

LAST RESORT SUPPLY DIRECTION

Direction of the Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation issued under Condition 22(1) of the licence granted, or treated as granted, to Power NI Energy Limited under Article 10(1)(c) of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992.

To: Power NI Energy Limited

WHEREAS –

- (A) The Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation (the **Authority**) has the principal objective under Article 12(1) of the Energy (Northern Ireland) Order 2003 (the **Order**) to protect the interests of consumers of electricity supplied by authorised suppliers.
- (B) The Authority's general duties include the duty under Article 12(2)(a) of the Order to have regard to the need to ensure that all reasonable demands in Northern Ireland for electricity are met.
- (C) Circumstances have arisen which entitle the Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation (the **Authority**) to revoke the electricity supply licence held by Bright Energy Supply NI Ltd, a company incorporated in Northern Ireland with registered number NI655169 (**Bright Energy**).
- (D) Power NI Energy Limited (**Power NI**) is the holder of a licence to supply electricity (the **Licence**) which is granted, or treated as granted, under Article 10(1)(c) of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992.
- (E) The Authority is entitled by virtue of paragraph 1 of Condition 22 of the Licence to direct Power NI to supply electricity to such premises as may be specified or described in the direction.
- (F) Power NI is able to comply with such a direction without significantly prejudicing its ability either to continue to supply electricity to the premises of its existing customers or to fulfil its contractual obligations for the supply of electricity.
- (G) The Authority is satisfied that it is appropriate for it to exercise the power to issue such a direction to Power NI, in the terms set out below, in accordance with its duties under Article 12 of the Order and for the reasons which shall be published in accordance with Article 62(2) of the Order.

NOW –

- 1) The Authority hereby directs Power NI, in accordance with paragraph 1 of Condition 22 of the Licence, to supply electricity to all such premises (the **Relevant Premises**) which were being supplied with electricity by Bright Energy, in its capacity as a licensed electricity supplier, at the time and date which immediately precedes the time and date on which this direction takes effect.
- 2) The Relevant Premises shall be supplied by Power NI in accordance with all applicable requirements of the Licence, this direction, and such instructions and guidance as may be provided to it by the Authority for the purpose of identifying the Relevant Premises and the occupiers or owners of the Relevant Premises.
- 3) This direction shall take effect on and from 00:01 hours on 13 February 2022 and shall continue in force for a period of six months thereafter.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Church', with a stylized, cursive script.

Authorised on behalf of the Authority

02 February 2022