









#### **About UK Power Networks**

#### Three distribution networks:

- London;
- East of England; and
- South East of England.

Measure	Data	% of industry
End customers	8.2m	28%
Population served	c.20m	-
New metered connections*	46,000	32%
Distributed generation connected	8.5GW	31%
ED1 totex allowance (2012/13 prices)	£6,029m	25%
Energy distributed	84.8TWh	28%
Peak demand	16GW	N/A





#### Purpose of the presentation

To provide an overview of UK Power Networks' perspective on:

- Consumer engagement in co-designing our RIIO-1 plan;
- How engagement helps to continually shape our services; and
- Opportunities to further improve in RIIO-2.



## Our vision is informed by our employees, consumers and wider stakeholders



The safest The best employer



The most reliable
The best service
The most innovative
The most socially responsible



The lowest cost





#### Consumer engagement in co-designing our RIIO-ED1 plan

#### Comprehensive and Broad Engagement

- Over a 3-year period
- Wide range of stakeholders
- Quantitative & qualitative assessment

#### Making it relevant for consumers

- Understanding what matters and willingness to pay
- Genuine two-way dialogue
- Being transparent

### Making a difference to the plan

- 77 commitments
- Investment to support low carbon transition
- Strategic Network Investment

## Influencing our culture and strategy

- Defining "good" performance
- Clear strategy for delivery
- Engagement at all levels and in different ways



#### Continual engagement is critical to shape our services and business

e.g. Ask the expert Service / Surgeries Developing digital offerings Transforming our relationship with Independent Connection Providers

e.g. Partnering with London Sustainability Exchange to engage hard to reach communities (40k consumers)



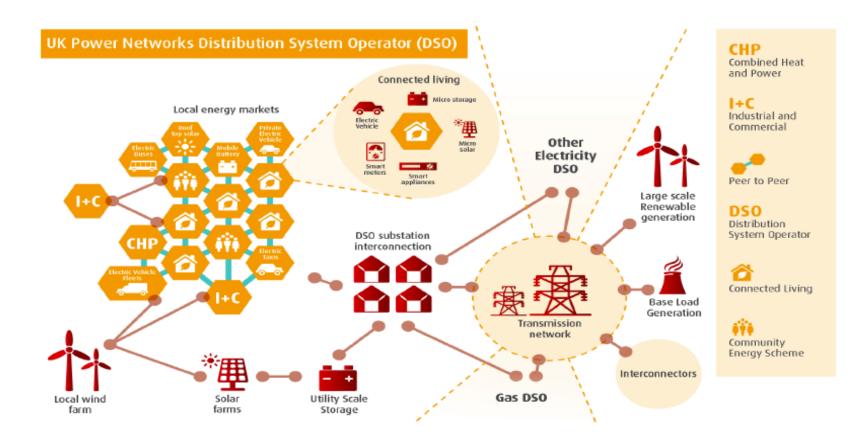
e.g. Getting electric vehicles moving - A quide for local authorities

> e.g. Collaborating with Community Energy South – energy efficiency advice to 1400 fuel poor customers

e.g. Refining our vision - social role



#### Our world is changing rapidly



Unpredictability

Complexity

Innovation

Pace

**Engagement framework and priorities must continue to evolve to meet new needs** 



#### **Opportunities to further improve in RIIO-2**



- Customer segmentation understanding diversity of needs
- Independent Consumer Challenge Panel
- Evidence that "Consumer Voice" is heard from Board down
- Paid representatives to ensure quality and consistency





Mitigate risk of stakeholder fatigue

- Simple, tailored messages
- Accessible language (not industry jargon)
- Easy to digest customer friendly
- Utilising the diversity of communication channels
- Importance of partnerships

- Show the value from engagement
- Measuring the benefits
- Joint work across the industry where beneficial

Companies should remain empowered to define their approach – one size does not fit all



# Thank you







