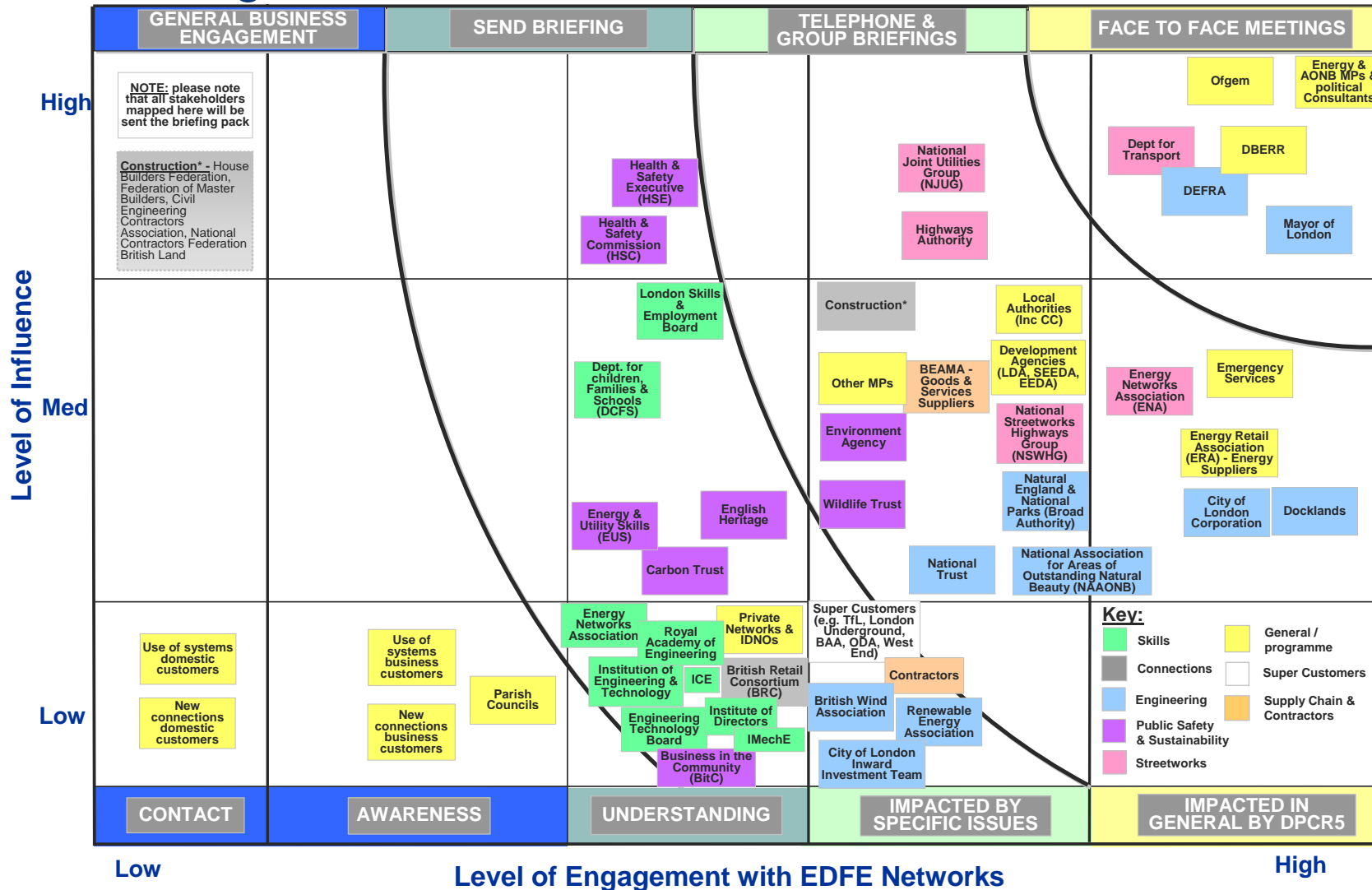
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## ❖ Business Drivers

- Ofgem requirements:
  - Stakeholder Consultation and the Consumer Preferences Survey (willingness to pay) are run separately
  - “Build evidence and support for the business plans of the Distribution Network Operators”
- Key EDF Energy Networks Branch objectives:
  - To be a leader in Stakeholder consultation and engagements
  - To ensure a robust draft business plan – “quality assurance”
  - To identify and address key stakeholders concerns and requirements
  - To minimise the difference between the Initial submission (January 09) and the final determination (November 09)

# Targeted Stakeholders - Informed Customers and influencing bodies



Stakeholder Consultation – Ofgem Workshop  
Keith Hutton – Head of DPCR5



## ❖ Initial Stakeholder Engagement

- Ongoing business as usual meetings
  - 350 Key connection customers
  - Universities and Research companies
  - Trade Unions
  - Environmental organisations
  - Ofgem
  - Suppliers
- Stakeholder Briefing “Vision” produced March 08
- Special Briefing Events
  - EDF Energy’s Stakeholder Panel – February 08
  - MP’s “drop in” at the House of Commons – April 08
  - Representative Stakeholder Breakfast Briefings – May 08
- Further face to face meetings and invitations to participate



## ❖ Consultation Business Themes

Consultation theme	“Have Your Say”
Business Environment & Planning Assumptions	Are they the correct ones?
Core business plan – providing a safe, secure and efficient Network	Do you have any comments?
Core Business plan - variations	Enhanced Quality of Supply performance Enhanced Network Resilience Increased investment in Fluid Filled Cables Increased investment in Areas of outstanding Natural Beauty

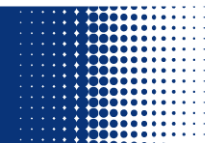


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<p>“Pure” Stakeholder investment options in addition to our core business plan</p>	<p>Increased investment for High Impact low probability events?</p> <p>Should we invest ahead of need; if so how much?</p> <p>How quickly should we invest for Smart Networks and Distributed Generation?</p>
<p>Additional questions for Stakeholders</p>	<p>Should we introduce a mechanism to protect against price volatility?</p> <p>Should DNO’s be incentivised to develop a sustainable business?</p> <p>Should DNO’s be measured against their direct impact on the environment?</p> <p>Should we improve long term business planning co-ordination?</p>

## ❖ Stakeholder Consultation Methodology

- Appointment of External Consultation Consultant
  - Ensure objectivity and independence
  - Qualitative assessment of Stakeholder views on our plans
  - Ensure Best industry practice
- Online Consultation – July to September
  - Registration Web site launched 14<sup>th</sup> May – [www.edfenergy.com/DPCR5](http://www.edfenergy.com/DPCR5)
  - Specifically designed on line consultation documentation
- Regional Workshops – September
  - Regional Business plans (four ½ day workshops)
  - Key Strategic Consultation Themes (three ½ day workshops)
- Publication of Stakeholder views and EDF Energy response



## ❖ Further thoughts for the Consultation process

- How to reconcile customer Willingness to Pay Survey and Stakeholder Consultation?
- How to ensure that Stakeholder views are reflected in the final settlement in November 09?
- Should we continue Stakeholder consultation after final business planning questionnaire?

