

# The Pace of Change in Great Britain

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This monthly briefing paper from IPA Energy + Water Economics provides a brief update of the major consultations and announcements that impact on the development of the Great Britain wholesale electricity.

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## DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE (DECC)

**Title of press release: *Energy Security Analysis Welcomed***

**Title of report: *Energy Security: A National Challenge in a Changing World***

Published: 5 August  
Response due: N/A

Link to press release:

<http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn090/pn090.aspx>

Link to report:

[http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/what\\_we\\_do/change\\_energy/int\\_energy/security/security.aspx](http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/what_we_do/change_energy/int_energy/security/security.aspx)

DECC has published a report commissioned by the Prime Minister and written by Malcolm Wicks, the former Energy Minister and since October 2008 the Prime Minister's "Special Representative on International Energy", on the UK's energy security challenge. The press release states that Wicks:

*"... compliments the actions set out in the recently published [15 July] UK Low Carbon Transition Plan. It finds that many of the actions being taken to reduce climate risk also need to be sustained to tackle energy security."*

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**Title: *Delivering Secure Low Carbon Electricity: A Call for Evidence***

Published: 5 August  
Response due: 28 October

Link:

<http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/consultations/electricsecure/electricsecure.aspx>

DECC has published a "call for evidence" on issues associated with ensuring security of supply and decarbonising electricity generation. It is noted that, whilst it is thought that "*the risk to security of electricity supplies over the next decade is manageable...*", "*... the scale and pace of change required will test the electricity market during the transition to the low-carbon economy.*"

DECC has identified four key areas on which it is seeking views:

- the risks to future electricity security of supply;
  - the potential for smart demand to help manage these risks;
  - future challenges for the electricity system as we move to a less carbon intensive generation mix; and
  - a range of supply side options that could help manage these risks and challenges.
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**Title: *Green Light for Cheshire Waste Fuelled Power Station***

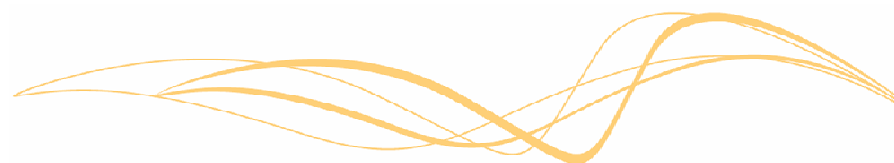
Published: 11 August  
Response due: N/A

Link:

<http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn091/pn091.aspx>

Section 36 approval has been granted for a 95 MW energy-from-waste plant at Ince in Cheshire.

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**Title of press release: *Miliband Takes Action on Queue to Connect New Power Generation to the Grid***

**Title of consultation: *Improving Grid Access***

Published: 25 August

Response due: 17 November

Link to press release:

<http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn093/pn093.aspx>

Link to consultation webpage:

<http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/consultations/open/open.aspx>

Following the announcement in July that the Secretary of State was using his powers to implement a new transmission access regime, DECC has issued a consultation on the options currently being contemplated. The consultation states that:

*“... reforms directed by the Secretary of State should be focussed primarily on those changes needed to accelerate grid access for new generators. A relatively narrow, proportionate and targeted intervention – in line with better regulation principles – should enable a timely resolution to the grid access delays that new entrants face.”*

Three options are considered, all based on the “Connect and Manage” approach. These are summarised as:

- *“Connect and Manage (Socialised): A model that fully socialises any additional constraint costs. Under these arrangements costs will be shared between all users of the network and ultimately borne by consumers;*
- *Connect and Manage (Hybrid): A model that targets some, but not all, of the additional constraint costs on new entrant power stations. These costs may be limited because of the incentive for new entrants to reduce their impact on overall costs through their choice of location and operation profile;*
- *Connect and Manage (Shared Cost and Commitment): A model that requires new and existing power stations to commit to the network in return for greater certainty over charges, or to opt out and be exposed to additional constraint costs.”*

The Government appears to have rejected an auction (or similar) option (which includes the so called “fourth model”) noting that:

*“... the Government’s initial view is that those models that re-allocate all network capacity through a form of auction are not likely to be compatible with our objectives. This is because these options create significant levels of disruption to existing generators, are too complicated, carry too much risk of delay and increase levels of uncertainty. Such impacts are not consistent with our desire for an investment environment that offers the right signals to meet our energy security as well as climate goals.”*

Also within the scope of the consultation are:

- distributed generation – the extent to which those categories of distributed generation that are dependent of transmission capacity and are covered by the current interim connect and manage arrangements should be included in the enduring access regime; and
- locational charging – the extent to which constraint costs should be targeted although it clearly notes that the benefits of cost reflective signals would need to be *“balanced against the potential adverse impact on renewable and other generation that we need to meet our objectives.”*

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**Title: *Approval Given for Biomass and Energy from Waste Fuelled Power Station in Tilbury Docks***

Published: 27 August

Response due: N/A

Link:

<http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn094/pn094.aspx>

Government has announced it has given consent to an application from Tilbury Green Power Limited (a subsidiary of Express Energy Holdings) for a 60 MW biomass and waste plant on a disused site at Tilbury Docks in Essex.

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## OFGEM

**Issue: Administrative Clarifications for the First Tender Round for Offshore Electricity Transmission Owner (OFTO) Licences**

**Title: *Administrative Clarifications Log***

Published: 6 August

Response due: N/A

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/offtrans/ott/tendocs/Documents1/Administrative%20Clarifications%20Note%20for%20Offshore%20Electricity%20Tenders.pdf>

Ofgem has published a log of “administrative clarifications” for the first tender round for OFTO licences.

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**Title: *Household Energy Bills Explained***

Published: 6 August

Response due: N/A

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/FactSheets/Documents1/updatedhouseholdbills09.pdf>

Ofgem has updated its factsheet on domestic energy bills. It shows that for the second half of 2008, UK domestic electricity prices (before taxes) were the third highest in the EU-15, but that gas prices were the lowest (of those reported), and notes that, “*when taxes are included, the UK’s electricity prices are even more competitive.*”

Environmental costs are estimated as (for 2009 or 2009/10 depending on the scheme):

- **EU ETS:** £24/year for each electricity customer;
  - **CERT:** £45/year for a customer using both gas and electricity;
  - **CESP:** £3/year for a customer using both gas and electricity; and
  - **RO:** £12/year for each electricity customer.
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**Title: *Letter to Supplier Chief Executive Officers***

Published: 6 August

Response due: N/A

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/AB193-09scl.pdf>

Ofgem has published a copy of a letter sent from Alistair Buchanan to the Chief Executives of the “big six” supply companies noting that wholesale prices have fallen and are expected to fall further this winter and stating that, “*we [Ofgem] would expect prices to respond to such falls,*” and stating that, “*I believe you owe it to consumers, ahead of the winter, to explain how cost changes, including falling wholesale costs, are likely to bear on future energy bills and I urge you to do this.*”

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## Title: *Energy Supply Probe – Proposed Retail Market Remedies*

Published: 7 August

Response due: 15 September (final date for objections to the Statutory Notices)

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/ensupro/Documents1/Retail%20package%20-%20decision%20document.pdf>

Ofgem has published its proposed “package of remedies”, and statutory consultation, for addressing problems within the retail energy supply market which were identified as part of its probe.

The document summarises the reforms as follows:

Within the domestic market:

- *“Improve the information they provide to customers by: stating on each bill the name of their tariff, their annual consumption and illustrated projected cost for the following year; and sending each customer an annual statement.*
- *Help vulnerable and indebted consumers who are currently blocked from changing suppliers due to outstanding debts, including by: permitting them to switch where a debt is the result of supplier error; increasing the threshold below which PPM customers are free to switch supplier and transfer debt to the new supplier, from £100 to £200; and giving them longer to repay their debt while still retaining their right to switch supplier and avoid a retrospective price increase.*
- *Improve the conduct of their sales and marketing activities, including by: ensuring that information provided is fair, clear and not misleading, and sales activities are conducted in an appropriate and professional manner; providing each consumer prior to any sale with a written estimate expressed in cost per year in pounds and, in certain circumstances, a comparison with the consumer’s current deal; and providing additional information at or shortly after the point of sale.”*

For small business consumers:

- *“to introduce a range of informational remedies aimed at improving small business consumers’ ability to engage with the energy market;*
- *to restrict suppliers’ ability to automatically roll small business consumers onto a fixed-term contract when their existing contract expires;*
- *to work with Consumer Focus to expand their accreditation scheme to cover switching sites operating in the business-to-business market; and*
- *that third party intermediaries develop existing or new codes of practice, and promote their use, to encourage best practice in the sector.”*

Finally, to improve market transparency:

- *“to require the Big 6 to publish on an annual basis detailed financial information on their profits, underlying costs and revenues; and*
- *to increase the depth of the monthly information that suppliers provide to us on switching and customer numbers.”*

Ofgem plans to implement licence changes that support phased implementation of the reforms over a six month period from when the licence changes are made, which it intends will be before October.

However, the consultation notes that if suppliers do not support implementation of the reforms within this timescale it will consider a reference to the Competition Commission.

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## Issue: New Supply Licence Obligations

**Title of press release:** *Ofgem Moves to Protect Consumers Paying by Direct Debit*  
**Title:** *Modification of the Standard Conditions of the Electricity Supply Licence under Section 11a of the Electricity Act 1989 – Notice of Reasons for the Decision to Modify the Standard Conditions of the Electricity Supply Licence Under Section 49a of the Electricity Act 1989*  
**Title of guidelines:** *Guidelines on Cost Reflectivity between Payment Methods and the Prohibition of Undue Discrimination in Domestic Gas and Electricity Supply Contracts*

Published: 7 August  
Effective from 1 September

Link to press release:  
[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/directdebit\\_7\\_2009.pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/directdebit_7_2009.pdf)

Link:  
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/ensuppro/Documents1/Statutory%20Notice%20Electricity.pdf>

Link to guidelines:  
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/ensuppro/Documents1/Guidelines%20on%20Cost%20Reflectivity%20and%20Undue%20Discrimination%20in%20Supply.pdf>

Ofgem has published the notice to suppliers that implements two new licence conditions that require suppliers to make the charges they apply for different payments methods reflect costs and the prohibition on undue discrimination in terms and conditions offered to customers. The changes come into effect on 1 September.

On the same day, Ofgem also published its guidance on how the requirements of these two new licence conditions will be interpreted and enforced.

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## **Title:** *Community Energy Saving Programme (CESP) 2009-2012 Generator and Supplier Guidance*

Published: 7 August  
Response due: 15 September

Link:  
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/EnergyEff/cesp/Documents1/CESP%20Generator%20and%20Supplier%20Guidance%201.pdf>

Ofgem has published draft guidance, for suppliers and generators, on how schemes developed to comply with the requirements of CESP (for 2009-2012) should be run.

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## **Title:** *Consumer Bulletin – Direct Debit Review Improving Customer Service*

Published: 11 August  
Response due: N/A

Link:  
[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Consumers/CF/Documents1/consumerbulletinaug09\(read\).pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Consumers/CF/Documents1/consumerbulletinaug09(read).pdf)

Ofgem has published a “bulletin” for consumers setting out the action it has taken (or is taking) to tackle problems encountered with direct debits and a number of other Ofgem activities aimed at tackling social issues.

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## **Title:** *Modification/Amendments with Ofgem for Decision – Indicative Timetable*

Published: 11 August  
Response due: N/A

Link:  
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/IndCodes/Documents1/Indicative%20decision%20dates%20for%20modification%20with%20Ofgem.pdf>

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## **Titles: *Complaints Handling Research Summary* *Complaints Handling: Audit, Research and Performance***

Published: 12 August  
Response due: N/A

Link to research summary:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Consumers/CF/Documents/1/CFcomplaintshandlingresearchsummary.pdf>

Link to audit:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Consumers/Representation/Documents/1/Complaints%20handling%20audit%20research%20and%20complaints%20statistics.pdf>

Ofgem has published a summary of the results of research, undertaken by Harris Interactive, into the new complaints handling standards. The results indicate that the majority of customers (domestic and micro-business) were disappointed with the experience and less than one in four customers were satisfied with the way their complaints were handled.

Ofgem also published findings from the audit of the new standards, undertaken by PKF. Whilst some issues were identified, the findings were generally positive about suppliers' compliance: *"Overall there was a high level of compliance with the new standards."*

The summary notes that Ofgem's Chief Executive has written to suppliers to ask them what they plan to do to take account of the findings of the research and audit.

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## **Title: *All Electricity Licensees – Registered Addresses***

Published: 18 August  
Response due: N/A

Link:

[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Document/s1/external\\_electricity\\_list\\_\(excel\)\(1\).pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Document/s1/external_electricity_list_(excel)(1).pdf)

## **Title: *Renewables Obligation – Total Obligation Levels for 2008-09***

Published: 18 August  
Response due: N/A

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/RenewableObl/Documents/1/Info%20Note%20ROC%20obligation%202008-09.pdf>

Ofgem has published details of the renewables obligation for 2008/2009: 28,975,678 MWh for the UK as a whole, split:

- England & Wales; 25,946,816 MWh;
- Scotland: 2,772,828 MWh; and
- Northern Ireland: 256,034 MWh.

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## **Title of press release: *Spending Plan Delivers £100 Million Hike in Help for Fuel Poor* Title of report: *Monitoring Suppliers' Social Programmes 2008-09***

Published: 18 August  
Response due: N/A

Link to press release:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Document/s1/Social%20Spend%202008-09.pdf>

Link to report:

[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/SocAction/Suppliers/CSR/Documents/1/Monitoring\\_suppliers\\_social\\_spend\\_2008\\_09\\_final.pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/SocAction/Suppliers/CSR/Documents/1/Monitoring_suppliers_social_spend_2008_09_final.pdf)

Ofgem has published its report on the actions that suppliers have taken to meet their social programme obligations.

It states that the "Big Six" energy suppliers spent £157m on "voluntary" social programmes during 2008/09 (approximately three times more than in the previous year), £130m of which was on their contribution to social tariffs.



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**Issue: Expenses Claims by Ofgem's Senior Staff**

**Titles: *Chairman and Senior Management Expenses 2008-09*  
*Chairman, Non-Executives and Senior Management expenses Q1 2009-10***

Published: 19 August  
Response due: N/A

Link for 08-09:  
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/foi/ps/wwwah/Documents1/Final%202008-09%20Senior%20Staff%20Expenses.pdf>

Link for Q1 09-10:  
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/foi/ps/wwwah/Documents1/Final%20Q1%202009-10%20Senior%20Staff%20Expenses.pdf>

Ofgem has made a "voluntary disclosure" of the expenses for travel, subsistence and entertainment/hospitality claimed by its Chairman and senior managers in 2008-09 and Q1 2009-10.

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**Title: *Re-consultation on Collective Licence Modification: Notice of Proposed Modifications of Standard Licence Condition C16 of the Electricity Transmission Licence under Section 11A of the Electricity Act 1989***

Published: 25 August  
Response due: 23 September

Link :  
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/WhlMkts/Compan dEff/CashoutRev/Documents1/Re-consultation%20on%20proposed%20changes%20to%20Standard%20Condition%20C16%20of%20the%20Electricity%20Transmission%20Licence.pdf>

Ofgem has issued a "re-consultation" on its proposal to modify Standard Licence Condition C16 "Procurement and Use of Balancing Services" of the transmission licence in order to support the implementation of BSC Alternative Modification P217A (Revised Tagging Process and Calculation of Cash Out Prices) which is due to be implemented on 5 November 2009.

This has been triggered by comments in a confidential response to the original consultation which indicated that the original definition of "transmission constraint" did not distinguish between situations where a "limit" is being exceeded and situations where a limit is being avoided.

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**Title: *Code Governance Review: Governance of Charging Methodologies: Initial Proposals***

Published: 26 August  
Response due: 9 October

Link:  
[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/IndCodes/CGR/Documents1/CM\\_InitialProposals1.pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/IndCodes/CGR/Documents1/CM_InitialProposals1.pdf)

Ofgem has published its initial proposals on the changes it considers necessary to improve the governance of the development of the network charging methodologies and increase the role of network users in promoting change.

Further to its Impact Assessment, Ofgem has concluded that there is benefit in allowing network users to propose changes to the charging methodologies and it is now consulting on how to implement this proposal, focussing on its original options 2 and 3:

- *"Option 2: Refining the existing licence arrangements. The network licences would be refined to enable network users and consumer representatives to propose modifications to the charging methodologies. The NWOs would assess and consult on these proposals and submit them to the Authority for decision."*
  - *"Option 3: Industry Codes Governance. The charging methodologies would be transferred into the relevant existing industry codes. Parties to those industry codes would be able to propose changes, which would be submitted to the Authority for decision."*
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**Title of press release: *Fall in Domestic Energy Customer Disconnections***

**Title of report: *Domestic Suppliers' Social Obligations: 2008 Annual Report***

Published: 27 August  
Response due: N/A

Link to press release:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/PR%20Social%20Obligations%20FINAL.pdf>

Link to report:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/SocAction/Monitoring/SoObMonitor/Documents1/2008%20Supplier%20Social%20Obligations%20Annual%20Report.pdf>

Ofgem has published details of domestic suppliers' social obligations in relation to debt and disconnection, prepayment meters and services for vulnerable customers. The key findings are:

- *“Energy debt levels and the number of people repaying debt in 2008 have broadly remained static. Average weekly repayment amounts have however generally increased;*
  - *There were just under 6000 disconnections in 2008 – a reduction of nearly a third compared to the previous year;*
  - *The overall number of customers paying by PPM has broadly remained static but there was a reduction in the number of PPMs installed during 2008 compared to 2007;*
  - *There has been a sharp increase in the number of customers on suppliers' Priority Services Registers and who have received energy efficiency information.”*
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**Title: *Carbon Emissions Reduction (CER) Target Update – Issue 5 August 2009***

Published: 28 August  
Response due: N/A

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/EnergyEff/CU/Documents1/CERT%20Update%20Final.pdf>

This is the fifth report on suppliers' progress in meeting their Carbon Emissions Reduction Target (CERT) obligations.

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**Title: *Accredited Stations for Renewables Obligation as at 27 August 2009***

Published: 28 August  
Response due: N/A

Link:

[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/RenewablStat/Documents1/Accredited%20Stations%20for%20RO\\_27%20Aug%202009.xls](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/RenewablStat/Documents1/Accredited%20Stations%20for%20RO_27%20Aug%202009.xls)

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## LICENCES

### Electricity Licence Applications in August 2009

**Company: Better Business Energy Limited**  
**Licence: Supply (Non Domestic)**

Application made: 6 August  
Published: 11 August

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Notices/ApplyNotices/Documents1/BBE%20elec.pdf>

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**Company: S. C. Isramart SRL**  
**Licence: Supply (Non Domestic)**

Application made: 13 August  
Published: 24 August

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Notices/ApplyNotices/Documents1/Isramart%20esup%20application%20notice.pdf>

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**Company: Thorpe Marsh Power Limited**  
**Licence: Generation**

Application made: 25 August  
Published: 25 August

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Notices/ApplyNotices/Documents1/thorpemarsh%20notice.pdf>

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### Electricity Licences Issued in August 2009

**Company: Dual Energy Direct Limited**  
**Licence: Supply (Non Domestic)**

Notice published: 11 August (dated 6 August)  
Effective from: 6 August

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Notices/Licences/Documents1/DEDL%20website%20notice.pdf>

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**Company: Powerfuel Power Limited**  
**Licence: Generation**

Notice published: 11 August (dated 10 August)  
Effective from: 6 August

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Notices/Licences/Documents1/PPL%20website%20notice.pdf>

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## GB SYSTEM OPERATOR (SO)

### Issue: GB System Operator Incentives Consultations

**Titles: National Grid Electricity Transmission System Operator Incentives for 1 April 2010 – Consultation on the Development of Incentives for Reactive Power, Transmission Losses and Black Start**

**National Grid Electricity Transmission System Operator Incentives for 1 April 2010 – Consultation on Developments of the Incentive for the Energy Related Components of the Balancing Services Use of System (BSUoS) Costs**

Published: 4 August & 20 August  
Response due: 2 & 18 September respectively

#### Links:

<http://www.nationalgrid.com/NR/rdonlyres/7C4BD8D-D-E71B-48F5-95E9-B611AD73CB9D/36153/ElectricitySOIncentivesConsultation.pdf>

[http://www.nationalgrid.com/NR/rdonlyres/95D86B4-2-F2A4-4317-83D5-551F9AE27D7E/36514/Energyconsultation\\_final.pdf](http://www.nationalgrid.com/NR/rdonlyres/95D86B4-2-F2A4-4317-83D5-551F9AE27D7E/36514/Energyconsultation_final.pdf)

National Grid has launched the process under which it develops proposals for its “SO incentive”, to start on 1 April 2010, with the publication of two “mini” consultation documents: one on incentives for reactive power, transmission losses and black start, and the other dealing with the energy-related components of BSUoS costs.

National Grid is currently aiming to consult on its “Initial Proposals” in October, with an “industry event/workshop” timetabled for November.

The key themes in the first consultation are:

- **Reactive Power:** “... the appropriateness of the development of a multi-year scheme and how the implementation of a reactive power index may facilitate this,” and “... whether a separate unbundled reactive power incentive would benefit the industry.”
- **Transmission Losses:** “... the level of control the SO has over transmission losses and whether it is appropriate that the SO is incentivised in the current manner,” and “potential alternative incentive methodologies that could be developed,”
- **Black Start:** “... changes in the next 2 – 5 years to Black Start provision and the associated increase in costs” and the “... development of an incentive methodology against a changing generation background.”

The second consultation considers:

- “A number of key drivers impact the costs of the energy related components, some of which may be considered outside of National Grid control.
  - The current incentive scheme contains a factor (Net Imbalance Adjustment or NIA) that adjusts the scheme’s target to changes in power price and market length. NIA was amended from April 2009 following industry consultation.
  - This consultation considers potential further improvements to NIA.
  - Potential for a longer term incentive scheme.
  - Potential to unbundle energy related components into a separate incentive scheme.”
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## DISTRIBUTION NETWORK OPERATOR (DNO)

### Charging Methodology Decisions and Proposals

**Title: *Status of Modifications to [DNO's] Use of System and Connection Charging Methodology Statements***

Published: 12, 19, and 24 August  
Response due: N/A

Link:  
[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/Modifiable\\_Mod\\_Table5.pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/Modifiable_Mod_Table5.pdf)

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**Title: *Impact of Common Distribution Charging Methodology and DPCR5 on Distribution Customer Charges from 1 April 2010***

Letter Published: 4 August  
Response due: N/A

Link:  
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgs/Documents1/Impact%20of%20CDCM%20and%20DP5%20on%20distribution%20charges%20from%201%20April%202010%20customer%20letter.pdf>

Ofgem has published an open letter which notes that the combined effect of the new distribution price control review and charging arrangements are:

*"... likely to have significant impact on the level of charges faced by different customer groups from 1 April 2010 ..."*

and particularly that

*"Some customer groups may see significant increases in their distribution use of system charges."*

DNOs will publish indicative tariffs for 1 April 2010 in December 2009.

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**Title: *ESP1 – Modification Proposal Concerning Use of System Charging Methodology Housekeeping Changes***

Raised by: ESP Electricity Ltd  
Published: 6 August

Link:  
[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/ESPE%20Mod%20Proposal%20Letter%20\(2\).pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/ESPE%20Mod%20Proposal%20Letter%20(2).pdf)

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**Title: *SPEN-09-03 – Amendment of Scottish Power Energy Network's (SP Manweb and SP Distribution) Use of System Charging Methodologies for IDNO Networks***

Raised by: SP Manweb and SP Distribution  
Published: 10 August

Link:  
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/IDNO%20DUoS%20Methodology%20Mod%20Rep%20SPEN0903%20v2.pdf>

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**Title: *Scottish & Southern Power Distribution ("SSE") Electricity Distribution Use of System Charging Methodology: Interim IDNO Tariffs***

Decision: **APPROVE (not vetoed)**  
Published: 12 August  
Effective from: 1 April 2009

Link:  
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/Final%20decision%20letter%20SEPD.pdf>

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**Title: *Amendment Proposal to Central Networks East plc's Connection Charging Methodology: Assessment and Design Fees, Worked Examples and Indicative Charge Tables (CNE Mod 090715)***

Decision: **APPROVE (not vetoed)**  
Published: 14 August  
Effective from: 1 September 2009

Link:  
<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/CNE%20090715%20decision%20letter.pdf>

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**Title: *Consultation on 001/2009 Proposal from Central Networks to Implement an Interim IDNO Use of System Charging Methodology and Charges***

Published: 19 August (dated 18 August)  
Response due: 15 September

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/CN%20IDNO%20Consultation.pdf>

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**Title: *Consultation on proposals CE 0013N/2009 and CE 0013Y/2009 for CE Electric UK plc (CE) to Introduce Specific Use of System (UoS) Charges from Independent Distribution Network Operators (IDNOs)***

Published: 24 August (dated 21 August)  
Response due: 18 September

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/CE%20Interim%20IDNO%20Consultation.pdf>

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## Distribution Price Control 5

**Title: *Ofgem's £6.5 billion Investment Proposals to Boost Customer Service and Cut Carbon from Regional Electricity Networks***

Published: 3 August  
Response due: 14 September

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Document/s1/DP5%20final%20-%20030809.pdf>

Ofgem has started consulting on the next distribution price control.

**Title: *Electricity Distribution Price Control Review Initial Proposals***

Link:

[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceControls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals\\_1\\_Core%20document.pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceControls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals_1_Core%20document.pdf)

**Title: *Electricity Distribution Price Control Review Initial Proposals – Incentives and Obligations***

Link:

[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceControls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals\\_2\\_Incentives%20and%20Obligations.pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceControls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals_2_Incentives%20and%20Obligations.pdf)

**Title: *Electricity Distribution Price Control Review Initial Proposals – Allowed Revenue – Cost Assessment***

Link:

[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceControls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals\\_3\\_Allowed%20revenue%20cost%20assessment.pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceControls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals_3_Allowed%20revenue%20cost%20assessment.pdf)

**Title: *Electricity Distribution Price Control Review Initial Proposals – Allowed Revenues and Financial Issues***

Link:

[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceControls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals\\_4\\_Allowed%20revenue%20financial%20issues.pdf](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceControls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals_4_Allowed%20revenue%20financial%20issues.pdf)



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**Title: *DPCR5 Initial Proposals Analyst & Investor Presentation 3 August 2009***

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/CL/Documents1/DPCR5%20City%20presentation%203%20Aug.pdf>

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**Title: *Ofgem – DPCR5 Non-Operational Property Cost Review***

Published: 7 August (dated 30 July)  
Response due: N/A

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/CostRep/Documents1/DPCR5%20Non-Op%20Property%20Review%20-%20Drivers%20Jonas%20Report.pdf>

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**Title: *Seminar on Price Control Pension Principles***

Published: 13 August  
Date and venue: 2:00 p.m. 8 September; Ofgem's London offices

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/Documents1/Open%20letter%20on%202nd%20pension%20seminar.pdf>

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**Title: *Electricity Distribution Price Control Review: 2010-15 – Financial Model for Initial Proposals***

Published: 17 August  
Response due: N/A

Link to web page:

[http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Pages/MoreInformation.aspx?file=Cover note DPCR5 IP.pdf&refer=Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/DPCR5](http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Pages/MoreInformation.aspx?file=Cover%20note%20DPCR5%20IP.pdf&refer=Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/DPCR5)

Link to cover letter:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/DPCR5/Documents1/Cover%20note%20DPCR5%20IP.pdf>

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## Miscellaneous

**Title: *Electricity Connections Sub Group Minutes – 7 May 2009***

Published: 4 August  
Response due: N/A

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/Connectns/ElecConnSteerGrp/Documents1/DPCR5%20ECESG%20Sub%20groups%20-%207%20May%202009%20short%20summary.pdf>

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**Title: *Report on the Electricity Distribution Customer Service Reward Scheme 2008/09***

Published: 5 August  
Response due: N/A

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/QualofServ/CustServRewSch/Documents1/Decision%20Report%20for%202008-09%20Electricity%20Distribution%20Customer%20Service%20Reward%20Scheme.pdf>

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**Title: *Electricity Distribution Loss Percentages by Distribution Network Operator (DNO) Area***

Published: 5 August  
Response due: N/A

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Documents1/Distribution%20Units%20and%20Loss%20Percentages%20Summary.pdf>

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**Title: *Distribution Network Operators (DNO) and Independent Distribution Network Operators (IDNO) Steering Group, 2 September 2009***

Published: 28 August  
Response due: N/A

Link:

<http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/IDNOs/Documents1/marks%20agenda.pdf>

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## BALANCING AND SETTLEMENT CODE (BSC)

### Joiners

#### **Koch Commodities Europe Limited**

Party ID: KCEL  
Non-Physical Trader

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#### **ECC European Commodity Clearing AG**

Party ID: ECC  
Non-Physical Trader and Energy Contract Volume  
Notification Agent (ECVNA)

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#### **Severn Power Limited**

Party ID: DONGSVR  
Generator

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### New Modifications

#### **P244 Provision of BritNed Flow Data to the BMRS**

Raised by: National Grid  
Raised on: 28 August

Link:  
[http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Change\\_and\\_Implementation/modifications/244/P244.pdf](http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Change_and_Implementation/modifications/244/P244.pdf)

National Grid has proposed that a fuel type category should be added to the BMRS reports on generation published by fuel type to accommodate the new BritNed (England to Netherlands) Interconnector which is scheduled to begin operating in late 2010.

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### Non Modification Business

#### **Title: *Market Index Definition Statement (MIDS) 2009 Review***

Published: 27 August  
Response due: 10 September

Link:  
[http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Consultations/Market\\_Index\\_Definition\\_Statement\\_\(MIDS\)\\_2009\\_Review\\_Consultation/Market\\_Index\\_Definition\\_Statement\\_\(MIDS\)\\_Review\\_2009\\_Consultation\\_Document.pdf](http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Consultations/Market_Index_Definition_Statement_(MIDS)_2009_Review_Consultation/Market_Index_Definition_Statement_(MIDS)_Review_2009_Consultation_Document.pdf)

ELEXON has issued a consultation on the recommendations of the Imbalance Settlement Group (ISG) following the latest analysis/review of the Market Index Definition Statement (MIDS). The ISG's final recommendations will be presented to the BSC Panel on 8 October after consultation responses have been analysed.

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#### **Title: *Review of Risk Evaluation Register and Risk Operating Plan***

Published: 28 August  
Response due: 11 September

Link:  
[http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Consultations/Consultation\\_on\\_Review\\_of\\_Risk\\_Evaluation\\_Register\\_and\\_Risk\\_Operating\\_Plan/RER\\_ROP\\_2010\\_11\\_Consultation\\_Questions\\_v2.0.doc](http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Consultations/Consultation_on_Review_of_Risk_Evaluation_Register_and_Risk_Operating_Plan/RER_ROP_2010_11_Consultation_Questions_v2.0.doc)  
Link to supporting documents:  
<http://www.elexon.co.uk/consultations/default.aspx>

ELEXON has issued a consultation on the Review of Risk Evaluation Register (RER) and Risk Operating Plan (ROP) for 2010/11 which it notes also includes within-period revisions to the 2009/10 RER and ROP.

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## EUROPEAN UNION

**Title: *Climate Change: Commission Welcomes Provisional 2008 Data Showing Further EU Progress Towards Kyoto Targets***

Published: 31 August

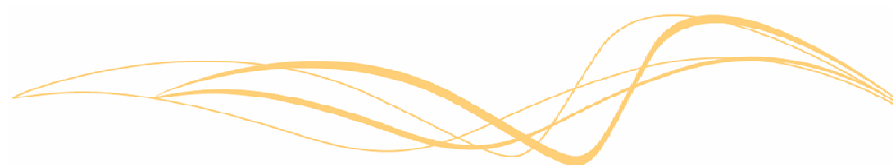
Response due: N/A

Link:

<http://europa.eu/rapid/pressReleasesAction.do?reference=IP/09/1260&format=HTML&aged=0&language=EN&guiLanguage=en>

Provisional data indicates that greenhouse gas emissions from the EU fell in 2008 for the fourth year in succession.

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## SUMMARY OF CONSULTATIONS/PUBLICATIONS AND BSC/CUSC MODIFICATIONS AND DECISIONS

Please note that whilst considerable effort is made to keep this up to date some, possibly important, consultations and announcements will inevitably have been missed. Readers should also refer to the relevant documents to confirm response dates.

### Consultations Carried Over from Previous Months

Issuer	Title / Link	Date	Response Due
DECC	<b>Clean coal to support up to 60,000 UK jobs</b> <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn061/pn061.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn061/pn061.aspx</a> <b>A framework for the development of clean coal: consultation document</b> <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/consultations/clean_coal/clean_coal.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/consultations/clean_coal/clean_coal.aspx</a>	17 Jun	9 Sep
DECC	<b>Consultation on first stage Transposition of the revised EU ETS Directive</b> <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/consultations/etstranspos1/etstranspos1.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/consultations/etstranspos1/etstranspos1.aspx</a> Link to Directive: <a href="http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2009:140:0063:0087:EN:PDF">http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2009:140:0063:0087:EN:PDF</a>	24 Jun	16 Sep
GB SO	<b>Winter Outlook – 2009/10 Winter Consultation Report</b> <a href="http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Gas/TYS/outlook/">http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Gas/TYS/outlook/</a>	30 Jun	11 Sep



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DECC	<p><b>UK Low Carbon Transition Plan – launch</b>  <a href="http://nds.coi.gov.uk/clientmicrosite/Content/Detail.aspx?ClientId=431&amp;NewsAreaId=2&amp;ReleaseId=404653&amp;SubjectId=36">http://nds.coi.gov.uk/clientmicrosite/Content/Detail.aspx?ClientId=431&amp;NewsAreaId=2&amp;ReleaseId=404653&amp;SubjectId=36</a></p> <p><b>UK at forefront of a low carbon economic revolution</b>  <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn081/pn081.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn081/pn081.aspx</a></p> <p><b>Low Carbon Transition Plan: Statement to the House of Commons</b>  <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/lctp_statement/lctp_statement.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/lctp_statement/lctp_statement.aspx</a></p> <p><b>The UK Low Carbon Transition Plan</b>  <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/publications/lc_trans_plan/lc_trans_plan.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/publications/lc_trans_plan/lc_trans_plan.aspx</a></p> <p><b>The Renewable Energy Strategy</b>  <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/what_we_do/uk_supply/energy_mix/renewable/res/res.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/what_we_do/uk_supply/energy_mix/renewable/res/res.aspx</a></p> <p><b>The Low Carbon Industrial Strategy</b>  <b>Low Carbon Transport: A Greener Future</b>  <a href="http://www.hmg.gov.uk/lowcarbon">http://www.hmg.gov.uk/lowcarbon</a></p> <p><b>Consultation on Renewable Electricity Financial Incentives 2009</b>            Link to Financial Incentives consultation:  <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/consultations/elec_financial/elec_financial.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/consultations/elec_financial/elec_financial.aspx</a></p>	15 Jul	15 Oct for financial incentives
Ofgem	<p><b>Connections Industry Review 2007-08</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Pages/MoreInformation.aspx?file=Connections%20Industry%20Review%202007%202008.pdf&amp;refer=Networks/Connections/ConnIndRev">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Pages/MoreInformation.aspx?file=Connections%20Industry%20Review%202007%202008.pdf&amp;refer=Networks/Connections/ConnIndRev</a></p>	20 Jul	13 Nov
Ofgem	<p><b>EDF Energy Fined £2 million for Poor Customer Service on Network Connections</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/EDFconnections_July2009.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/EDFconnections_July2009.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Notice of the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority's proposal to impose a financial penalty, following an investigation into compliance with SLC 4D and SLC 12 of the electricity distribution licence by EDF Energy Networks (EPN) plc, EDF Energy Networks (LPN) plc and EDF Energy Networks (SPN) plc</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/enforcement/Investigations/ClosedInvest/Documents1/Notice%20under%20section%2027A%20of%20the%20Electricity%20Act%201989.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/enforcement/Investigations/ClosedInvest/Documents1/Notice%20under%20section%2027A%20of%20the%20Electricity%20Act%201989.pdf</a></p>	24 Jul	1 Sep



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Ofgem	<p><b>Ofgem Proposes Measures to Speed up Reform to Energy Industry Rules</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/Major%20policy%20reviews.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/Major%20policy%20reviews.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Code Governance Review: Major Policy Reviews and Self-Governance – Initial Proposals 84/09</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/IndCodes/CGR/Documents1/Major%20Policy%20Reviews%20and%20Self%20Governance%20Initial%20Proposals%2024%20July%202009%20PUBLISHED%20VERSION.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/IndCodes/CGR/Documents1/Major%20Policy%20Reviews%20and%20Self%20Governance%20Initial%20Proposals%2024%20July%202009%20PUBLISHED%20VERSION.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Code Governance Review – Role of Code Administrators and Small Participant/Consumer Initiatives – Initial Proposals</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/IndCodes/CGR/Documents1/Code%20Governance%20Review%20-%20role%20of%20code%20administrators%20and%20small%20participant-consumer%20initiatives%20-%20initial%20proposals.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/IndCodes/CGR/Documents1/Code%20Governance%20Review%20-%20role%20of%20code%20administrators%20and%20small%20participant-consumer%20initiatives%20-%20initial%20proposals.pdf</a></p>	24 Jul	18 Sep



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## New Consultations/Publications

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Ofgem	<p><b>Ofgem's £6.5 billion Investment Proposals to Boost Customer Service and Cut Carbon from Regional Electricity Networks</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/DP5%20final%20-%20030809.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/DP5%20final%20-%20030809.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Electricity Distribution Price Control Review Initial Proposals</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Pric eCntrls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals_1_Core%20document.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Pric eCntrls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals_1_Core%20document.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Electricity Distribution Price Control Review Initial Proposals – Incentives and Obligations</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Pric eCntrls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals_2_Incentives%20and%20Obligations.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Pric eCntrls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals_2_Incentives%20and%20Obligations.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Electricity Distribution Price Control Review Initial Proposals – Allowed Revenue – Cost Assessment</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Pric eCntrls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals_3_Allowed%20revenue%20cost%20assessm ent.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Pric eCntrls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals_3_Allowed%20revenue%20cost%20assessm ent.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Electricity Distribution Price Control Review Initial Proposals – Allowed Revenues and Financial Issues</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Pric eCntrls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals_4_Allowed%20revenue%20financial%20issue s.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Pric eCntrls/DPCR5/Documents1/Initial%20Proposals_4_Allowed%20revenue%20financial%20issue s.pdf</a></p> <p><b>DPCR5 Initial Proposals Analyst &amp; Investor Presentation 3 August 2009</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/CL/Documents1/DPCR5%20City%20presentation%203 %20Aug.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/CL/Documents1/DPCR5%20City%20presentation%203 %20Aug.pdf</a></p>	3 Aug	14 Sep
GB SO	<p><b>National Grid Electricity Transmission System Operator Incentives for 1 April 2010 – Consultation on the Development of Incentives for Reactive Power, Transmission Losses and Black Start</b>  <a href="http://www.nationalgrid.com/NR/rdonlyres/7C4B D8DD-E71B-48F5-95E9-B611AD73CB9D/36153/ElectricitySOIncentives Consultation.pdf">http://www.nationalgrid.com/NR/rdonlyres/7C4B D8DD-E71B-48F5-95E9-B611AD73CB9D/36153/ElectricitySOIncentives Consultation.pdf</a></p>	4 Aug	2 Sep
Ofgem	<p><b>Impact of Common Distribution Charging Methodology and DPCR5 on Distribution Customer Charges from 1 April 2010</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgs/Documents1/Impact%20of%20CD CM%20and%20DP5%20on%20distribution%20charges%20from%201%20April%202010%20customer%20letter.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgs/Documents1/Impact%20of%20CD CM%20and%20DP5%20on%20distribution%20charges%20from%201%20April%202010%20customer%20letter.pdf</a></p>	4 Aug	N/A



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Ofgem	<b>Electricity Connections Sub Group Minutes – 7 May 2009</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/Connectns/ElecConnSteerGrp/Documents1/DPCR5%20ECSG%20Sub%20groups%20-%207%20May%202009%20short%20summary.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/Connectns/ElecConnSteerGrp/Documents1/DPCR5%20ECSG%20Sub%20groups%20-%207%20May%202009%20short%20summary.pdf</a>	4 Aug	N/A
DECC	<b>Energy Security Analysis Welcomed</b> <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn090/pn090.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn090/pn090.aspx</a> <b>Energy Security: A National Challenge in a Changing World</b> <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/what_we_do/change_energy/int_energy/security/security.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/what_we_do/change_energy/int_energy/security/security.aspx</a>	5 Aug	N/A
DECC	<b>Delivering Secure Low Carbon Electricity: A Call for Evidence</b> <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/consultations/electricsecure/electricsecure.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/consultations/electricsecure/electricsecure.aspx</a>	5 Aug	28 Oct
Ofgem	<b>Report on the Electricity Distribution Customer Service Reward Scheme 2008/09</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/QualofServ/CustServRewSch/Documents1/Decision%20Report%20for%202008-09%20Electricity%20Distribution%20Customer%20Service%20Reward%20Scheme.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/QualofServ/CustServRewSch/Documents1/Decision%20Report%20for%202008-09%20Electricity%20Distribution%20Customer%20Service%20Reward%20Scheme.pdf</a>	5 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<b>Electricity Distribution Loss Percentages by Distribution Network Operator (DNO) Area</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Documents1/Distribution%20Units%20and%20Loss%20Percentages%20Summary.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Documents1/Distribution%20Units%20and%20Loss%20Percentages%20Summary.pdf</a>	5 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<b>Administrative Clarifications Log</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/offtrans/ott/te ndocs/Documents1/Administrative%20Clarifications%20Note%20for%20Offshore%20Electricity%20Tenders.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/offtrans/ott/te ndocs/Documents1/Administrative%20Clarifications%20Note%20for%20Offshore%20Electricity%20Tenders.pdf</a>	6 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<b>Household Energy Bills Explained</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/FactSheets/Documents1/updatedhouseholdbills09.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/FactSheets/Documents1/updatedhouseholdbills09.pdf</a>	6 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<b>Letter to Supplier Chief Executive Officers</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/AB193-09scl.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/AB193-09scl.pdf</a>	6 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<b>ESP1 – Modification Proposal Concerning Use of System Charging Methodology Housekeeping Changes</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/ESPE%20Mod%20Proposal%20Letter%20(2).pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/ESPE%20Mod%20Proposal%20Letter%20(2).pdf</a>	6 Aug	N/A



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Ofgem	<p><b>Ofgem Moves to Protect Consumers Paying by Direct Debit</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/directdebit_7_2009.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/directdebit_7_2009.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Modification of the Standard Conditions of the Electricity Supply Licence under Section 11a of the Electricity Act 1989 – Notice of Reasons for the Decision to Modify the Standard Conditions of the Electricity Supply Licence Under Section 49a of the Electricity Act 1989</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/ensuppro/Documents1/Statutory%20Notice%20Electricity.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/ensuppro/Documents1/Statutory%20Notice%20Electricity.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Guidelines on Cost Reflectivity between Payment Methods and the Prohibition of Undue Discrimination in Domestic Gas and Electricity Supply Contracts</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/ensuppro/Documents1/Guidelines%20on%20Cost%20Reflectivity%20and%20Undue%20Discrimination%20in%20Supply.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/ensuppro/Documents1/Guidelines%20on%20Cost%20Reflectivity%20and%20Undue%20Discrimination%20in%20Supply.pdf</a></p>	7 Aug	Effective 1 Sep
Ofgem	<p><b>Energy Supply Probe – Proposed Retail Market Remedies</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/ensuppro/Documents1/Retail%20package%20-%20decision%20document.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/RetMkts/ensuppro/Documents1/Retail%20package%20-%20decision%20document.pdf</a></p>	7 Aug	15 Sep
Ofgem	<p><b>Community Energy Saving Programme (CESP) 2009-2012 Generator and Supplier Guidance</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/EnergyEff/cesp/Documents1/CESP%20Generator%20and%20Supplier%20Guidance%201.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/EnergyEff/cesp/Documents1/CESP%20Generator%20and%20Supplier%20Guidance%201.pdf</a></p>	7 Aug	15 Sep
Ofgem	<p><b>Ofgem – DPCR5 Non-Operational Property Cost Review</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PricingCtrls/CostRep/Documents1/DPCR5%20Non-Op%20Property%20Review%20-%20Drivers%20Jonas%20Report.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/PricingCtrls/CostRep/Documents1/DPCR5%20Non-Op%20Property%20Review%20-%20Drivers%20Jonas%20Report.pdf</a></p>	7 Aug (dated 30 Jul)	N/A
Ofgem	<p><b>SPEN-09-03 – Amendment of Scottish Power Energy Network's (SP Manweb and SP Distribution) Use of System Charging Methodologies for IDNO Networks</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/IDNO%20DUoS%20Methodology%20Mod%20Rep%20SPEN0903%20v2.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/IDNO%20DUoS%20Methodology%20Mod%20Rep%20SPEN0903%20v2.pdf</a></p>	10 Aug	N/A
DECC	<p><b>Green Light for Cheshire Waste Fuelled Power Station</b>  <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn091/pn091.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn091/pn091.aspx</a></p>	11 Aug	N/A



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Ofgem	<b>Consumer Bulletin – Direct Debit Review Improving Customer Service</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Consumers/CF/Documents1/consumerbulletinaug09(read).pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Consumers/CF/Documents1/consumerbulletinaug09(read).pdf</a>	11 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<b>Modification/Amendments with Ofgem for Decision – Indicative Timetable</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/IndCodes/Documents1/Indicative%20decision%20dates%20for%20modification%20with%20Ofgem.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/IndCodes/Documents1/Indicative%20decision%20dates%20for%20modification%20with%20Ofgem.pdf</a>	11 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<b>Complaints Handling Research Summary</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Consumers/CF/Documents1/CFcomplaintshandlingresearchsummary.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Consumers/CF/Documents1/CFcomplaintshandlingresearchsummary.pdf</a> <b>Complaints Handling: Audit, Research and Performance</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Consumers/Representation/Documents1/Complaints%20handling%20audit%20research%20and%20complaints%20statistics.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Consumers/Representation/Documents1/Complaints%20handling%20audit%20research%20and%20complaints%20statistics.pdf</a>	12 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<b>Scottish &amp; Southern Power Distribution (“SSE”) Electricity Distribution Use of System Charging Methodology: Interim IDNO Tariffs</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/Final%20decision%20letter%20SEPD.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/Final%20decision%20letter%20SEPD.pdf</a>	12 Aug	Effective 1 Apr 09
Ofgem	<b>Seminar on Price Control Pension Principles</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/Documents1/Open%20letter%20on%202nd%20pension%20seminar.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/Documents1/Open%20letter%20on%202nd%20pension%20seminar.pdf</a>	13 Aug	8 Sep
Ofgem	<b>Amendment Proposal to Central Networks East plc’s Connection Charging Methodology: Assessment and Design Fees, Worked Examples and Indicative Charge Tables (CNE Mod 090715)</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/CNE%20090715%20decision%20letter.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/CNE%20090715%20decision%20letter.pdf</a>	14 Aug	Effective 1 Sep
Ofgem	<b>Electricity Distribution Price Control Review: 2010-15 – Financial Model for Initial Proposals</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Pages/MoreInformation.aspx?file=Cover%20note%20DPCR5%20IP.pdf&amp;refer=Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/DPCR5">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Pages/MoreInformation.aspx?file=Cover note DPCR5 IP.pdf&amp;refer=Networks/ElecDist/PriceCtrls/DPCR5</a>	17 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<b>All Electricity Licensees – Registered Addresses</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Documents1/external_electricity_list_(excel)(1).pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/Work/Documents1/external_electricity_list_(excel)(1).pdf</a>	18 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<b>Renewables Obligation – Total Obligation Levels for 2008-09</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/RenewablObl/Documents1/Info%20Note%20ROC%20obligation%202008-09.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/RenewablObl/Documents1/Info%20Note%20ROC%20obligation%202008-09.pdf</a>	18 Aug	N/A



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Ofgem	<p><b>Spending Plan Delivers £100 Million Hike in Help for Fuel Poor</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/Social%20Spend%202008-09.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents1/Social%20Spend%202008-09.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Monitoring Suppliers' Social Programmes 2008-09</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/SocAction/Suppliers/CSR/Documents1/Monitoring_suppliers_social_spend_2008_09_final.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/SocAction/Suppliers/CSR/Documents1/Monitoring_suppliers_social_spend_2008_09_final.pdf</a></p>	18 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<p><b>Chairman and Senior Management Expenses 2008-09</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/foi/ps/www.sah/Documents1/Final%202008-09%20Senior%20Staff%20Expenses.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/foi/ps/www.sah/Documents1/Final%202008-09%20Senior%20Staff%20Expenses.pdf</a></p> <p><b>Chairman, Non-Executives and Senior Management expenses Q1 2009-10</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/foi/ps/www.sah/Documents1/Final%20Q1%202009-10%20Senior%20Staff%20Expenses.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/About%20us/foi/ps/www.sah/Documents1/Final%20Q1%202009-10%20Senior%20Staff%20Expenses.pdf</a></p>	19 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<p><b>Consultation on 001/2009 Proposal from Central Networks to Implement an Interim IDNO Use of System Charging Methodology and Charges</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/CN%20IDNO%20Consultation.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/CN%20IDNO%20Consultation.pdf</a></p>	19 Aug (dated 18 Aug)	15 Sep
GB SO	<p><b>National Grid Electricity Transmission System Operator Incentives for 1 April 2010 – Consultation on Developments of the Incentive for the Energy Related Components of the Balancing Services Use of System (BSUoS) Costs</b>  <a href="http://www.nationalgrid.com/NR/ronlyres/95D86B42-F2A4-4317-83D5-551F9AE27D7E/36514/Energyconsultation_final.pdf">http://www.nationalgrid.com/NR/ronlyres/95D86B42-F2A4-4317-83D5-551F9AE27D7E/36514/Energyconsultation_final.pdf</a></p>	20 Aug	18 Sep
Ofgem	<p><b>Consultation on proposals CE 0013N/2009 and CE 0013Y/2009 for CE Electric UK plc (CE) to Introduce Specific Use of System (UoS) Charges from Independent Distribution Network Operators (IDNOs)</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/CE%20Interim%20IDNO%20Consultation.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/CE%20Interim%20IDNO%20Consultation.pdf</a></p>	24 Aug (dated 21 Aug)	18 Sep
Ofgem	<p><b>Status of Modifications to [DNO's] Use of System and Connection Charging Methodology Statements</b>  <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/Modifiable_ModTable5.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/DistChrgMods/Documents1/Modifiable_ModTable5.pdf</a></p>	24 Aug	N/A



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Ofgem	<b>Re-consultation on Collective Licence Modification: Notice of Proposed Modifications of Standard Licence Condition C16 of the Electricity Transmission Licence under Section 11A of the Electricity Act 1989</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/WhlMkts/CompanEff/CashoutRev/Documents/1/Re-consultation%20on%20proposed%20changes%20to%20Standard%20Condition%20C16%20of%20the%20Electricity%20Transmission%20Licence.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Markets/WhlMkts/CompanEff/CashoutRev/Documents/1/Re-consultation%20on%20proposed%20changes%20to%20Standard%20Condition%20C16%20of%20the%20Electricity%20Transmission%20Licence.pdf</a>	25 Aug	23 Sep
DECC	<b>Miliband Takes Action on Queue to Connect New Power Generation to the Grid</b> <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn093/pn093.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn093/pn093.aspx</a> <b>Improving Grid Access</b> <a href="http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/consultations/open/open.aspx">http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/consultations/open/open.aspx</a>	25 Aug	17 Nov
Ofgem	<b>Code Governance Review: Governance of charging methodologies: Initial Proposals</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/IndCodes/CGR/Documents/1/CM_InitialProposals1.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Licensing/IndCodes/CGR/Documents/1/CM_InitialProposals1.pdf</a>	26 Aug	9 Oct
ELEXON	<b>Market Index Definition Statement (MIDS) 2009 Review</b> <a href="http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Consultations/Market_Index_Definition_Statement_(MIDS)_2009_Review_Consultation/Market_Index_Definition_Statement_(MIDS)_Review_2009_Consultation_Document.pdf">http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Consultations/Market_Index_Definition_Statement_(MIDS)_2009_Review_Consultation/Market_Index_Definition_Statement_(MIDS)_Review_2009_Consultation_Document.pdf</a>	27 Aug	10 Sep
Ofgem	<b>Fall in Domestic Energy Customer Disconnections</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents/1/PR%20Social%20Obligations%20FINAL.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Media/PressRel/Documents/1/PR%20Social%20Obligations%20FINAL.pdf</a> <b>Domestic Suppliers' Social Obligations: 2008 Annual Report</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/SocAction/Monitoring/SoObMonitor/Documents/1/2008%20Supplier%20Social%20Obligations%20Annual%20Report.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/SocAction/Monitoring/SoObMonitor/Documents/1/2008%20Supplier%20Social%20Obligations%20Annual%20Report.pdf</a>	27 Aug	N/A
DECC	<b>Approval Given for Biomass and Energy from Waste Fuelled Power Station in Tilbury Docks</b> <a href="http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn094/pn094.aspx">http://decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/news/pn094/pn094.aspx</a>	27 Aug	N/A
ELEXON	<b>Review of Risk Evaluation Register and Risk Operating Plan</b> <a href="http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Consultations/Consultation_on_Review_of_Risk_Evaluation_Register_and_Risk_Operating_Plan/RER_ROP_2010_11_Consultation_Questions_v2.0.doc">http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Consultations/Consultation_on_Review_of_Risk_Evaluation_Register_and_Risk_Operating_Plan/RER_ROP_2010_11_Consultation_Questions_v2.0.doc</a> <a href="http://www.elexon.co.uk/consultations/default.aspx">http://www.elexon.co.uk/consultations/default.aspx</a>	28 Aug	11 Sep



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Ofgem	<b>Carbon Emissions Reduction (CER) Target Update – Issue 5 August 2009</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/EnergyEff/CU/Documents1/CERT%20Update%20Final.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/EnergyEff/CU/Documents1/CERT%20Update%20Final.pdf</a>	28 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<b>Accredited Stations for Renewables Obligation as at 27 August 2009</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/RenewablStat/Documents1/Accredited%20Stations%20for%20RO_27%20Aug%2009.xls">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Sustainability/Environment/RenewablStat/Documents1/Accredited%20Stations%20for%20RO_27%20Aug%2009.xls</a>	28 Aug	N/A
Ofgem	<b>Distribution Network Operators (DNO) and Independent Distribution Network Operators (IDNO) Steering Group, 2 September 2009</b> <a href="http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/IDNOs/Documents1/marks%20agenda.pdf">http://www.ofgem.gov.uk/Networks/ElecDist/Policy/IDNOs/Documents1/marks%20agenda.pdf</a>	28 Aug	N/A

### New BSC Modifications

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P244	<b>Provision of BritNed Flow Data to the BMRS</b> <a href="http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Change_and_Implementation/modifications/244/P244.pdf">http://www.elexon.co.uk/documents/Change_and_Implementation/modifications/244/P244.pdf</a>	National Grid	28 Aug

