

To: National Grid Gas plc (the "Licensee") (with respect to its gas transmission network) (Company Number: 02006000)

Direction under paragraph 8 of Standard Special Condition A40 (Regulatory Instructions and Guidance) ("SSC A40") of the Gas Transporter Licence (the "Licence") granted to the Licensees under section 7 of the Gas Act 1986 (the "Act")

Whereas –

1. The Licensee has been granted a Licence under section 7 of the Act and is subject to the conditions contained in the Licence.
2. SSC A40 came into effect on 1 April 2013, the start of RIIO-T1 price control period.
3. In accordance with paragraph 10 of SSC A40 the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority (the "Authority") gave notice¹ on 26 April 2016 that it proposed to modify the Regulatory Instructions and Guidance (the "RIGs").
4. The RIGs are the primary means by which the Authority directs the Licensee to collect and provide the information to the Authority to enable it (the Authority) to administer the Special Conditions of the Licence and, where not referenced in the Licence, the RIIO-T1 Final Proposals².
5. The modified RIGs will take effect for the submission of information due in July 2016, which relates to the relevant reporting year from 1 April 2015 to 31 March 2016. The RIIO-T1 Gas Transmission Price Control – Regulatory Instructions and Guidance: Version 3.1 document and the associated Excel and Word templates are included in the Schedule to this Direction.
6. The Authority requested that any representations on the proposed RIGs be made on or before 26 May 2016. The Authority received one representation. We have considered the representation from the consultee and made changes as set out in Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 included with this Direction.

Now therefore –

In accordance with the powers contained in paragraph 8 of SSC A40 of the Licence, the Authority hereby modifies the RIGs in the manner specified in the attached Schedule. The Licensee is required to report in accordance with these modified RIGs and reporting template for the purpose of regulatory reporting.

This document constitutes notice of the reasons for the Direction as required by section 38A of the Act.

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Partner for Networks
Duly authorised on behalf of the Authority
22 June 2016

¹ https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/system/files/docs/2016/04/riio-gt1_2015_16_rigs_notice.pdf

² <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/riio-t1-final-proposals-national-grid-electricity-transmission-and-national-grid-gas---overview>

Schedule to the Authority's Direction dated 22 June 2016

Regulatory Instructions and Guidance

RIIO-T1 Gas Transmission – Regulatory Instructions and Guidance: Version 3.1

RIIO-T1 Gas Transmission Reporting Template: Version 3.1

Appendix 1 to the Authority's Direction dated 22 June 2016

Modifications to RIIO-T1 Gas Transmission Regulatory Instructions and Guidance

Guidance version No.	Full details of the changes made since the last version	Paragraph, page or section reference
3.0.0	Version published for consultation on 26 April 2016	
3.1	We have reverted to the guidance used in last year's submission. See note for Table 7.12 in Appendix 2.	Table 7.12

Appendix 2 to the Authority's Direction dated 22 June 2016

Modifications to RIIO-T1 Gas Transmission Reporting Template

Reporting Pack Version No.	Full Details of the changes made since the last version	Specific Tables Changed
3.0.0	Version published for consultation on 26 April 2016	
3.1	Renamed cell B12 'allocation to opex' (previously 'allocation to controllable opex')	3.13
	Added extra line for 'investigation and repair work' under 'crop and drainage claims'.	3.16
	Added '£m' as unit of measurement in cell F35	6.4
	Corrected start/end dates for 2015/16 reporting year in cells B11:C63	7.3
	NGGT have confirmed they are unable to provide the requested information for Table 7.12 in the version we consulted on. We have reverted to the Table used in last year's submission with a view to NGGT reporting on a new table for 2016/17 submissions.	7.12
	Amended cells C20:E33 from white non-input cells to yellow input cells	7.13