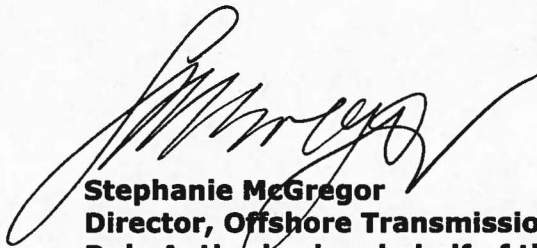


NOTICE UNDER THE ELECTRICITY (COMPETITIVE TENDERS FOR OFFSHORE TRANSMISSION LICENCES) REGULATIONS 2010

1. In relation to the Lincs project (the **project**), the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority (the **Authority**) under regulation 9(1) of the Electricity (Competitive Tenders for Offshore Transmission Licences) Regulations 2010 (the **Tender Regulations**):
 - a. has determined that the request received relates to a qualifying project in accordance with regulation 6;
 - b. has received payment and security from the developer in accordance with regulation 7; and
 - c. is satisfied that any conditions specified in paragraph 1 or 2 of Schedule 2 to the Tender Regulations, as the case may be, which must be met by the developer prior to the publication of a notice under regulation 9, have been met pursuant to regulation 8(1)(b).
2. The Authority hereby gives notice pursuant to regulation 9(1) of the Tender Regulations of its intention to commence a tender exercise in respect of the project on 17 November 2010.



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Duly Authorised on behalf of the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority
9 November 2010