

To the Company Secretary:

SP Transmission plc
Company Number: SC189126

DIRECTIONS ISSUED BY THE GAS AND ELECTRICITY MARKETS AUTHORITY TO SP TRANSMISSION PLC UNDER THE SPECIAL

WHEREAS

1. SP Transmission plc ('the licensee') is the holder of a electricity transmission licence ('the licence') granted or treated as granted under section 6(1)(b) of the Electricity Act 1989 ('the Act').
2. For the purposes of these directions:
 - (a) the expression 'Relevant Year t' has the same meaning as is given to it in Special Condition 1A (Definitions and Interpretation) of the licence, and references to Relevant Year t-1 are to be construed accordingly; and
 - (b) Relevant Year t for the purposes of these Directions is the Relevant Year that commences on 1 April 2017 and ends on 31 March 2018 ('Relevant Year 2017/18').
3. Special Condition 5B (Annual Iteration Process for the ET1 Price Control Financial Model) requires the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority
 - (a) carry out the Annual Iteration Process for the ET1 Price Control Financial Model; and
 - (b) direct the value of the term MOD for Relevant Year t, for the purposes of the formulae that are specified in Special Condition 3A (Restriction of Transmission Network Revenue);
by 30 November in Relevant Year t-1.
4. The following Special Conditions provide for the Authority to direct revised PCFM Variable Values for the licensee for the purpose of the Annual Iteration Process for the ET1 Price Control Financial Model that forms part of Special Condition 5B of the licence:
 - (a) Special Condition 6A (Legacy price control adjustments – Transmission Owner) in respect of LAR, (and its component term values IAR, TAR, CAR, and SAR), LRAV, (and its component term values IRAV, CRAV, and SRAV);
 - (b) Special Condition 6C (Determination of PCFM Variable Values for Totex Incentive Mechanism Adjustments – Transmission Owner) in respect of ALC, ARC, AOC, ACO and ANC values;
 - (c) Special Condition 6D (Specified financial adjustments – Transmission Owner) in respect of EDE, APFE, TTE, TGIE and CDE values;
 - (d) Special Condition 6E (The Innovation Roll-out Mechanism) in respect of IRM values;
 - (e) Special Condition 6F (Baseline Generation Connections Outputs and Generation Connections volume driver) in respect of GCE;
 - (f) Special Condition 6G (Mitigating the impact of Pre-existing Transmission Infrastructure on the visual amenity of Designated Areas) in respect of EPIE values;
 - (g) Special Condition 6H (Arrangements for the recovery of uncertain costs) in respect of IAEMR, IAEEPS and IAENLUM values;
 - (h) Special Condition 6I (Specification of Baseline Wider Works Outputs and Strategic Wider Works Outputs and Assessment of Allowed Expenditure) in respect of WWE values;
5. Each of the Special Conditions referred to in paragraph 4:
 - (a) sets out the basis on which any revisions to relevant PCFM Variable Values are to be determined; and
 - (b) where applicable, specifies the price control financial methodology in accordance with which revisions to the relevant PCFM Variable Value(s) are to be determined and the chapter of the ET1 Price Control Financial Handbook containing that methodology.
6. The reason for these directions is to revise PCFM Variable Values as used in the Annual Iteration Process for the ET1 Price Control Financial Model (as each of those terms is defined in Special Condition 1A). The Annual Iteration Process is used to calculate values for the term MOD that is used in the formulae set out in Special Condition 3A (Restriction of Transmission Network Revenue).
7. In accordance with requirements set out in the Special Conditions referred to in paragraph 4, on 8 November 2016, the Authority gave notice of the revised PCFM Variable Values that it proposed to direct by 30 November in Relevant Year t-1 and specified that any representations concerning the proposed values should be made within fourteen days of receiving the notice.
8. The Authority received no representations.


NOW the Authority pursuant to the provisions of the Special Conditions referred to in paragraphs 3 and 4, **HEREBY DIRECTS** that:

- the PCFM Variable Values and component term values referred to in paragraph 4 are to be revised as shown in Schedule 1 to these
- the term MOD for the licensee for Relevant Year 2017/18 is to take the value -£13.5m.

Schedule 2 to these directions shows the complete PCFM Variable Values Table (as that term is defined in Special Condition 1A) including the values revised under these directions (in bold font) and the values that have not been revised under these directions.

This constitutes notice for the reasons for the Authority's decision pursuant to section 49A of the Act.

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Duly authorised on behalf of the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority
30 November 2016

SCHEDULE 1 TO THE AUTHORITY'S DIRECTION - REVISIONS TO VARIABLE VALUES (shown to 1 d.p., except CDE shown to 2 d.p.)

SP Transmission plc				Regulatory Year Ending							
PCFM Variable Value				RIIO-ET1							
	Special Condition	Price Base / Units	31 March 2014	31 March 2015	31 March 2016	31 March 2017	31 March 2018	31 March 2019	31 March 2020	31 March 2021	
CDE	Allowed percentage cost of debt	CRC 6D	Annual Real %	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	2.22%	2.22%	2.22%	2.22%
ALC	Actual load related capex expenditure	CRC 6C	£m 09/10 Prices	103.9	140.8	220.4	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
ARC	Actual asset replacement capex expenditure	CRC 6C	£m 09/10 Prices	64.0	54.6	27.3	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
AOC	Actual other capex expenditure	CRC 6C	£m 09/10 Prices	15.9	No Revision	20.6	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
ACO	Actual controllable opex	CRC 6C	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	22.4	26.7	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
ANC	Actual non-operational capex	CRC 6C	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	2.7	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
IAEEPS	Uncertain costs - enhanced security	CRC 6H	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
IAEWR	Uncertain costs – workforce renewal (SPTL only)	CRC 6H	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
IAEBT	Uncertain costs – BT 21st Century (SHETPLC only)	CRC 6H	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
IAEWL	Uncertain costs – compensation costs for landowners for wayleave (SHETPLC only)	CRC 6H	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
WWE	Baseline and strategic wider works outputs	CRC 6I	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
IWW	Network development and wider works volume driver (NGET only)	CRC 6J	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
EPIE	Enhancements to pre-existing infrastructure	CRC 6G	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
DRI	Demand related infrastructure volume driver	CRC 6L	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
UCE	Undergrounding volume driver	CRC 6K	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
GCE	Generation connections volume driver	CRC 6F	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	35.2	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
IRM	Innovation roll out mechanism	CRC 6E	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
IAESSCM	Exceptional Sub Sea Cable Faults	CRC 6H	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
IAENLUM	Non-load Related Work Costs	CRC 6H	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
TGIE	Tax liability - gearing/interest costs	CRC 6D	£m Nominal	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
TTE	Tax liability - tax trigger events	CRC 6D	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	-0.5	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
APFE	Pension scheme administration and Pension Protection Fund Levy	CRC 6D	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
EDE	Pension Scheme Established Deficit	CRC 6D	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision	No Revision
LAR	Legacy price control adjustments to allowed revenue	CRC 6A	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision							
LRAV	Legacy price control adjustments to RAV	CRC 6A	£m 09/10 Prices	No Revision							

SP Transmission plc		Financial Handbook	Price Base	31 March 2014
Incremental Legacy Adjustments used to calculate LAR				
SAR	Logged up and security costs adjustments	Chapter 15	£m 09/10 Prices	-0.1
TAR	Gearing and interest cost adjustments	Chapter 15	£m 09/10 Prices	0.0
CAR	Capex incentive scheme adjustments	Chapter 15	£m 09/10 Prices	10.7
IAR	Transmission asset owner incentive scheme	Chapter 15	£m 09/10 Prices	0.9
Incremental Legacy Adjustments used to calculate LRAV				
SRAV	Logged up and security costs adjustments	Chapter 15	£m 09/10 Prices	-3.7
CRAV	Capex incentive scheme adjustments	Chapter 15	£m 09/10 Prices	-25.2
IRAV	Transmission asset owner incentive scheme	Chapter 15	£m 09/10 Prices	0.0

