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Version 2.1 of the Network Innovation Competition (NIC) Governance Documents

On 25 June 2015 we¹ published a notice saying we planned to issue version 2.1 of the NIC Governance Documents (the governance documents), and specifying the date on which we proposed the revised governance documents should take effect. We provided the revised text and our reasons for changing it.

The governance documents explain the regulation, governance and administration of the electricity and gas NICs. The amendments to this version ensure the governance documents are fit for purpose, and that the electricity document incorporates electricity distributors. The updates also reflect our decision on changes to the NIC governance arrangements. We asked for comments, representations or objections to the proposed amendments to the NIC governance documents to be made on or before 25 March 2015.

Stakeholder comments

We received two responses to our consultation, from National Grid and from Western Power Distribution. The responses supported the changes we have made to the Governance Documents. No objections were raised to the modifications to the Governance Documents.

We have not made any changes to the Governance Documents since we published our notice.

Next steps

In accordance with the NIC licence conditions,^{2,3,4,5,6} we have today published version two of the NIC Governance Documents.

Yours faithfully,

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¹ The terms "we", "us" and "the Authority" are used to refer to the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority.

² Electricity Transmission Licence – Special Condition 3I

³ Electricity Distribution Licence – Charge Restriction Condition 5A

⁴ Gas Transporters Licence – National Grid Gas Transmission (NGGT) Special Condition 2F

⁵ Gas Transporters Licence – Distribution Network Operators (DNs) – Special Condition 1I

⁶ Gas Transporters Licence – IGTs – Special Condition 2