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1. What is the name of your company?	Roadnight Taylor Ltd																																		
2. Which DNO's ICE submission is your response related to (see Annex 2 for DNO map)? Please indicate clearly in your response to the questions below whether your comments refer to the DNO's plans as a whole, or to one of the DNO's licence areas. If you wish to provide a response to the ICE submission of more than one DNO, please use a separate template for each DNO.	UKPN (all licence areas)																																		
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Consultation questions

Section 1: Looking Back report 2016-17

We want your views on how well the DNOs have performed over the last year

1. Are you satisfied that the DNO had a comprehensive and robust strategy for engaging with connections stakeholders? Do you consider that the DNO implemented its strategy? If not, are you satisfied that the DNO has provided a reasonable and well-justified explanation?	Yes. We have been active in UKPN's licence areas for 2-3 years, have become active participants in its stakeholder engagement calendar for the last year or so, and I personally now sit on the DG scrutiny panel. We are very happy with the robustness of UKPN's approach to engagement, the strategy it set in motion, and the manner of its implementation. It takes engagement very seriously and does it very well. Whilst our default means of engagement with DNO connections teams is ad hoc, direct with planners and by telephone – we have been incredibly well served by the more formal UKPN surgery approach, which has been hugely impressive and very helpful. And the food at their 'live' mass-stakeholder events is legendary (which is important!).
2. Are you satisfied that the DNO had a comprehensive work plan of activities (with associated delivery dates) to meet the requirements of its connections stakeholders? Do you consider that the DNO delivered its work plan? If not, are you satisfied that the DNO has provided a reasonable and well-justified explanation?	Yes, and yes.
3. Do you consider that the DNO's work plan provided relevant outputs (eg key performance indicators, targets etc.)? Are you satisfied that the DNO has delivered these outputs? If not, do you view the reasons provided to be reasonable and well justified?	Yes, and yes.
4. Do you agree that the DNO's strategy, activities and outputs have taken into account ongoing feedback from a broad and inclusive range of connections	Yes.

stakeholders? If not, has the DNO provided reasonable justification?	
The following two questions refer to the specific areas we discuss in our letter – meeting the needs of all types of connections customers, and connecting when the networks are constrained.	
5. Do you consider that the DNO's activities and outputs over the past year were adequate in meeting the needs of all types of connection customers, including the particular needs of newer types of connection customers?	Yes.
6. Do you consider that the DNO's activities and outputs over the past year were adequate in meeting the needs of customers looking to connect when the networks are constrained?	Yes. UKPN has amongst the most extensive ANM rollouts and probably couldn't be expected to have achieved more in the year (although more would obviously have been beneficial). There was a slight hiccup with the level of associated curtailment data being provided, but the team reacted quickly enough to feedback in this regard.
Section 2: Looking Forward plans 2017-18	
We want your views on what the DNOs aim to achieve in the coming year	
7. Are you satisfied that the DNO has a comprehensive and robust strategy for engaging with connection stakeholders and facilitating joint discussions where appropriate?	Yes. Very much so.
8. Do you agree that the DNO has a comprehensive work plan of activities (with associated delivery dates) that will meet the requirements of its connection stakeholders? If not, has the DNO provided reasonable and well-justified reasons? What other activities should the DNOs do?	Yes.
9. Do you consider that the DNO has set relevant outputs that it will deliver during	Yes.

the regulatory year (eg key performance indicators, targets, etc.)?	
10. Would you agree that the DNO's proposed strategy, activities and outputs have been informed and endorsed by a broad and inclusive range of connection stakeholders? If they have not been endorsed, has the DNO provided robust evidence that it has pursued this?	Yes.
The following two questions refer to the specific areas we discuss in our letter – meeting the needs of all types of connections customers, and connecting when the networks are constrained.	
11. Do you consider that the DNO's planned activities and outputs will be sufficient to meet the needs of all types of connection customers, including the particular needs of newer types of connection customers? What other activities should the DNO undertake in this area?	<p>Yes.</p> <p>One little gripe – which has been formally raised: detailed and complete network maps are incredibly important (and in formats that work for customers), not least as we head into an A&D fee world. This is an area in which UKPN is investing significant effort, but will be stopping short of providing complete shape/KMZ files of the licence areas. This is a shame, but if the cost is too high, the cost is too high. Perhaps this is an area in which Ofgem could be supportive, as we can understand why UKPN would be loathed to invest millions?</p>
12. Do you consider that the DNO's planned activities and outputs will be sufficient to meet the needs of customers looking to connect when the networks are constrained? What other activities should the DNO undertake in this area?	<p>Other than its extensive work on ANM, UKPN is pioneering 'deep connect & manage' (down to 200kW!) across the T/D boundary. This is an extraordinary leap forward, and hopefully will pave the way for distribution-level connect & manage at EHV, and eventually below.</p> <p>Its work on power electronic fault-limiting circuit breakers is potentially very exciting too.</p>

Annex 2 - Map showing DNO licensee areas¹

Electricity Distribution



¹ Image from Electricity Networks Association (ENA) – note the ICE only applies to distribution networks operating in GB