Notice pursuant to section 11A of the Electricity Act 1989

The Gas and Electricity Markets Authority (the 'Authority') hereby gives notice pursuant to section 11A(3) and (4) of the Electricity Act 1989 (the 'Act') as follows:

- 1. The Authority proposes to modify all of the electricity distribution licences that are granted, or treated as granted pursuant to section 6(1)(c) of the Act (the 'Licence') by amending the date by which the Authority can issue a DG Standards Direction¹ pursuant to paragraph 15A.22 of the Licence.
- 2. Paragraph 15A.22 currently states that a DG Standards Direction may be issued by the Authority at any time up to and including 30 June 2010. The Authority now proposes to amend that date to 30 September 2010 in the manner set out in the Schedule 1 to this Notice.
- 3. The reasons why the Authority proposes to make this modification is to extend the jurisdiction by which the Authority can make a DG Standards Direction while the proposed Electricity (Connection Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010² (the 'E(CSP)Rs') are being finalised. The DG Standards Direction (which will reflect the content of the E(CSP)Rs) and the E(CSP)Rs are being introduced as part of the electricity distribution price control review.
- 4. The effect of this modification will be to allow the Authority to make the DG Standards Direction on or before 30 September 2010.
- 5. Copies of the proposed licence modification are available (free of charge) on the Ofgem website (www.ofgem.gov.uk).
- 6. Any representations or objections to any of the proposed modifications must be made in writing on or before 16 July 2010 to Stacy Altman, Office of Gas and Electricity Markets (Ofgem), 9 Millbank, London SW1P 3GE or via email to stacy.altman@ofgem.gov.uk.
- 7. A proforma that licence holders may wish to use in order to register a statutory objection is set out in Schedule 2 to this Notice.

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Rachel Fletcher, Partner, Distribution
Signed on behalf of the Authority and authorised for that purpose

Date: 18 June 2010

¹ DG Standards Direction has the meaning set out in paragraph 15A.2 of the Licence.

² It is proposed that the Electricity (Connections Standards of Performance) Regulations 2010 come into force on 1 October 2010.

Schedule 1

Paragraph 15A.22 will be amended in the following manner:

Part I: Procedure for issuing a DG Standards Direction

- 15A.22 A DG Standards Direction may be issued by the Authority at any time up to and including 30 June 2010 30 September 2010, but may not take effect before 1 October 2010.
- 15A.23 Before issuing a DG Standards Direction, the Authority, by Notice given to all Electricity Distributors, must:
 - (a) state that it proposes to issue the direction and specify the date on which it proposes that it should have effect;
 - (b) set out the text of the direction and the Authority's reasons for proposing the direction; and
 - (c) specify the time (which may not be less than 28 days from the date of the Notice) within which representations or objections with respect to the proposal may be made.
- 15A.24 The Authority must consider any representations or objections that are duly made and not withdrawn.
- 15A.25 The requirements of paragraphs 15A.23 and 15A.24 may be satisfied by action taken before, as well as by action taken after, the commencement of this condition.

Schedule 2

Proposed modification of standard licence condition

Paragraph 15A.22 in the electricity distribution licence

In response to the statutory notice dated 18 June 2010 in respect of the above proposed modification, this Notice constitutes a statutory objection to that proposal on behalf of [state full name of each relevant licence holder making the objection].

I confirm that I am duly authorised to give this notice on behalf of $[each\ of]$ the above named companies.

[Signed]

Date: [xx]

[Address for acknowledgement, preferably including email address]