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Dear Mark,

Guidance on Third Party Access Charges for Licence Exempt Gas and Electricity Distribution Networks

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above document which posed three specific questions:-

Question 1: Do you have any views on the proposed principles that will underpin ENOs' network charges?

The proposed principles look appropriate for producing charges to use the ENO network.

Question 2: Is the common methodology we have proposed proportionate? Is further guidance required on particular issues?

Yes, we believe it is appropriate and provides sufficient guidance to enable them to produce charges.

Question 3: Is our proposed approach appropriate? Are there other arrangements which could be put in place and would help the sector comply with the obligations?

Yes, we believe it is appropriate.

Our understanding is that the proposals to allow third party suppliers access to these networks will not impact on the existing arrangements for licensed networks. Should

arrangements be introduced which give customer connected to third party network access to the main settlements process, then further consideration needs to be given to the impact this may have on DNO charging.

Yours sincerely,



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