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Dear Ms Carroll

ERROR IN APPLICATION OF CHARGING METHODOLOGY TO DERIVE NORTHERN POWERGRID (YORKSHIRE) PLC's USE OF SYSTEM CHARGES FOR 2016/17 AND 2017/18

On 8 March 2016 I wrote to Keith Burwell setting out the facts relating to an error in the derivation of the use of system charges published by Northern Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc for 2016/2017 and 2017/18.

In that letter I proposed a course of action that reflected the de minimis impact of the error on the published charges. You will recall that I proposed that we apply the charges as published, correcting the error when we next set charges (i.e. the charges that will apply from 1 April 2018). In your e-mail you advised me that we should seek a formal consent from the Authority under SLC 14.2 for the proposed course of action.

Accordingly, I now ask the Authority to give consent to Northern Powergrid (Yorkshire) plc's preparing charges that have not been derived strictly in accordance with the relevant Charging Methodology.

I ask that this consent be given with immediate effect and that it should continue to apply until the licensee prepares the use of system charges that will apply from 1 April 2018.

I attach with this formal request a copy of my letter of 8 March 2016 that provides the factual background to this request.

Please let me know if there is any further information that you need to consider the exercise of your discretion in this respect.

Yours sincerely

John France

Regulation Director