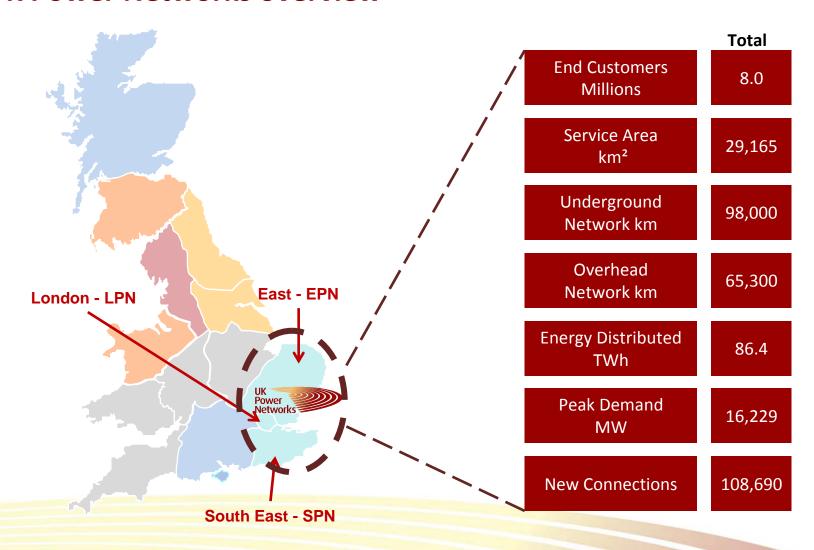
### **UK Power Networks**

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22<sup>nd</sup> October 2012

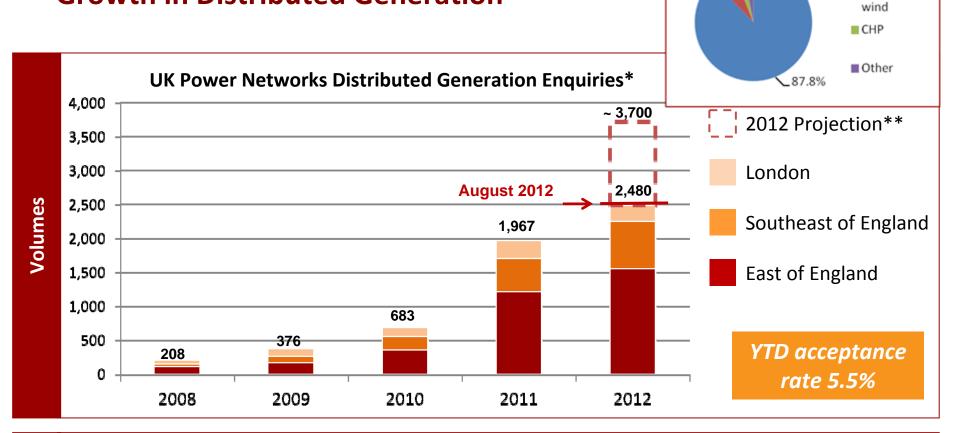


#### **UK Power Networks overview**



UK Power Networks are one of the UK's largest electricity distribution businesses, with eight million customers spread across London, the South East and the East of England.

#### **Growth in Distributed Generation**



## Performance metrics

- Average quotation turn-around time is 19 days, ranging from small scale to large scale generation enquiries
- Our intention is to improve this going forward and to be more transparent with our performance measures

■ Photovoltaic

Onshore

6.2%-

<sup>\*</sup>Excludes G83 stage 1 enquiries

<sup>\*\*</sup>Proportional to actual 2012 year-to-date figures

#### Responding to 2011 feedback and volume growth

Recruitment & Training	<ul> <li>Refocused, trained and upskilled 20 staff to handle DG enquiries and assess applications</li> </ul>
Website & Information	<ul> <li>Updated the UK Power Networks DG website to be more flexible and user friendly</li> <li>Provided more documentation to support the application process</li> </ul>
Collaboration & Standardisation	<ul> <li>Implemented a common DG Connections Guide and application form in collaboration with other DNOs</li> </ul>
Innovation	<ul> <li>Flexible Plug &amp; Play: innovation project trialling new solutions to provide faster and cheaper connections for DG customers. UK Power Networks doubled its required investment</li> </ul>
Customer Engagement for Service Improvement	<ul> <li>Conducted a DG customer experience survey focused on service improvement</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Conducted the first in a planned series of regular DG customer experience workshops focused on service improvement</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Survey and workshop included representatives from Independent Connection Providers (ICPs)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Created the role of dedicated DG Development Manager</li> </ul>

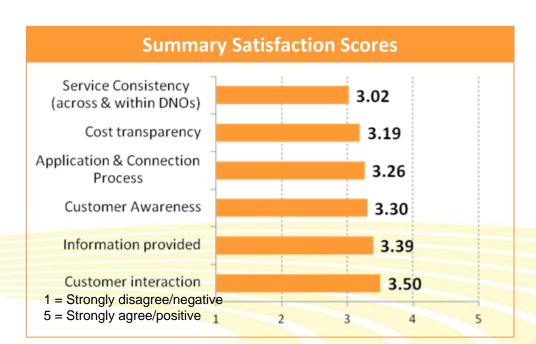
We have made a number of improvements to date in response to the rapid growth in Distributed Generation enquiries

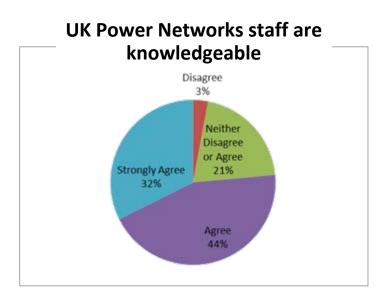
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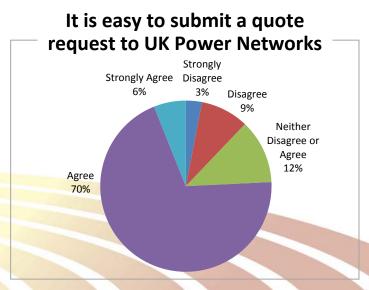
"The website has massively improved in recent months"

"Have more interaction workshops where people can meet and understand each other's roles

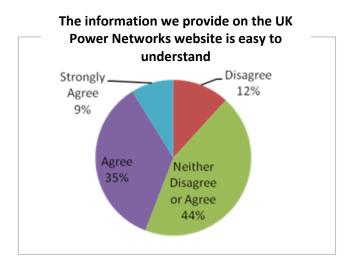
"Nominate clear point of contact, respond promptly to emails, interact better with your customers"

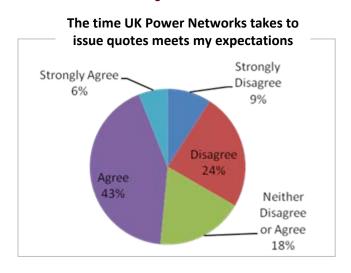


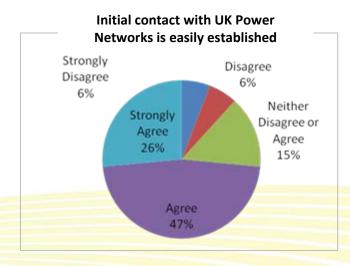




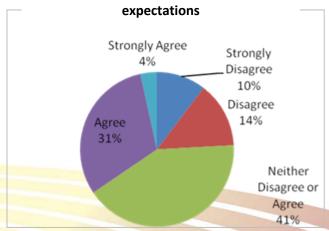
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#### Developing our 2012/13 service improvement action plan

Our plan is focused on the areas our customers have told us need improvement

Provision of information (LC25) - Further improve the provision of technical, process and performance information to enable our customers to understand the viability of schemes much earlier in the process

Quote provision and transparency - Commit additional specialist resources to the design and quotation service to shorten timescales, improve the transparency and clarity of our quotations and ensure our quotations are more straightforward and easier to understand

Improve the certainty of delivery timescales through earlier engagement and integrated planning with our customers

From January 2013 – we will undertake a monthly, independently operated, Broad Measure of Customer Satisfaction style survey of the DG community

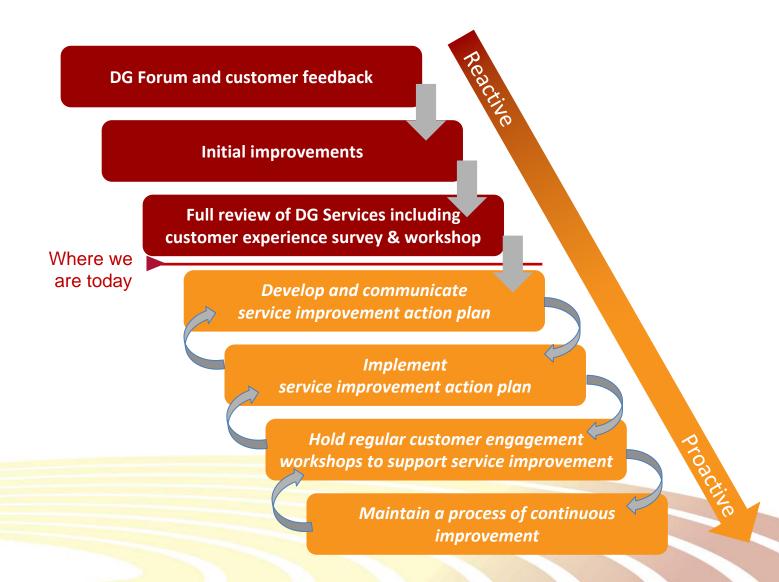
Implementation has already begun and will continue into 2013. We will undertake regular DG Open Forums to report on progress and further shape our plans

#### Developing our 2012/13 service improvement action plan

#### **Actions underway include**

Provision of information	
•Publication of quotation and delivery timescales on a monthly basis	Nov 12
•Commit to specific quotation timescales at the application stage	Q1 2013
•Improved technical specification data on EHV and 132kV networks	In progress
•Improved low voltage network information available to customers	Dec 2012
<ul> <li>Develop interactive network capacity maps (EHV/132kv)</li> </ul>	Q3 2013
Quote provision and transparency	
•Appoint additional specialist staff to the DG team	In progress
•Improve clarity and detail of quotation cost breakdowns	
<ul> <li>Greater granularity in cost breakdown</li> </ul>	Complete
<ul> <li>Undertake further consultation with customers for further refinement</li> </ul>	Q1 2013
Simplify our quotation and offer documentation	Q1 2013
Certainty of delivery timescales	_
•Ensure early joint delivery programme is agreed with our customer	In progress
•Review and improve current resource levels to enable more timely witness testing	In progress

# Where we are in our DG customer engagement and service improvement process



#### In summary

- DG customer enquiries have risen significantly
- We have responded to and managed this growth
- We have engaged and listened to our customers
- We have acted upon what we have heard
- We will continue to engage and respond to customer feedback

UK Power Networks is committed to providing a level of customer service that would be acknowledged as best in class by all of our stakeholders