Utility Regulator

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Dear Jonathan

This letter sets out the Utility Regulator's decision in respect of Castlereagh – Rosebank Tower-line Recovery costs under paragraph 4.38 of Annex 2 of the NIE Transmission Licence.
Our decision takes account of the communication between us and ongoing engagement on this matter including your submission of 4 June 2026.
We have determined an additional allowed capex amount (ACTR_Xt) of £554,951 (2026/27 price base) for this work profiled as follows:

	FY 25/26
Amount	554,951

We will publish this decision by uploading it to our website and including it in the public register required under Article 57 of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992.
Under paragraph 4.41d of Annex 2 of the NIE Transmission Licence, the Utility Regulator (UR) may make a determination subject to conditions with which the Licensee shall be required to comply. If there is a material delay to the project leading to a change in energisation date, we will re-profile the determined sum (without amending the total sum in real terms) to reflect the actual expenditure profile.
Please note, the funding is allowed specifically to enable construction of the scope of work described in the company's submission. Whilst UR does not wish to stifle innovation or efficiency, should the final product not deliver the functionality described in the submission due to reduced scope of work, UR reserves the right to revisit the allowance, ex-post, and determine a new allowance based on the functionality delivered.

Furthermore, in addition to ongoing RIGs reporting, you must maintain records of costs in sufficient granularity to provide a report or reports of costs to UR against the headings used in the company's request for the construction allowances. This will provide UR with additional information and experience which will help inform future decisions of this type.
Please do not hesitate to contact Colin Walker should you require any further information or clarification.

Yours sincerely



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