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Dear James

**Incentive on Connections Engagement (ICE) Guidance Document – Notice**

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the above consultation. This letter should be treated as a consolidated response on behalf of UK Power Networks' three distribution licence holding companies: Eastern Power Networks plc, London Power Networks plc, and South Eastern Power Networks plc. Our response is not confidential and can be published via the Ofgem website.

We are pleased to see almost all of the feedback we gave you incorporated into the final version of the ICE guidance included with this notice. There remain only a handful of issues which we have identified and that are listed in the appendix to this letter and we look forward to hearing from you in respect of them.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me in the first instance.

Yours sincerely



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## Appendix

1. Previously raised point
  - a. We proposed changing paragraph 1.22(b), now 5.1(b), by adding “and apply a pass or fail criteria to each segment” to the end of the first paragraph. This was to ensure clarity – this change has not been made and it is unclear why this is the case
2. New points
  - a. Paragraph 2.2 refers to Table 1 containing connection volume information for the segments. The descriptions do not include volume information
  - b. The final wording of paragraph 3.2 refers to “two sections” – these should be specified as the looking forward and looking back sections for clarity
  - c. The final sentence in paragraph 6.7 refers to “this process”. It is not clear whether this is the publishing of the work plan or the overall ICE process. For clarity we propose that this paragraph is amended to:

“In addition to submitting an ICE submission by 31 May each year, we require all licensees to publish the Looking Forward workplan of activities by 30 April each year. This will give stakeholders early visibility of service that they can expect from the DNO, for the forthcoming regulatory year. The publication of a workplan and an ICE submission should give stakeholders access to each licensee’s high-level connection strategy and workplan of activities.”