

To:
TC Lincs OFTO Limited

Cc: European Commission, DECC

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Date: 3 November 2014

Dear Colleague,

**Designation under the ownership unbundling requirements of the Third Package¹
Decision of the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority ('the Authority')**

On 28 February 2013, the Authority notified the certification decision of TC Lincs OFTO Limited ('Lincs') to the European Commission and the Secretary of State, in accordance with section 10D(7) of the Electricity Act 1989 ('the Electricity Act').

Lincs was granted an offshore transmission system licence on 3 November 2014 under section 6(1)(b) of the Electricity Act. As such, section 10H(1) now applies to Lincs and in accordance with section 10H(2) of the Electricity Act, Lincs is now designated as an electricity transmission system operator for the purposes of Article 10(2) of the Electricity Directive.

In accordance with section 10H(4) of the Electricity Act, the Authority hereby notifies the designation of Lincs to the Secretary of State and the European Commission.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Beel
Associate Director, E-Serve

¹ The term 'Third Package' refers to Directive 2009/72/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 concerning common rules for the internal market in electricity and repealing Directive 2003/54/EC ('Electricity Directive'); Regulation (EC) No 714/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on conditions for access to the network for cross-border exchanges in electricity and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1228/2003 ('Electricity Regulation'); Directive 2009/73/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 concerning common rules for the internal market in natural gas and repealing Directive 2003/55/EC ('Gas Directive'); Regulation (EC) No 715/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on conditions for access to the natural gas transmission networks and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1775/2005 ('Gas Regulation'); and Regulation (EC) No 713/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing an Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators.