

Transmission licensees, generators, suppliers, consumer groups and any other party who has an interest in the transmission arrangements

Date: 8 August 2014

Dear colleague,

Decision under section 11A(1)(a) of the Electricity Act 1989 to make a licence modification for the proposed Beauly Mossford reinforcement under the Strategic Wider Works (SWW) arrangements

We are today publishing our decision to make a modification to Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission plc's (SHE Transmission's) electricity transmission licence. This follows a statutory consultation on the proposed licence change which we published on 4 July 2014 (the July consultation). The modification will take effect on 6 October 2014.

## The proposed modification

The July consultation proposed a modification to SHE Transmission's electricity transmission licence which would bring into effect the decision published by the Authority<sup>3</sup> on 16 April 2014 on the proposed reinforcement of the electricity transmission system to the northwest of Inverness in Scotland (the Beauly Mossford project).

The proposed modification will insert into Special Condition 6I of SHE Transmission's electricity transmission licence the SWW Outputs and Annual Expenditure for the Beauly Mossford project.

Our July consultation, which closed on 4 August 2014, set out the background to the proposed change and provided our reasons for the modification.

## Response to the July consultation

We received a non-confidential response from SHE Transmission to our July consultation. This response is published on our website alongside this letter. Its response supported the proposed licence modification, and made no further representations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A copy of all the documents we have published relating to this decision can be found on our website: https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/electricity/transmission-networks/critical-investments/strategic-wider-works/beauly-mossford

https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/statutory-consultation-proposed-modification-scottish-hydro-electric-transmission-plc%E2%80%99s-electricity-transmission-licence-beauly-mossford-reinforcement-project

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The terms "Authority", "Ofgem", "we", "us" and "our" are used interchangeably in this document.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/electricity/transmission-networks/critical-investments/strategic-wider-works/beauly-mossford

Our view on the need for the proposed modification therefore remains as outlined in our July consultation.

Schedule 1 of the modification decision published alongside this letter sets out the licence modifications to Special Condition 6I of SHE Transmission's electricity transmission licence. Table 2 of Schedule 1 shows the changes we consulted on in July 2014 in red text for the Beauly Mossford project. We have also included modifications in respect of the Kintyre Hunterston<sup>5</sup> project in blue text that will come into effect on 16 September 2014. Our decision on the Kintyre Hunterston licence modification was published on our website on 21 July 2014. We have included the Kintyre Hunterston modifications to show the new total annual Allowed Expenditure which takes both projects into account. The revised total Annual Expenditure and the names for each project row are also shown in green text.

The modification for the Beauly Mossford project will take effect on 6 October 2014.

Yours faithfully

Kersti Berge

**Partner – Electricity Transmission** 

 $<sup>^{5} \ \</sup>underline{\text{https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/decision-make-licence-modifications-proposed-kintyre-hunterston-reinforcement-under-strategic-wider-works-sww-arrangements}$