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*Dear Dermot,*

I am writing in response to your letter of 30 July informing me of your proposed price control settlement for five of the six companies that run Britain's local electricity network.

It is encouraging that the proposals contain significant investment in the upgrade and maintenance of our local electricity networks, and on the improved targets for connecting new customers to the network.

I also welcome your actions in reducing bill payments for customers while improving customer service. Historically, the Distribution Network Operators (DNOs) operating in Wales, SP Manweb plc and Western Power Distribution (South Wales) plc, have had some of the highest DNO charges - the third (£99.60) and fourth (£99) highest charges respectively - of any of the 14 DNO licences.

I look forward to seeing what this announcement will mean for future charges in Wales.

*Yn,*  
*John*

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