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13 September 2022

Dear Sarah,

Re: EU Costs for 2021-22 - Final Et Approval

Thank you for the opex D<sub>t</sub> submission of the 13 June 2022 regarding EU costs in respect of ENTSO-E and CORESO membership.

Given the expanding scope of activities associated with these organisations and the subsequent uplift in costs, we are content to provide the full amount requested less the 10% contingency. These costs have been removed to ensure a 'fair bet' approach and are not considered necessary as the tariff year is nearing completion.

For confirmation and in accordance with *paragraphs 8.5* and 8.6 of Annex 1 of the TSO licence, the opex amount approved under the E<sub>t</sub> term is detailed in the table below by tariff year [and in April 2019 prices for ease of comparison with the current price control].

Tariff Year	SONI Request	UR Allowance	UR Allowance
	(April 2022 prices)	(April 2022 prices)	(April 2019 prices)
2021-22	£318k	£268k	£242k

SONI has made the request under the  $D_t$  licence term. For the reasons previously discussed, it is our view that this allowance should be provided under the  $E_t$  term to ensure consistency of approach and reporting.

I trust this satisfies your requirements at this time.

Yours sincerely,

**Tanya Hedley** 

**Director of Network Operations**