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To: WoDS Transmission plc
Cc: European Commission, DECC

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Dear Colleague,

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

On 1 May 2015, the Authority notified the certification decision of WoDS Transmission plc (then WoDS Transmission Limited) to the European Commission and the Secretary of State, in accordance with section 10D(7) of the Electricity Act 1989 ('the Electricity Act').

WoDS Transmission plc was granted an offshore transmission system licence on 19 August 2015 under section 6(1)(b) of the Electricity Act. As such, section 10H(1) now applies to WoDS Transmission plc and in accordance with section 10H(2) of the Electricity Act, WoDS Transmission plc 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 WoDS Transmission plc to the Secretary of State and the European Commission.

Yours sincerely,

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ⁱ 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.