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Dear Ynon

Electricity distribution structure of charges project: DNOs' proposals for a common methodology at lower voltages

Please find attached the response from Western Power Distribution South West and Western Power Distribution South Wales to the above consultation document. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me on the above telephone number

Yours sincerely

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Chapter 2 DNOs' Common Methodology Submission

Question 1: Do you agree with our minded to positions given the arguments/analysis presented here and in the Impact Assessment in Appendix 3? If not, why not?

We agree with Ofgem's minded to position to approve the CDCM with the small number of specific conditions as outlined in Table 2 of the document.

Question 2: Do you consider any additional areas should be conditionally approved?

We believe the CDCM as submitted meets the requirements of licence condition 50. We do not believe any further conditions additional to those set out in the consultation are necessary.

Question 3: Do you consider any element of the methodology would warrant an overall vetoing of the DNO's common methodology submission ?

No.

Question 4: Are there any additional areas you would like to flag as areas you consider warrant further work by DNOs in the future?

We cannot identify any additional areas at present. The implementation of common governance arrangements will inevitable identify new areas of work which will allow the methodology to further develop over time.