PUBLIC NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 8(4) OF THE GAS (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1996 (the Order)

Pursuant to Article 8(4) of the Order the Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation (the Authority), hereby gives notice as follows:

1) It proposes, in accordance with Article 8 (1) of the Order, to grant a licence to store gas to Islandmagee Storage Limited, a body corporate registered in Northern Ireland under the Companies Northern Ireland Order 1986 and having its principal place of business at, The Arena Building, 85 Ormeau Road, Belfast, BT7 1SH (the "Proposed Licensee").

2) Such licence would enable the Proposed Licensee to store gas in a gas storage facility specified and designated at Schedule 1 of the proposed licence.

3) The Authority considers that the grant of the proposed licence would be an appropriate course of action for it to take as such grant is in keeping with the Authority's principal statutory objective in that it promotes the development and maintenance of an efficient, economic and co-ordinated gas industry in Northern Ireland.

4) The Authority further considers that the application made by the Proposed Licensee has been made in the prescribed manner and confirms that the appropriate fee has been submitted.

5) The purpose of this public notice is to bring to the attention of persons likely to be affected by the grant, the proposed licence referred to above and to invite representations or objections in connection thereto. Any representations or objections with respect to the proposed licence may be made **on or before 10th October 2012**.

6) A copy of the proposed Licence can be obtained in electronic form on the Authority's website or in hard copy form from:

The Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation Queens House 14 Queen Street Belfast BT1 6ED Tel: 028 9031 1575 Fax: 028 9031 1740 Email:richard.hume@uregni.gov.uk

Dated this 10th day of September 2012

Shane Lynch For and on behalf of the Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation