To: National Grid Gas plc (with respect to its gas distribution networks)

(Company Number: 02006000)

Northern Gas Networks Limited

(Company Number: 05167070)

Scotland Gas Networks plc

(Company Number: SC264065)

Southern Gas Networks plc (Company Number: 05167021)

Wales & West Utilities Limited

(Company Number: 05046791)

(the "Licensees")

Notice under paragraph 10 of Standard Special Condition A40 (Regulatory Instructions and Guidance) ("SSC A40") of the Gas Transporter Licence granted to the Licensees under section 7 of the Gas Act 1986

The Gas and Electricity Markets Authority (the "Authority") hereby gives notice under paragraph 10 of SSC A40 as follows:

- 1. The Authority proposes to issue Regulatory Instructions and Guidance (the "RIGs") under SSC A40. The RIGs are the primary means by which the Authority directs the Licensee to collect and provide the information to the Authority to enable it to administer the Special Conditions of the Gas Transporter Licence and, where not referenced in the licence, the RIIO-GD1 Final Proposals.¹
- 2. SSC A40 came into effect on 1 April 2013, the start of RIIO-GD1 price control period. The Authority proposes to issues the RIGs in a direction on or after 2 September 2013 and the RIGs will have effect from 1 April 2013.
- 3. A copy of the proposed RIGs and the associated Excel templates are included in Appendix 1 to this Notice.
 - (a) RIIO-GD1 Gas Distribution Price Control Regulatory Instructions and Guidance: Version 1
 - (b) RIIO-GD1 Gas Distribution Costs and Outputs Reporting Template: Version 1
 - (c) RIIO-GD1 Gas Distribution Revenue Reporting Template: Version 1
- 4. Copies of this Notice and other documents referred to in it are available on the Ofgem website (www.ofgem.gov.uk).
- 5. Any representations on the proposed licence modifications may be made on or before 2 September 2013 to: Mick Watson, Office of Gas and Electricity Markets, 9 Millbank, London, SW1P 3GE or by email to mick.watson@ofgem.gov.uk.
- 6. All responses will normally be published on Ofgem's website. However, if respondents do not wish their response to be made public then they should clearly mark their response as not for publication. Ofgem prefers to receive responses in an electronic form so they can be placed easily on the Ofgem website.

¹ <u>RIIO-GD1: Final Proposals - Ofgem reference 168/12</u>

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31 July 2013

Appendix 1 to the Authority's Notice dated 31 July 2013

Proposed Regulatory Instructions and Guidance

RIIO-GD1 Gas Distribution Price Control – Regulatory Instructions and Guidance: Version

RIIO-GD1 Gas Distribution Costs and Outputs Reporting Template: Version 1
RIIO-GD1 Gas Distribution Revenue Reporting Template: Version 1