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TERMS OF THE LICENCE

1 The Director General of Electricity Supply for Northern Ireland (hereinafter referred to as **"the Director"**) in accordance with a general authority given by the Department of Economic Development under Articles 10(1) and 10(2) of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 (hereinafter referred to as **"the Order"**) and in exercise of the powers conferred by Articles 10(2)(a), 10(6), 11 and 13 of the Order hereby grants to Electricity Supply Board a licence to supply electricity to the premises specified or of the description specified in Schedule 1 during the period specified in paragraph 3 below, subject to the Conditions set out in Parts II and III (hereinafter referred to as **"the Conditions"**).

2 The Conditions are subject to modifications or amendment in accordance with their terms or with Articles 14, 17 or 18 of the Order. The licence hereby granted (hereinafter referred to as **"this licence"**) is further subject to the terms as to revocation specified in Schedule 2.

3 This licence shall come into force on 2 July 1999 and unless revoked in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 2 shall continue in force until determined by not less than 25 years' notice in writing given by the Director to the licensee, such notice not to be served earlier than the tenth anniversary of the date on which this licence comes into force.

2 July 1999

Director General of Electricity Supply for Northern Ireland

Part I: General Conditions

Condition 1: Interpretation and construction

1 Unless the contrary intention appears:

(a) words and expressions used in the Conditions or in the Schedules below shall be construed as if they were in an enactment and the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 applied to them; and

(b) references to an enactment shall include subordinate legislation and in both cases any statutory modification or re-enactment thereof after the date when the Licence comes into force.

2 Any word or expression defined for the purposes of any provision of Part II of the Order, the Energy Order or the SEM Order shall, unless the contrary intention appears, have the same meaning when used in the Conditions or in the Schedules below.

3 In the Conditions and the Schedules unless the context otherwise requires:

Affiliate	in relation to the Licensee or any subsidiary of any holding company of the Licensee means any holding company or subsidiary of that person or any subsidiary of a holding company of that person.
Auditors	means the Licensee's auditors for the time being holding office in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 2 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006.
Authorised	in relation to any business or activity means authorised by licence granted under Article 10 or exemption granted under Article 9 of the Order.
Authorised electricity operator	means any person (other than the Licensee in its capacity as the holder of the Licence) who holds a licence granted pursuant to Article 10 of the Order or whose activities are exempt pursuant to Article 9 of the Order and any person

	transferring electricity to or from Northern Ireland across an interconnector or who has made an application for use of an interconnector which has not been refused
Authority	means the Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation.
Cancel	in relation to the Authority means the exercise of its cancellation powers.
Cancellable generating unit agreement	means a generating unit agreement which may be the subject of a cancellation direction, being the generating unit agreement specified in Annex 4 (as may it be modified from time to time) of the NIE Energy Supply Licence.
Cancellation direction	means a direction issued by the Authority to cancel a cancellable generating unit agreement.
Cancellation powers	means the powers of the Authority to direct any person to a cancellable generating unit agreement to terminate that agreement upon such date or the happening of such event as shall be specified in the notice containing the direction.
Charges for the Supply of Electricity	means, as between an Electricity Supplier and a Customer, charges made by the Electricity Supplier in respect of the supply of electricity to that Customer.
Competition and Markets Authority or CMA	means the body of that name established by section 25 of the Enterprise and Regulatory Reform Act 2013.
Contract	means a contract for the supply of electricity made between the Licensee and a Customer but does not include a Deemed Contract.

Customer	means any person supplied or requiring to be supplied with electricity by the Licensee (including any affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee) or, where the context requires, by any other Electricity Supplier at any premises in Northern Ireland, but shall not include any authorised electricity operator in its capacity as such.
Deemed Contract	means, as between the Licensee and a Customer, a contract for the supply of electricity deemed to have been made under paragraph 3 of Schedule 6 to the Order.
Department	means the Department of Enterprise Trade and Investment formerly known as the Department of Economic Development.
Designated	in relation to any agreement, arrangement, code, notice, proposal or other document, means designated by the Department or the Authority (as the case may be) or on its behalf by means of initialling or descriptive reference whether for the purposes of any Condition of the Licence or otherwise, but so that an agreement, arrangement, code, notice, proposal or other document so designated may at the discretion of the Department or the Authority (as the case may be) cease to be designated if amended or modified in any material respect.
Directive	means Directive 2009/72/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 concerning common rules for the internal market in electricity and repealing Directive 2003/54/EC.
Directive Regulations	means the Electricity Order 1992 (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2005 and/or the Electricity Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2007.

Distribution Code	means, in relation to any Licensed Distributor, the Code of that title required to be prepared by it and approved by the Authority in accordance with a condition of the Distribution Licence held by that Licensed Distributor.
Distribution Licence	means a licence granted or treated as granted under Article 10(1)(bb) of the Order.
Distribution Owner	Means the person authorised, from time to time, under the Successor Distribution in its capacity as the holder of that Licence.
Distribution system	means all electric lines owned and/or operated by any person for the purpose of the distribution of electricity to Customers, including any electrical plant and meters which are used in connection with electricity distribution and any other electric lines which the Authority may specify as forming part of the distribution system, but excluding lines forming part of the transmission system or any interconnector.
Domestic Customer	means a customer supplied, or requiring to be supplied, with electricity at Domestic Premises.
Domestic Premises	has the meaning given in, and is to be interpreted in accordance with, Condition 25.
Electricity Supplier	means any person authorised by a licence under Article 10(1)(c) of the Order to supply electricity.
Emissions	means the discharge of substances into the air.
Energy Consumer Checklist	means the document of that name which constitutes the guidance for consumers of gas and electricity as prepared and published, from time to time, by the Authority in accordance with Article 7(5) of the Energy Order.

Energy Order	means the Energy (Northern Ireland) Order 2003.
General Consumer Council	means the General Consumer Council for Northern Ireland.
Generating Unit Agreement	means a power purchase agreement between a generator and the Power Procurement Business in respect of a generation set or combination of generation sets.
Generation set	means any plant or apparatus for the production of electricity.
Generator	means a person authorised by a licence granted under Article 10(1)(a) of the Order.
Grid Code	has the meaning given to it in the Transmission System Operator Licence.
Holding company	means a holding company within the meaning of section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006.
Interconnector	means the electric lines and electrical plant and meters used for conveying electricity only directly to or from a substation or converter station on the Island of Ireland into or out of the Island of Ireland.
Internal Markets Regulations	means the Gas and Electricity (Internal Markets) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2011.
Island of Ireland	means Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland.
Last Resort Supply Direction	means a direction given by the Authority to the Licensee that specifies or describes the premises to be supplied with electricity in accordance with Condition 22.
Licence	means the licence comprised in the licence grant in which these Conditions are referred to, granted on the terms,

	and subject to the Conditions, referred to therein.
Licensed Distributor	means any person holding a Distribution Licence.
Licensee	means the person identified as such in the Grant and Terms of this Licence, or any person to whom the Licence may subsequently be assigned or transferred in accordance with the Order, the Energy Order, the SEM Order, the Directive Regulations, or the Licence and (where the context so requires) shall include any business in respect of which the Licensee is a successor company.
Market Operator	means the person authorised, from time to time, under the Northern Ireland Market Operator Licence in its capacity as the holder of that licence.
Metering equipment	includes any meter and any associated equipment which materially affects the operation of that meter.
Modification	includes addition, omission, amendment and substitution, and cognate expressions shall be construed accordingly.
NIE Energy Supply Licence	means the licence granted under Article 10(1)(c) of the Order to Northern Ireland Electricity plc on 31 March 1992, which is to be transferred to NIE Energy Limited (a body corporate registered in Northern Ireland under company number NI27394) pursuant to a statutory scheme on or around SEM Go-Live.
Non-Domestic Customer	means a customer supplied, or requiring to be supplied, with electricity at Non-Domestic Premises.
Non-Domestic Premises	has the meaning given in, and is to be interpreted in accordance with, Condition 25.
Northern Ireland Fuel	means the document of that title designated as such by

Security Code	the Department as from time to time amended in accordance with its provisions, dealing with the co-operation of licence holders in strategic contingency planning in respect of fuel stocks, the modification of the merit order and certain other systems and procedures under the Grid Code during periods when the Department has given and there is in force one or more directions under Article 37(4) of the Order, the entitlement of authorised electricity operators to and the collection of certain payments in anticipation of, during and after the expiry of any such periods, and connected matters.
Northern Ireland Market Operator Licence	means the licence granted, under Article 10(1)(d) of the Order, to SONI Limited (a body corporate registered in Northern Ireland under company number NI038715) on 3 July 2007.
Notice	means (unless otherwise specified) notice given either in writing or by electronic data transfer.
Order	means the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992.
Power Procurement Business	has the meaning given in the NIE Energy Supply Licence.
Power purchase agreement	means a contract for the provision to the Licensee or any other authorised electricity operator of the whole or any part of the available capacity and/or the sale or other disposal to the Licensee or any other authorised electricity operator of the whole or any part of the output of a generation set or combination of generation sets.
Power station agreement	means an agreement made with effect from 1 April 1992 between a generator and the Power Procurement

Business, in relation to matters concerning a generating station and designated for the purposes of the generation licences granted to the successor companies.

Principal Terms

means in respect of any Contract or Deemed Contract, the terms and conditions that relate to:

(i) the duration of the Contract or Deemed Contract;

(ii) the Charges for the Supply of Electricity, including the applicable tariff and the unit rate, expressed in "pence per kWh" of the applicable tariff;

(iii) any requirement to pay Charges for the Supply of Electricity through a prepayment meter;

(iv) any requirement for a Security Deposit;

(v) the termination of the Contract (including any requirement to pay a termination fee) or the circumstances in which the Deemed Contract will terminate,

and any other term or condition that may reasonably be considered to significantly affect the evaluation by the consumer of the Contract.

Promotional Materials

means any document which contains information about the Licensee's electricity supply activities, and is handed out, or sent directly, by or on behalf of the Licensee to Customers.

PSO Agreement

means the agreement of that title with the Distribution Owner in the form approved from time to time by the Authority.

Related undertaking	in relation to any person means any undertaking in which that person has a participating interest within the meaning of section 421A of the Financial Services and Market Act 2000.
Relevant exempt self supplier	means a relevant exempt self supplier within the meaning of the Electricity (Class Exemptions from the requirement for a Licence) Order (Northern Ireland) 1992.
Relevant supplier	means a licensed electricity supplier or a relevant exempt self supplier.
Representation	includes any objection or any other proposal made in writing.
Security Deposit	means a deposit of money as security for the payment of Charges for the Supply of Electricity.
SEM Go-Live	means the time and date designated as such by the Authority (with the consent of the Department) for the purpose of licences granted under the Order, being the commencement date for a number of matters including the Single Electricity Market.
SEM Order	means the Electricity (Single Wholesale Market) (Northern Ireland) Order 2007.
Single Electricity Market	means the single wholesale electricity market for the Island of Ireland, implemented in Northern Ireland pursuant to Section 23 of the Northern Ireland (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2006.
Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code	has the meaning given to it in the Northern Ireland Market Operator Licence.

Subsidiary	means a subsidiary within the meaning of section 1159 of the Companies Act 2006.
Successor company	bears the meaning ascribed to it for the purposes of Part III of the Order.
Successor Distribution Licence	means the licence which, pursuant to Regulation 90(1)(b) of the Internal Markets Regulations, has effect as a licence under Article 10(1)(bb) of the Order and is held by Northern Ireland Electricity Limited (a body corporate registered in Northern Ireland under Company number NI026041).
Successor Transmission Licence	means the licence which, pursuant to Regulation 90(1)(b) of the Internal Markets Regulations, has effect as a licence under Article 10(1)(b) of the Order and is held by Northern Ireland Electricity Limited (a body corporate registered in Northern Ireland under Company number NI026041).
Supply Business	means the business of the Licensee in the supply of electricity pursuant to the Licence.
transmission system	has the meaning given in the Successor Transmission Licence.
Transmission System Operator	means the person authorised, from time to time, under the Transmission System Operator Licence in its capacity as the holder of that licence.
Transmission System Operator Licence	means the licence granted under Article 10(1)(b) of the Order to SONI Limited (a body corporate registered in Northern Ireland under company number NI038715) on 3 July 2007.
undertaking	bears the meaning ascribed to it by section 1161 of the

Companies Act 2006.

unmetered supply means a supply of electricity to premises which is not, for the purpose of calculating the charges for electricity supplied to the Customer at such premises, measured by metering equipment.

4 Unless otherwise specified:

(a) any reference to a numbered Part is a reference to the Part bearing that number in this Licence;

(b) any reference to a numbered Condition, or Annex or to a numbered Schedule is respectively a reference to the Condition or Annex or the Schedule bearing that number in this Licence;

(c) any reference to **the Conditions** in relation this Licence means the Conditions to which this licence is subject and references to **any Conditions** and to any cognate expression shall be construed accordingly;

(d) any reference to a numbered paragraph is a reference to the paragraph bearing that number in the Condition, Annex or Schedule in which the reference occurs; and

(e) (without prejudice to any provision which restricts such variation, supplement or replacement) any reference to any agreement, licence (other than the Licence), code or other instrument shall include a reference to such agreement, licence, code or other instrument as varied, supplemented or replaced from time to time.

5 The heading or title of any Part, Condition, Annex, Schedule or paragraph shall not affect the construction thereof.

6 Where any obligation of the Licensee is expressed to require performance within a specified time limit that obligation shall continue to be binding and enforceable after that time limit if the Licensee fails to perform that obligation within that time limit (but without prejudice to all rights and remedies available against the Licensee by reason of the Licensee's failure to perform within the time limit).

7 The provisions of section 24 of the Interpretation Act (Northern Ireland) 1954 shall apply for the purpose of the delivery or service of any document, direction or notice to be delivered or served pursuant to the Licence, and directions issued by the Authority pursuant to any Condition shall be delivered or served as aforesaid.

8 Each relevant legal instrument shall, if the condition under which it was issued was modified at SEM Go-Live in accordance with Condition A, continue to have effect under any corresponding provision of the Licence, as if it had been made under that corresponding provision.

9 For the purposes of paragraphs 8 and 10 a "relevant legal instrument" means any direction, consent, approval, determination, designation or other instrument issued by the Authority or the Department, prior to SEM Go-Live, in accordance with a condition of the Licence in force and effect at that time:

(a) including any instrument issued:

(i) to another holder of the Licence, from whom the Licence was subsequently transferred or assigned to the Licensee; or

(ii) before the conversion of the Licence to a supply licence under Article 10(1)(c) of the Order.

(b) of any licence held by the predecessor company.

10 For the purposes of paragraph 8 a "corresponding provision" of the Licence shall be any provision which, following its modification at SEM Go-Live, has (notwithstanding that it was renumbered, moved, deleted and replaced, or otherwise amended in any way) substantially the same purpose and effect as the provision under which a relevant legal instrument was issued.

Condition 2: Separate Accounts for Separate Businesses

1 This Condition shall only apply if the Licensee (or any affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee) holds a licence (other than the Licence) granted under Article 10 of the Order.

2 The first financial year of the Licensee shall run from the date this Condition comes into force to 31 December in the same year and thereafter each financial year of the Licensee shall run from 1 January to the following 31 December.

3 The remaining paragraphs of this Condition apply for the purpose of ensuring that the Licensee (and any affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee) maintains accounting and reporting arrangements which enable separate accounts to be prepared for each Separate Business and showing the financial affairs of each such Separate Business.

4 The Licensee shall in respect of each Separate Business:

(a) keep or cause to be kept for the period referred to in section 388 of the Companies Act 2006 and in the manner referred to in that section such accounting records in respect of each Separate Business as would by section 386 of the Companies Act 2006 be required to be kept in respect of each such business if it were carried on by a separate company, so that the revenues, costs, assets, liabilities, reserves and provisions of, or reasonably attributable to, each Separate Business are separately identifiable in the books of the Licensee (and any affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee) from those of any other business;

(b) prepare on a consistent basis from such accounting records in respect of:

(i) the first financial year and each subsequent financial year, accounting statements comprising a profit and loss account, a balance sheet and a cash flow statement, together with notes thereto, and showing separately in respect of each Separate Business and in appropriate detail the amounts of any revenue, cost, asset, liability, reserve or provision which has been either;

(A) charged from or to any other business (whether or not a Separate Business) together with a description of the basis of that charge;

(B) determined by apportionment or allocation between any Separate Business and any other business (whether or not a Separate Business) together with a description of the basis of the apportionment or allocation; and

(ii) the first six months of the first financial year and of each subsequent financial year, an interim profit and loss account; and

(c) procure, in respect of the accounting statements prepared in accordance with this Condition in respect of a financial year, a report by the Auditors and addressed to the Authority stating whether in their opinion those statements have been properly prepared in accordance with this Condition and give a true and fair view of the revenues, costs, assets, liabilities, reserves and provisions of, or reasonably attributable to, the Separate Business to which the statements relate; and

(d) deliver to the Authority a copy of the account referred to in sub-paragraph (b)(ii), the Auditors' report referred to in sub-paragraph (c) and the accounting statements referred to in sub-paragraph (b)(i) as soon as reasonably practicable, and in any event not later than three months after the end of the period to which it relates in the case of the account referred to in sub-paragraph (b)(ii), and six months after the end of the financial year to which they relate in the case of the accounting statements and Auditors' report referred to in sub-paragraphs (b)(i) and (c), provided that in the case of the account, report and statements which, but for this proviso, would have been due on 31 December, they shall instead be due on 31 January.

5 The Licensee shall not, in relation to the accounting statements in respect of a financial year, change the bases of charge, apportionment or allocation referred to in sub-paragraph 4(b)(i) from those applied in respect of the previous financial year, unless the Authority shall previously have issued directions for the purposes of this Condition directing the Licensee to change such bases in a manner set out in the directions or the Authority gives its prior written approval to the change in such bases. The Licensee shall comply with any directions issued for the purposes of this Condition.

6 Where, in relation to the accounting statements in respect of a financial year, the Licensee has changed such bases of charge, apportionment or allocation from those adopted for the

immediately preceding financial year, the Licensee shall, if so directed in directions issued by the Authority for the purposes of this Condition, in addition to preparing accounting statements on those bases which it has adopted, prepare such accounting statements on the bases which applied in respect of the immediately preceding financial year.

7 Accounting statements in respect of a financial year prepared under sub-paragraph 4(b)(i) shall, so far as reasonably practicable and unless otherwise approved by the Authority having regard to the purposes of this Condition:

(a) have the same content and format (in relation to each Separate Business) as the annual accounts of the Licensee (and any affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee) prepared under Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and conform to the best commercial accounting practices including Statements of Accounting Practice issued or adopted by the Accounting Standards Board currently in force; and

(b) state the accounting policies adopted; and

(c) (with the exception of the part of such statements which shows separately the amounts charged, apportioned or allocated and describes the bases of charge or apportionment or allocation respectively), be published with the annual accounts of the Licensee.

8 Unless the accounting statements prepared under sub-paragraph 4(b)(i) are prepared on the current cost basis as provided by the alternative accounting rules, the Licensee shall, unless otherwise agreed by the Authority, in addition to preparing those accounting statements under that paragraph, prepare accounting statements for each Separate Business covering the same period, which shall comprise and show separately:

(a) a profit and loss account, a balance sheet and a cash flow statement, together with notes thereto, which shall:

(i) include in respect of current cost assets amounts determined on the current cost basis as provided by the alternative accounting rules; and

(ii) show or disclose the information and other matters required by the alternative accounting rules to be shown or disclosed in accounts where the amounts included in respect of assets covered by any items shown in those

accounts have been determined on any basis mentioned in paragraph 32 of section C of Part 2 of Schedule 1 to the Accounting Regulations applicable to the Licensee;

(b) in respect of each Separate Business the adjusted amount of any such provision for depreciation as is referred to in paragraph 33(2) of section C of Part 2 of Schedule 1 to the Accounting Regulations applicable to the Licensee and the items shown in the profit and loss account of the Separate Business for the relevant period which are affected by the determination of amounts on the current cost basis as provided by the alternative accounting rules, including the profit (or loss) before taxation; and

(c) such other current cost information as is referred to in the Handbook as the Authority may require,

and shall deliver the same, together with an Auditors' report prepared in relation to the current cost basis accounting statements in the form referred to in sub-paragraph 4(c), to the Authority within the time limits referred to in sub-paragraph 4(d), and shall (with the exception of the part of such statements which shows separately the amounts charged, apportioned or allocated and describes the bases of charge or apportionment or allocation respectively) publish the same with the annual accounts of the Licensee.

9 References in this Condition to costs or liabilities of, or reasonably attributable to, any Separate Business shall be construed as excluding taxation, capital liabilities which do not relate principally to a particular Separate Business, and interest thereon, and references to any accounting statement shall be construed accordingly.

10 The licensee shall, where requested to do so by the Department, provide to the Department a copy of its accounting records for the period specified in the request.

11 In this Condition:

Accounting Regulations means the Large and Medium-sized Companies and Groups (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 or the Small Companies and Groups

(Accounts and Directors' Report) Regulations 2008.

alternative accounting rules means the rules set out in section C of Part 2 of Schedule 1 to the Accounting Regulations.

current cost accounts means assets of any description mentioned in paragraph 32 of section C of Part 2 of Schedule 1 to the Accounting Regulations.

Generation Business means the authorised business (if any) of the Licensee or any affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee in the generation of electricity or in the provision of System Support Services.

Handbook means the handbook issued or adopted by the Accounting Standards Board or any successor body entitled **Accounting for the effects of changing prices: a Handbook** in its current edition for the time being or in the event that no such handbook shall be in issue such guidance or publication as may be issued in replacement or substitution therefor.

Separate Business means each of the Supply Business and the Generation Business (if any) taken separately from one another and from any other business of the Licensee or any affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee; but so that where all or any part of such business is carried on by an affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee, such part of the business as is carried on by that affiliate or related undertaking shall be consolidated with any other such business of the Licensee (and of any other affiliate or related

	undertaking of the Licensee) so as to form a single Separate Business.
System Support Services	has the meaning given to it in the Transmission System Operator Licence.

Condition 3: Compliance with the Grid Code and Distribution Code

1. The Licensee shall comply with the provisions of the Grid Code and each Distribution Code insofar as applicable to it.

2. The Authority may:

   (a) following consultation with the Transmission System Operator, issue directions relieving the Licensee of its obligation under paragraph 1 above in respect of such parts of the Grid Code and to such extent as may be specified in those directions; and

   (b) in respect of a Distribution Code of any Licensed Distributor and following consultation with the relevant Licensed Distributor, issue directions relieving the Licensee of its obligation under paragraph 1 above in respect of such parts of that Distribution Code and to such extent as may be specified in those directions.

3. The Authority shall be entitled, in order to implement the requisite arrangements referred to in Condition 5, to issue directions to the Transmission System Operator requiring it to revise the Grid Code in such manner and with effect from such date as may be specified in the directions, provided that such revisions shall not affect the rights and obligations of any party to:

   (a) a power purchase agreement which is not a cancellable generating unit agreement; or

   (b) a cancellable generating unit agreement, which has not, at the relevant time, been the subject of a cancellation direction,

   under that agreement beyond what may reasonably be regarded as de minimis in relation to that person.

Condition 4: The Market Registration Framework Agreement

1 The Licensee shall become a party to, and shall thereafter comply with the obligations applicable to it under, the Market Registration Framework Agreement.

2 In this Condition:

Market Registration Framework Agreement	shall have the meaning given to it from time to time in the Successor Distribution Licence.

Condition 5: Modification of Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code and cancellation of contracts

1. When the Authority shall have determined that the requisite arrangements have been developed and that they satisfy the requirements of paragraph 3, it shall be entitled to exercise the powers specified in paragraph 4, provided that the procedural requirements of paragraph 6 have been followed.

2. The requisite arrangements are arrangements which, if implemented by means of the making of modifications of the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code, the Grid Code and the Northern Ireland Fuel Security Code, or otherwise implemented (in whole or in part) under or by virtue of the powers contained in the Electricity (Single Wholesale Market) (Northern Ireland) Order 2007, would facilitate an increase in competition in the generation of electricity available for supply in Northern Ireland or the supply of electricity in Northern Ireland for the benefit of consumers of electricity in Northern Ireland in respect of the prices charged and the other terms of supply, the continuity of supply and the quality of the electricity supply services provided.

3. The requirements of this paragraph are:

   (A) that there is available for immediate establishment an electricity trading system by which (except as provided in paragraph 7) all licence holders will be bound and which, in the opinion of the Authority, will:

      (i) constitute proper and adequate arrangements for the trading of electricity and the calculation and settlement of payments due for the provision of available generating capacity and the delivery or supply of electricity;

      (ii) ensure that adequate arrangements are in place for the provision by one or more relevant generators of all necessary System Support Services and the proper remuneration of those services;

      (iii) be based upon a system of despatch of generation sets which is technically viable and will not prejudice the security and stability of the total system or any part of it;

(iv) ensure that there are adequate incentives for relevant generators to make available such generation capacity as will in aggregate be at least sufficient to ensure that all reasonable demands for electricity in Northern Ireland are satisfied;

(v) ensure that all generators and Electricity Suppliers are contractually bound to comply with the provisions of the Northern Ireland Fuel Security Code or, to the extent superseded by any other code or arrangement, such other code or arrangement;

(vi) ensure that either:

(a) Electricity Suppliers shall contract for or acquire, in aggregate, amounts of generation capacity and quantities of electricity from the Power Procurement Business which are not less than the amounts of generation capacity and quantities of electricity for which the Power Procurement Business is committed to pay under:

A. the power purchase agreements to which the Power Procurement Business is a party and which are cancellable generating unit agreements which at all relevant times have not been cancelled; and

B. the power purchase agreements to which the Power Procurement Business is a party and which are not liable to be cancelled;

or:

(b) arrangements are in place pursuant to which the Power Procurement Business is entitled to recover monies equal to the shortfall (if any) between the sums it pays for amounts of generation capacity and quantities of electricity under:

A. the power purchase agreements to which the Power Procurement Business is a party and which are cancellable

generating unit agreements which at all relevant times have not been cancelled; and

B. any power purchase agreements to which the Power Procurement Business is a party and which are not liable to be cancelled;

and the amounts it recovers for the provision of such generation capacity and the sale of such quantities of electricity;

(vii) not in its operation require any generator to breach any obligation incumbent upon it under the Large Combustion Plants (Control of Emissions) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1991 in relation to emissions;

(viii) contain arrangements which will ensure that each generator which shall be a party to a cancellable generating unit agreement, for so long as such agreement shall not have been cancelled, shall be in no worse a financial position in respect of its rights under that cancellable generating unit agreement by reason of the operation of Clause 7.3.2 of each power station agreement;

(ix) ensure that an appropriate share of the costs of the Land Bank Business shall be borne by each Electricity Supplier;

(x) not, in its operation, cause the Licensee to be unable to finance the carrying on of the activities which it is authorised by this Licence to carry on; and

(B) that each generator which shall have applied for a licence under Article 10(1)(c) of the Order to have effect from the date upon which any cancellable generating unit agreement to which it is a party is to be cancelled, shall have been granted such a licence, provided -

(a) the Authority shall at the relevant time have power under Article 10 of the Order to grant such a licence;

(b) the criteria for the grant of such a licence shall otherwise have been satisfied at the date of the application and the date upon which it is first to have effect; and

(c) there shall have been no material change in the circumstances of the applicant in any relevant respect between the date of the application and the date upon which the licence is to have effect.

4. The powers referred to in paragraph 1 are powers to serve upon the Power Procurement Business and the generator under a cancellable generating unit agreement a notice directing them to terminate the cancellable generating unit agreement pursuant to Clause 9.3 thereof upon such date or the happening of such event as shall be specified in the notice.

5. The powers specified in paragraph 4 may not be exercised in relation to any cancellable generating unit agreement in the table appearing in Annex 4 of the NIE Energy Supply Licence earlier than the date appearing opposite that cancellable generating unit agreement in that table. The Authority may, in relation to any cancellable generating unit agreement and upon the application of either party to that cancellable generating unit agreement, modify the table appearing in Annex 4 of the NIE Energy Supply Licence by substituting a later date for the date appearing opposite that agreement in that table.

6. The procedural requirements which require to have been followed for the purposes of paragraph 1 are:

(a) in its preparations for the making of the determination referred to in paragraph 1, the Authority shall have consulted with the Department, all licence holders, the General Consumer Council and such other persons as the Authority shall consider likely to be materially affected in relation to the steps that it believes require to be taken and the documentation and other obligations which it believes require to be entered into, imposed or assumed in order to satisfy the requirements of paragraph 3 and to create and implement the requisite arrangements;

(b) in the consultations referred to in sub-paragraph (a) above, the Authority shall have made available to each person so consulted such drafts of the documentation in question and of the instruments or other means by which the obligations in question

are to be imposed or assumed, as it shall consider are necessary so as properly to inform such persons of the detail of its proposals;

(c) the Authority shall have given each person so consulted the opportunity to make representations in relation to the relevant steps and the relevant documentation and shall have taken into consideration all such representations (other than those which are frivolous or trivial) in making the determination;

(d) the Authority shall have published its conclusions as to the relevant steps and the relevant documentation (including drafts of the relevant documentation) and its reasons for those conclusions;

(e) the Authority shall, before exercising any power under paragraph 4, have given not less than 180 days' notice to the Department, the Power Procurement Business, every person who at the time it gives the notice is a licence holder, and the General Consumer Council that it intends to do so; and

(f) the Authority shall, in publishing any statement of proposals or the reasons for them, have treated as confidential any representation (including any submission of any written material) which (and to the extent that) the person making the representation shall, by notice in writing to the Authority or by endorsement on the representation of words indicating the confidential nature of such representation, have specified as confidential information.

7. The rules of the electricity trading system referred to in paragraph 3(A) contained in the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code or in any instrument code, agreement or other document having effect (in whole or in part) under or by virtue of the powers contained in the Electricity (Single Wholesale Market) (Northern Ireland) Order 2007, may provide that they are to apply to all licence holders except if and to the extent that:

(a) they permit the Authority to relieve the licence holder in question from compliance with them or any of them; or

(b) they make provision that they are to apply to particular licence holders or classes of licence holder differently from the way or ways in which they apply to other licence holders.

8. Notwithstanding paragraph 6, the Authority shall be entitled, after having carried out the consultations referred to in paragraph 6 and published its conclusions, both before and after it shall have given any notice of the kind referred to in sub-paragraph (e) of paragraph 6, to make any modification of the relevant documentation which either:

(a) is, in its opinion, necessary or desirable in order to refine the requisite arrangements;

(b) involves only a change of a technical nature in the requisite arrangements; and

(c) will not increase the liability or decrease the rights of any person bound or to be bound by the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code beyond what may be regarded as reasonable in relation to that person;

provided it gives due notice of such amendment or variation to such persons as appear to it to be likely to be affected thereby,

or

is made in accordance with the provisions of the relevant documentation being modified.

9. The Licensee shall afford the Authority such co-operation as it shall in directions issued to the Licensee for the purposes of this Condition request in developing and testing its proposals for the establishment of the requisite arrangements and the electricity trading system referred to in paragraph 3(A).

10. The Licensee's reasonable direct costs of complying with a request made under paragraph 9 (incurred prior to the date upon which the Authority shall have first exercised its cancellation powers and for which an invoice shall have been submitted by the Licensee to the Market Operator or the Transmission System Operator not later than 2 months prior to the date upon which the first cancellation direction shall take effect) shall be audited in such manner as the Authority shall from time to time require and shall be recoverable from the Market Operator or the Transmission System Operator.

11. In this Condition:

Land Bank Business	has the meaning given to that expression in the Successor Distribution Licence transmission.
relevant documentation	means the documentation and other obligations referred to in sub paragraph (a) of paragraph 6;
relevant generator	means a generator and/or a person granted a licence pursuant to section 14(1)(a) of the Electricity Regulation Act 1999 to engage in the generation of electricity;
relevant steps	means the steps referred to in sub paragraph (a) of paragraph 6; and
requisite arrangements	means the arrangements referred to as such in paragraph 2.

Condition 6: Security arrangements

1 The Licensee shall comply with the provisions of the Northern Ireland Fuel Security Code and such provisions shall have effect as if they were set out in this licence.

2 The Northern Ireland Fuel Security Code may be amended in accordance with its provisions.

Condition 7: Compulsory acquisition of land

1 All the powers and rights conferred by or under the provisions of Schedule 3 of the Order (compulsory acquisition of land) shall have effect in relation to the Licensee to the extent that they are required to enable the Licensee to supply electricity to the premises specified in Schedule 1.

2 The powers referred to in paragraph 1 shall not apply to land forming part of the land bank.

3 Paragraphs 1 and 2:

(a) shall cease to have effect on 31 March 1996 unless the Authority shall before such date have substituted a later date in directions issued to the Licensee for the purposes of this Condition; and

(b) may be brought into effect after they shall have ceased to have effect on such date as the Authority shall specify in directions issued to the Licensee for the purposes of this Condition.

4 In this Condition:

Land	includes any right, easement or other interest in land and any wayleave.
land bank	has the meaning given in the Successor Distributor Licence.

Condition 8: Powers to carry out road works etc

1 The powers and rights conferred by or under the provisions of Schedule 4 of the Order (other powers, etc., of licence holders) shall have effect in relation to the Licensee and may be exercised by the Licensee carrying out works in relation to, or in pursuance of, the installation, inspection, maintenance, adjustment, repair, alteration, replacement and removal of:

(a) electric lines which are necessary to enable the Licensee to supply electricity to the premises specified in Schedule 1;

(b) electrical plant associated with such lines; and

(c) any structures for housing or covering such lines or plant.

2 Paragraph 1:

(a) shall cease to have effect on 31 March 1996 unless the Authority shall before such date have substituted a later date in directions issued to the Licensee for the purposes of this Condition;

(b) may be brought into effect after it shall have ceased to have effect on such date as the Authority shall specify in directions issued to the Licensee for the purposes of this Condition.

Condition 9: Health and safety of employees

1 The Licensee shall:

(a) acting jointly and in co-operation with the holders of other licences granted under the Order, consider and discuss matters of mutual concern in respect of the health and safety of persons employed by them; and

(b) establish and maintain appropriate processes for consultation with representatives of the Licensee's employees in respect of the health and safety of those employees.

Condition 10: Provision of information to the Authority

1 Subject to paragraphs 2 and 3 below, the Licensee shall furnish to the Authority, in such a manner and at such times as the Authority may require, such information and shall procure and furnish to it such reports, as the Authority may consider necessary in the light of the Conditions or as it may require for the purpose of performing any of its functions relating to electricity as conferred on, or assigned or transferred to, it by or under any legislation.

2 The Licensee may not be required by the Authority to furnish it under this Condition with information for the purpose of the exercise of its functions under Article 7 of the Energy Order.

3 The Licensee may not be required by the Authority to furnish it under this Condition with any information required in relation to an enforcement matter which the Licensee could not be compelled to produce or give in evidence in civil proceedings in the High Court.

4 The power of the Authority to call for information under paragraph 1 is in addition to the power of the Authority to call for information under or pursuant to any other Condition.

5 In paragraphs 1 to 4, **information** shall include any documents, accounts, estimates, returns or reports (whether or not prepared specifically at the request of the Authority) of any description specified by the Authority.

6 The Licensee shall, if so requested by the Authority, give reasoned comments on the accuracy and text of any information and advice (so far as relating to the supply of electricity authorised by this licence) which the Authority proposes to publish pursuant to Article 7 of the Energy Order.

7 In this Condition:

enforcement matter means any matter in respect of which any function of the Authority under Article 42 and/or Article 45 of the Energy Order is or may be exercisable.

Condition 11: Payment of fees

1 The Licensee shall, at the times stated hereunder, pay to the Authority fees of the amount specified in or determined under the following paragraphs of this Condition.

2 Within 30 days after the grant of this Licence but in any event before 2 August 1999, the Licensee shall pay to the Authority an initial fee of £250.

3 In respect of the year beginning on 1 April 2000 and in each subsequent year, the Licensee shall pay to the Authority a fee which is the aggregate of the following amounts:

(a) an amount which is a proportion, as determined by the Authority, of the amount estimated by the Authority, according to a method which has previously been disclosed in writing to the Licensee, as likely to be its costs during the year in question in the exercise of its functions relating to electricity conferred on, or assigned or transferred to, it by or under any legislation (**electricity functions**) ;

(b) an amount which is a proportion, as determined by the Authority, of the amount notified to the Authority by the General Consumer Council and approved by the Department as being the General Consumer Council's estimate of its likely costs during the year in question in the exercise of the functions relating to electricity assigned to it by or under the Order, the Energy Order, the SEM Order and the Directive Regulations and any other such functions as it has been or may be required to exercise by the Authority or, in the event that the Authority shall not have received such notification by 31 July in the year in question, an amount which is the relevant proportion of the Authority's estimate of such likely costs (having regard to any estimate of such costs in any forward work programme published by the General Consumer Council in respect of the year in question); and

(c) the difference (being a positive or a negative amount), if any, between:

(i) the amount of the fee paid by the Licensee in respect of the year immediately preceding the 1 April in question less any refund paid to the Licensee in respect of that year under paragraph 4; and

(ii) the amount which that fee would have been in respect of that year:

(A) had the amount comprised therein under sub-paragraph (a) been calculated by reference to the total costs of the Authority in connection with the functions referred to in sub-paragraph (a) and the proportion thereof actually attributable to the Licensee,

(B) had the amount comprised therein under sub-paragraph (b) been calculated by reference to the total costs of the General Consumer Council in connection with the functions referred to in sub-paragraph (b) and the proportion thereof actually attributable to the Licensee,

(such total costs being apportioned as determined by the Authority according to a method previously disclosed in writing to the Licensee),

and the fee shall be paid by the Licensee to the Authority within one month of the Authority giving notice to the Licensee of its amount, provided that notice is given within six months of the beginning of the year in respect of which the fee is payable.

4 In respect of the year beginning on 1 April 1998 and for each subsequent year, the Authority may pay the Licensee an amount (**the refund**) calculated in accordance with the method previously disclosed in writing to the Licensee and by reference to the difference between:

(a) the proportion of the licence fee for that year paid by the Licensee which is attributable to the Authority's estimate of its costs in accordance with paragraph 3(a), and the estimate of the General Consumer Council or the Authority (as appropriate) of the General Consumer Council's costs in accordance with paragraph 3(b); and

(b) the Authority's reasonable revised estimate of those costs (taking account of any revised estimate of the costs referred to in paragraph 3(b) which is approved by the Department and notified to the Authority by the General Consumer Council),

provided that any such refund shall be paid to the Licensee on or before 31 March in the year to which the fee relates.

Condition 12: Prohibition of cross-subsidies

1 This Condition shall only apply if the Licensee (or an affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee) holds a licence (other than the Licence) granted under Article 10 of the Order.

2 The Licensee shall procure that no Separate Business gives any cross-subsidy to, or receives any cross-subsidy from, any other business of the Licensee or of an affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee (whether or not a Separate Business).

3 Nothing which the Licensee is obliged to do or not do pursuant to this Licence or any other licence granted to the Licensee under the Order shall be regarded as a cross-subsidy for the purposes of this Condition.

4 In this Condition:

Generation Business	means the authorised business (if any) of the Licensee or any affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee in the generation of electricity or in the provision of System Support Services.
Separate Business	means each of the Supply Business and the Generation Business (if any) taken separately from one another and from any other business of the Licensee or any affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee; but so that where all or any part of such business is carried on by an affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee, such part of the business as is carried on by that affiliate or related undertaking shall be consolidated with any other such business of the Licensee (and of any other affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee) so as to form a single Separate Business.

Condition 13: Not Used

Condition 14: Prohibition of discrimination in supply

1 This Condition applies where the Licensee (taken together with its affiliates and related undertakings) is in a dominant position in a market for the supply of electricity to Customers.

2 Where this Condition applies the Licensee shall not supply or offer to supply electricity to Customers in any market in which it is dominant on terms which are predatory.

3 Where this Condition applies but subject to paragraph 4, the Licensee (taken together with its affiliates and related undertakings) shall not, in supplying or offering terms for the supply of electricity to Customers in any market in which it is dominant:

(a) show undue preference to any person (or class of persons) within such market;

(b) exercise undue discrimination between any persons (or classes of person) within such market; or

(c) set terms which are unduly onerous.

4 Nothing in paragraph 3 shall prohibit the Licensee, within any area or class of Customers (the **relevant area or class**) in respect of which there is established competition in the supply of electricity, from supplying or offering to supply electricity on terms which are reasonably necessary to meet that competition, save that the Licensee (taken together with its affiliates and related undertakings) shall not, in supplying or offering terms for the supply of electricity:

(a) show undue preference to any persons (or class of persons) or exercise undue discrimination between any persons (or classes of person) within the relevant area or class of Customers; or

(b) set terms in respect of any person (or class of persons) in a market in which the Licensee is dominant, save such persons who are within the relevant area or class of Customers, which are unduly onerous.

5 For the purposes of this Condition, terms are unduly onerous if the revenue from the supply of electricity to Customers on those terms:

(a) significantly exceeds the costs of that supply; and

(b) exceeds such costs to a significantly greater degree than the revenue from supply to all other Customers of the Licensee (and of its affiliates and related undertakings) within the same market exceeds the costs of supply to those Customers.

6 For the purposes of this Condition, a market may be defined by reference to a geographical area, or to a class of Customer or both.

7 In determining, for the purposes of this Condition, whether any persons constitute a class of person, due regard shall be had to the circumstances of supply to such persons including (without limitation) volumes, load factors, conditions of interruptibility, location of premises being supplied and date and duration of the Contract or Deemed Contract.

8 For the purposes of this Condition, the Authority shall determine any question as to:

(a) whether any area or class of Customers constitutes a market for the supply of electricity;

(b) whether the Licensee (taken together with its affiliates and related undertakings) is dominant in any market for the supply of electricity;

(c) whether there is established competition in respect of the supply of electricity in any area or to any class of Customers; and

(d) whether any terms are predatory, having due regard to whether such terms:

(i) incorporate charges which do not reasonably cover the avoidable costs incurred in consequences of supplying the Customers in question; and

(ii) are intended or are likely to restrict, distort or prevent competition in the supply of electricity.

9 The Authority may, on the application of the Licensee, and following such consultation (if any) as the Authority may consider appropriate, issue directions relieving the Licensee of its obligations under this Condition in respect of such of the Licensee's arrangements or agreements as are specified in the direction and to such extent and subject to such conditions as may be specified in the direction.

10 In this Condition:

terms means all the terms on which a supply of electricity is offered or provided, including terms as to price, which significantly affect the evaluation of that supply.

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Condition 15: Duration of discrimination conditions

1 Condition 14 shall cease to have effect (in whole or in part, as the case may be) if the Licensee delivers to the Authority a request (a "Disapplication Request") made in accordance with this Condition and:

(a) the Authority agrees in writing to the Disapplication Request; or

(b) the application of Condition 14 (or part of it) is terminated by a notice (a "Disapplication Notice") given by the Licensee in accordance with paragraph 5 and not withdrawn.

2 A Disapplication Request pursuant to this Condition may be made by the Licensee only where the Authority has notified the Licensee, in accordance with paragraph 8 of Condition 14, of its determination that the Licensee is dominant in a specified market.

3 Save where the Authority otherwise agrees, no disapplication following delivery of a Disapplication Request pursuant to this Condition shall have effect, earlier than the date (the "Disapplication Date") which is 12 months after the date on which the request is made.

4 A Disapplication Request pursuant to this Condition shall:

(a) be in writing addressed to the Authority;

(b) specify Condition 14, or any part of it to which the request relates; and

(c) state the date from which the Licensee wishes the Authority to agree that Condition 14 (or the specified part of it) shall cease to have effect.

5 A Disapplication Notice pursuant to this Condition:

(a) may be given in the circumstances described in either paragraph 6 or 7;

(b) may be withdrawn at any time prior to the Disapplication Date; and

(c) where it is given shall:

(i) be in writing addressed to the Authority;

(ii) specify Condition 14 (or any part of it, which shall comprise only such part

as was specified in the Disapplication Request) to which the notice relates; and

(iii) state the date from which the notice is to take effect, which shall not be earlier than the Disapplication Date.

6 The circumstances described in this paragraph are that, by the beginning of the period of six months which will end the Disapplication Date, the Authority has not in response to the Disapplication Request published a decision under Article 14(8) of the Order to modify:

(a) Condition 14, or any part of it to which the Disapplication Request relates; or

(b) this condition 15, so as to remove the right of the Licensee to give to the Authority a Disapplication Notice in respect of the relevant Disapplication Request.

7 The circumstances described in this paragraph are that:

(a) by no later than the beginning of the period of six months which will end with the Disapplication Date, the Authority has in response to the Disapplication Request published a decision of a type referred to in paragraph 6;

(b) the Licensee has exercised its right to appeal to the CMA against that decision in accordance with Article 14B of the Order;

(c) the CMA has, in respect of the provisions to which the Disapplication Request relates:

(i) quashed the decision of the Authority under Article 14E(2)(a) of the Order; and

(ii) neither remitted the matter back to the Authority under Article 14E(2)(b) of the Order nor substituted its own decision for that of the Authority under Article 14E(2)(c) of the Order; and

(d) no more than 30 days has elapsed since the date on which the CMA quashed the decision of the Authority.

8 For the purposes of this Condition 15, any reference to a Disapplication Request or Disapplication Notice relating to the application of Condition 14 ‘in part’ shall be

interpreted as including a reference both to a part of that Condition and to the application of that Condition in respect of one or more specified markets.

Condition 16: Duty to offer terms for meter provision

1 The Licensee shall on application made by any person:

(a) offer to enter into an agreement for the provision of any relevant metering equipment whether, at the discretion of the Licensee, by way of sale, hire or loan; and

(b) where the terms offered are acceptable to the person making the application, sell, hire or loan the relevant metering equipment in accordance with such terms.

2 In making an offer to enter into an agreement in accordance with paragraph 1, the Licensee shall set out:

(a) the date by which the terms of the agreement shall be fulfilled (time being of the essence unless otherwise agreed between the parties);

(b) the charges to be paid to the Licensee; and

(c) such other detailed terms as are or may be appropriate for the purpose of the agreement.

3 The Licensee shall offer terms for agreements in accordance with paragraph 1 as soon as practicable after the receipt by the Licensee of an application containing all such information as it may reasonably require for the purpose of formulating the terms of the offer.

4 The Licensee shall not be obliged pursuant to this Condition to offer to enter or to enter into any agreement if to do so would be likely to cause the Licensee to be in breach of regulations made under Article 32 of the Order, provided that it has taken all reasonable steps to prevent such breach from occurring.

5 The Authority may, on the application of the Licensee, issue a direction relieving the Licensee of its obligations under paragraph 1 in respect of such relevant metering equipment and subject to such terms and conditions as may be specified in the direction.

6 The Licensee shall not enter into an agreement with any person for the provision of an electricity meter at any premises (whatever the nature of that agreement) which is intended

or is likely to restrict, distort or prevent competition in the supply of electricity.

7 In this Condition:

relevant metering equipment	means metering equipment owned by the Licensee and sited at any premises to which a supply of electricity is being or is required to be given by an Electricity Supplier other than the Licensee.

Condition 17: Procedures for the detection and prevention of theft, damage and meter interference

1 The Licensee shall (and shall ensure that its agents) take all reasonable steps to detect and prevent:

(a) the theft of electricity at premises which are supplied by it;

(b) damage to any electrical plant, electric line or electricity meter through which such premises are supplied; and

(c) interference with any electricity meter through which such premises are supplied.

2 The Licensee shall, as soon as is reasonably practicable, inform the owner of the relevant electrical plant, electric lines or meter of any incident where it has reason to believe:

(a) there has been damage to any electrical plant, electric line or meter; or

(b) there has been interference with any meter to alter its register or prevent it from duly registering the quantity of electricity supplied.

3 Where the Licensee has reason to believe that any incident reported to the owner in accordance with paragraph 2 has been caused by the criminal act of any person it shall, on complying with the requirement of that paragraph, provide the owner with such information as is reasonably required for the purposes of investigating the incident and resolving any safety concerns arising out of it.

4 The Licensee shall inform the owner of its policy in relation to incidents of the type referred to at paragraph 3, and in particular of the circumstances in which it requires the owner and/or operator of the distribution system to which the premises are connected to remedy such incidents by the use of:

(a) the substitution of alternative meters;

(b) the provision of prepayment meters; and

(c) the discontinuation of supply to the premises at which the incident occurred.

Condition 18: Licensee's apparatus on Customers' side of meter

1 This Condition applies where the Licensee installs a second meter or other apparatus for the purpose of ascertaining or regulating the amount of electricity supplied, the period of supply, or any other quantity or time connected with the supply on the Customer's side of the meter or meters registering the quantity of the supply to a Customer.

2 Any second meter or other apparatus installed by the Licensee in the position and for a purpose described in paragraph 1 shall be such that the power consumed by it, when aggregated with the power consumed by any other meter or apparatus installed by the Licensee in the like position and for a like purpose in relation to the Customer, does not exceed 10 watts except where otherwise agreed with the Customer.

Condition 19: Provision of Information to Transmission System Operator and Market Operator

1. The Licensee shall furnish to:

   (a) the Transmission System Operator; and

   (b) the Market Operator,

   in such manner and at such times as may be required, such information as each of them may reasonably require and which the Authority deems necessary for the purpose of complying with their respective obligations in relation to any authorised business or activity.

2. The information provided under paragraph 1 shall be furnished in accordance with directions issued by the Authority from time to time.

Condition 20: Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code

1 The Licensee shall become a party to the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code, and shall at all times remain a party to and comply with the Code, insofar as it is applicable to the Licensee in its capacity as an Electricity Supplier.

Condition 21: The PSO Agreement

1 The Licensee shall enter into, and at all times remain a party to, the PSO Agreement in its capacity as an Electricity Supplier.

Condition 22: Supplier of Last Resort

1 The Authority may give a Last Resort Supply Direction to the Licensee if it considers that:

(a) circumstances have arisen that would entitle it to revoke the electricity supply licence of an Electricity Supplier other than the Licensee (for this Condition only, the **other supplier**); and

(b) the Licensee could comply with the Last Resort Supply Direction without significantly prejudicing its ability:

(i) to continue to supply electricity to its Customers' premises; and

(ii) to fulfil its contractual obligations for the supply of electricity.

2 The Last Resort Supply Direction will:

(a) have effect on and from the date on which and the time at which the other supplier's electricity supply licence is revoked; and

(b) stop having effect on and from a date, specified in the Last Resort Supply Direction, that is up to six months after the date on which the direction has effect.

3 The Licensee shall, subject to paragraph 4, comply with a Last Resort Supply Direction.

4 The Licensee is not required to comply with a Last Resort Supply Direction in respect of premises to which it would not be required to supply electricity because of either of the exceptions set out in sub-paragraphs 4(a) and (b) of Condition 26.

5 Within a reasonable period of time after receiving a Last Resort Supply Direction, the Licensee must send a copy of a notice to each of the premises specified or described in the Last Resort Supply Direction to inform the Customer:

(a) that the other supplier stopped supplying electricity to his premises with effect on and from the date on which the Last Resort Supply Direction had effect;

(b) that the Licensee began to supply electricity to his premises with effect on and from the date on which the Last Resort Supply Direction had effect;

(c) that the Licensee is supplying electricity to the Customer's premises under a Deemed Contract;

(d) that the Customer may enter into a Contract with the Licensee or any other Electricity Supplier under which electricity will be supplied to his premises; and

(e) of the Charges for the Supply of Electricity that the Licensee may charge the Customer while supplying him under the Last Resort Supply Direction.

6 The Licensee's Charges for the Supply of Electricity to the premises specified or described in the Last Resort Supply Direction must not exceed an amount that may be expected, in total, approximately to equal the Licensee's reasonable costs of supply (including, where appropriate, the costs of purchasing electricity at short notice) and a reasonable profit.

7 If the Licensee purchases electricity to comply with a Last Resort Supply Direction, it must take all reasonable steps to do so as economically as possible in all the circumstances of the case.

8 The Licensee shall, so far as is reasonably practicable, give the Authority at least five days' notice of any increase in the Charges for the Supply of Electricity to premises to be supplied with electricity by it in accordance with a Last Resort Supply Direction.

9 Where, within five days of the receipt by the Authority of the notice referred to in paragraph 8, the Authority determines that the charges proposed by the Licensee would be likely to cause hardship to Domestic Customers, it may issue a direction to the Licensee requiring it to ensure that its Charges for the Supply of Electricity do not exceed those specified in the direction as being appropriate in order to avoid or mitigate such hardship.

10 The Licensee shall comply with any direction issued by the Authority under paragraph 9, but shall not be required by that direction to set its Charges for the Supply of Electricity at a level less than that applicable to the supply by it under Deemed Contracts of comparable Domestic Premises otherwise than in accordance with a Last Resort Supply Direction.

Condition 23: Claims for Last Resort Supply Payments

1. If the Licensee has received the Authority's consent under paragraph 5, it may make a claim for a Last Resort Supply Payment under condition 33 of the Successor Distribution Licence.

2. The Licensee must not make a claim for a Last Resort Supply Payment if it has waived its ability to do so by notice given to the Authority before the Authority gave it a Last Resort Supply Direction.

3. If the Licensee intends to make a claim for a Last Resort Supply Payment, it must**:**

   (a) give notice to the Authority of its claim; and

   (b) give the Authority a calculation of the amount claimed with information to support that calculation,

   within six months after the date on which the Last Resort Supply Direction to which the claim relates stops having effect.

4. The total amount of the Last Resort Supply Payment (for this Condition only, **the relevant amount**) to be claimed by the Licensee must not exceed the amount by which**:**

   (a) the total costs (including interest on working capital) reasonably incurred by the Licensee in supplying electricity to premises pursuant to the Last Resort Supply Direction and a reasonable profit,

   are greater than**:**

   (b) the total amounts recovered by the Licensee through Charges for the Supply of Electricity to premises under the Last Resort Supply Direction (after taking all reasonable steps to recover such charges).

5. If the Authority considers it appropriate in all the circumstances of the case for the Licensee to make the claim notified to it in accordance with paragraph 3, the Authority will give its consent in writing to the Licensee.

6. Within three months after it has been notified of the claim in accordance with paragraph 3,

the Authority may determine that an amount other than the one calculated by the Licensee is a more accurate calculation of the relevant amount.

7. If the Authority makes a determination under paragraph 6, the amount specified by it must be treated as the relevant amount for the purpose of paragraph 8.

8. A claim by the Licensee for a Last Resort Supply Payment from the Distribution Owner must specify**:**

   (a) the relevant amount to be paid by the Distribution Owner; and

   (b) whether payment is to be made by quarterly or monthly instalments.

9. A claim will lapse if the Licensee does not make it within six months after the Authority has given its consent under paragraph 5.

10. In this Condition:

Last Resort Supply Payment	means a sum of money payable to the Licensee to compensate for any additional costs it incurs in complying with a Last Resort Supply Direction.

Condition 24: Standards of Performance

1 The Licensee shall conduct the Supply Business in the manner which it reasonably considers to be best calculated to achieve any standards of overall performance or standards of performance in connection with the promotion of the efficient use of electricity by Customers that may be determined by the Authority pursuant to Articles 43 and 44 respectively of the Order.

Condition 25: Classification of Premises

General Rule

1. For the purposes of this Licence:

   (a) a Domestic Premises is any premises at which a supply of electricity is taken wholly or mainly for a domestic purpose; and

   (b) any other premises shall be treated as a Non-Domestic Premises,

   except to the extent otherwise provided by paragraph 2.

Exceptions to the General Rule

2. A premises that would otherwise be a Domestic Premises shall be treated as a Non-Domestic Premises if it is a premises of a type (a **relevant premises**) described at one or more of paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 below.

Accommodation services, Landlords etc.

3. A premises is a relevant premises if**:**

   (a) the person who has entered into a Contract with the Licensee for the supply of electricity to those premises is a person who has entered or will enter into an agreement with any other person for the provision of a residential or any other accommodation service at the premises, and

   (b) the terms of the agreement referred to in sub-paragraph (a) are commercial in nature and include a charge for the supply of electricity to the premises (whether such charge is express or implied).

Change of Use

4. A premises is a relevant premises if the Customer at that premises has begun to take a supply of electricity wholly or mainly for a domestic purpose only subsequent to**:**

   (a) the Licensee entering into a Contract with that Customer for those premises to be supplied with electricity as Non-Domestic Premises; or

(b) a Deemed Contract for the supply of electricity to Non-Domestic Premises has commenced in relation to those premises,

in which case the premises shall be treated as a Non-Domestic Premises until the Contract or the Deemed Contract (as the case may be) comes to an end.

Multi-Site Contracts

5. A premises is a relevant premises during any period in which it is supplied with electricity under a Multi-Site Contract.

6. For the purposes of paragraph 5, a **Multi-Site Contract** is a Contract for the supply of electricity to**:**

(a) one or more Non-Domestic Premises; and

(b) one or more premises at which electricity is taken wholly or mainly for a domestic purpose, but which are occupied for a purpose ancillary to that for which any of the Non-Domestic Premises that are supplied under the Contract is occupied,

and where all of those premises are owned or occupied by**:**

(c) the same person or body of persons, whether corporate or unincorporate; or

(d) an undertaking (the **principal undertaking**) and an affiliate of that principal undertaking, or any other undertaking in which the principal undertaking has a participating interest within the meaning of section 421A of the Financial Services and Market Act 2000.

Condition 25a: Balancing Market Principles Code of Practice

1. This Condition applies to the Licensee only where the Licensee operates in the Single Electricity Market as a Demand Side Unit. The Licensee shall ensure that, in formulating and submitting Commercial Offer Data to the Single Market Operation Business in the Balancing Market under the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code (whether by the Licensee itself or by any person acting on its behalf in relation to a Demand Side Unit for which the Licensee is the licensed supplier), it acts so as to secure its compliance with the Balancing Market Principles Code of Practice.

2. The Authority shall publish and subject to paragraph 3 below, from time to time by direction amend, a document to be known as the Balancing Market Principles Code of Practice, which:

   (a) shall apply to such categories of Commercial Offer Data submitted into the Balancing Market as may be specified in the Code of Practice from time to time;

   (b) shall make such provision as appears requisite to the Authority for the purpose of securing that such Commercial Offer Data reasonably reflect the short run marginal cost of operating the Demand Side Unit to which they relate (and thereby facilitating, by contributing to the mitigation of market power in the Single Electricity Market, the efficient operation of the Balancing Market);

   and the Authority may elect to perform the functions conferred by this paragraph jointly with the Commission for Energy Regulation.

3. The Authority shall, without prejudice to any additional requirements specified in the Code of Practice, consult with all licensees required to comply with the Code of Practice and such other persons as the Authority considers appropriate before making any direction to amend the Code of Practice.

4. The Authority may issue directions to the Licensee for the purposes of securing that the Licensee, in carrying out the activity to which paragraph 1 refers, complies with this Condition and with the Code of Practice, and the Licensee shall comply with such directions.

5. The Licensee shall retain records of each set of Relevant Commercial Offer Data, and all of its supporting data relevant to the calculation of the components of such Relevant

Commercial Offer Data, for a period of at least four years commencing on the date on which the Relevant Commercial Offer Data are submitted to the Single Market Operation Business.

6. The Licensee shall, if requested to do so by the Authority, provide the Authority with:

(a) a reasoned explanation of its calculations in relation to any Relevant Commercial Data; and

(b) supporting evidence sufficient to establish the consistency of those Relevant Commercial Offer Data with the obligations of the Licensee under this Condition and the Code of Practice.

7. In any case in which Relevant Commercial Offer Data are submitted to the Single Market Operation Business which are not consistent with the Licensee's obligation under paragraph 1 of this Condition, the Licensee shall immediately inform the Authority and provide to the Authority a statement of its reasons for the Relevant Commercial Offer Data submitted.

8. The Licensee shall by 1 June in each year submit to the Authority a certificate, signed by at least one director on behalf of the board of directors of the Licensee, to confirm that during the period of twelve months ending on the preceding 31 March:

(a) it has acted independently in relation to all submissions of Relevant Commercial Offer Data that have been submitted, by it or on its behalf, under the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code; and

(b) no such submissions made by it or on its behalf have been co-ordinated with any other submissions made by or on behalf of another party to the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code.

9. The provisions of this Condition (other than those of this paragraph and paragraph 10 below which shall come into immediate effect) shall come into effect on such day, and subject to such transitional arrangements, as the Authority may by direction appoint. Different days may be so appointed for different provisions and for different purposes.

10. In this Condition:

"Balancing Market"	has the meaning given to it in Part B of the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code , Part B;
"Balancing Market Principles Code of Practice" or "Code of Practice''	means the document of that title published by the Authority in accordance with paragraph 2, as it may be amended from time to time in accordance with the provisions of that paragraph;
"Commercial Offer Data"	has the meaning given to it in the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code as it may be amended form time to time;
"Demand Side Unit"	has the meaning given to it in the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code as it may be amended from time to time;
"Relevant Commercial Offer Data"	means Commercial Offer Data falling within the category specified in the Code of Practice; and
"Single Market Operation Business"	has the meaning given to it in Northern Ireland Market Operator Licence.

Condition 25b: Capacity Market Code

1 The Licensee shall be party to and shall comply with the Capacity Market Code insofar as applicable to it.

2 The provisions of this Condition (other than those of this paragraph and paragraph 3 below which shall come into immediate effect) shall come into effect on such day, and subject to such transitional arrangements, as the Authority may by direction appoint.

3 In this Condition:

"Capacity Market Code"	has the meaning given to that term in the Transmission System Operator licence.

Part II: Customer Related Conditions

Condition 26: Duty to Offer Terms

1 Where the Licensee supplies, or offers to supply, electricity to Domestic Premises, it must, within a reasonable period of time after receiving a request from a Domestic Customer for a supply of electricity to Domestic Premises, offer to enter into a Contract with that Customer.

2 If the Domestic Customer accepts the terms of the Contract offered to him under paragraph 1, the Licensee must supply electricity in accordance with that Contract.

3 A Contract must:

(a) be in writing; and

(b) include all the terms and conditions for the supply of electricity as provided for in Condition 27.

4 The Licensee is not required to comply with the obligations set out in paragraphs 1 or 2 in any of the following circumstances:

(a) supplying electricity to the Domestic Premises would put the Licensee in breach of regulations made under Article 32 of the Order, provided that it has taken all reasonable steps to prevent such breach from occurring;

(b) it is not reasonable in all the circumstances of the case for the Licensee to supply electricity to the Domestic Premises, provided that, if it is already supplying electricity to the premises, it has given at least seven working days' notice of its intention to stop doing so; or

(c) the Licensee requires the Domestic Customer to pay a reasonable Security Deposit and he does not do so.

5 In this Condition:

Security Deposit	means a deposit of money paid by a Customer as security for the payment of charges for the supply of

electricity by the Licensee to the premises at which he is (or is to be) supplied, and may include a sum as security the provision of metering equipment.

Condition 27: Terms and Conditions of Electricity Supply Contracts

1 The Licensee shall ensure that any Contract it enters, or offers to enter, into with a Customer for a supply of electricity contains provisions which are in clear and comprehensible language and which incorporate all relevant information so as to enable the Customer to understand the terms and conditions under which the supply of electricity is, or is to be, made.

2 The Licensee shall ensure that the terms and conditions of any Contract it enters into with a Customer for a supply of electricity provide:

(a) that the Contract will terminate automatically from the date that a Last Resort Supply Direction, given to another Electricity Supplier, takes effect in relation to the premises supplied under that Contract;

(b) that the Licensee will, where the premises is at the date of the Contract connected to an electricity distribution system, start supplying electricity under the Contract by no later than 15 working days after the Relevant Date, unless:

(i) the Customer requests that the supply starts from a later date; or

(ii) the Registered Supplier for the premises objects to the Supplier Transfer; or

(iii) there are other circumstances beyond the Licensee's control which prevent it from starting to supply by that date.

3 The Licensee shall not enter, or offer to enter, into a Contract, for the supply of electricity to premises, which contains a term that requires or has the effect of requiring the Customer to:

(a) obtain a supply of electricity to the same premises from another Electricity Supplier from a date and for such period as may be specified (whether in the Contract or otherwise) by the Licensee; and

(b) immediately following the expiry of that specified period, recommence taking a supply of electricity at the premises from the Licensee.

4 Before entering into or concluding a Contract with any Domestic Customer, the Licensee

shall:

(a) explain to and draw to the attention of the Domestic Customer, the Principal Terms of the Contract; and

(b) inform the Domestic Customer of the Energy Consumer Checklist and of the sources from where the Customer may obtain a copy;

(c) provide a copy of the Energy Consumer Checklist free of charge to any Domestic Customer requesting it; and

(d) give the Domestic Customer a written copy of the full terms and conditions of the Contract, including without limitation all the information referred to in paragraph 7.

5 The Licensee:

(a) shall determine standard terms and conditions for the supply of electricity to Domestic Customers;

(b) may determine different standard terms and conditions for different cases or classes of case or for different areas;

(c) shall ensure that each set of standard terms and conditions it determines includes all of the terms and conditions that will apply to any Contract entered into with a Domestic Customer on that set of standard terms and conditions;

(d) shall not determine standard terms and conditions which impose an obligation on the Domestic Customer to pay a termination fee, unless any such obligation has been approved in advance by the Authority;

(e) shall ensure that an up to date copy of each set of standard terms and conditions that it has determined is published on and accessible from its website;

(f) shall not enter, or offer to enter, into a Contract for the supply of electricity with a Domestic Customer otherwise than on a set of standard terms and conditions as determined in accordance with this paragraph 5.

6 The Licensee shall for any different case, class of case or area in respect of which it has

determined standard terms and conditions in accordance with paragraph 5, as a minimum determine a set of standard terms and conditions:

(a) which provide for a Contract of an indefinite length; and

(b) in respect of which the terms as to price do not differ as between any Domestic Customers who may enter into that Contract (a **standard evergreen tariff**), provided that the Licensee may have a different standard evergreen tariff for each payment method offered by it.

7 The Licensee shall ensure that each set of standard terms and conditions it determines for Domestic Customers shall be fair (as between the Licensee and each Domestic Customer) and shall, as a minimum, include the following:

(a) the identity and address of the Licensee and any other appropriate contact details;

(b) the services to be provided, the service quality levels offered by the Licensee (which may be subject to the approval of the Authority pursuant to Condition 29) and the date for the commencement of the electricity supply under the Contract;

(c) the duration of the Contract, the terms and conditions for renewal and for termination of the Contract (which terms and conditions shall be compliant with the requirements of this Condition), the services provided under the Contract and the existence of any right of cancellation or termination of the Contract;

(d) (if offered by the Licensee) the types of maintenance service offered under the Contract;

(e) a right for the Domestic Customer to withdraw from and cancel the Contract:

(i) where a supply of electricity has at any time previously been taken at the premises, within ten working days of entering into the Contract; or

(ii) where a supply of electricity has not previously been taken at the premises, within ten working days of entering into the Contract, or any time up to ten working days prior to the premises being connected to a distribution system, whichever is the later;

(f) a right for the Domestic Customer to terminate the Contract where the Licensee proposes a variation to the terms and conditions of the Contract and the Domestic Customer does not wish to accept such new terms and conditions;

(g) the tariffs, charges and other payments which apply to the Contract and are required to be paid by the Domestic Customer, in a manner that enables the Domestic Customer to:

(i) identify the applicable tariff and the unit rate, in terms expressed as "pence per kWh", of the applicable tariff;

(ii) identify any other charge or payment, including in particular:

(A) any applicable standing charge;

(B) any payment which is or has the effect of being a Security Deposit;

(iii) where the applicable tariff is not a standard evergreen tariff (because the Contract is not of an indefinite length), compare the unit rate of the applicable tariff against the unit rate of the standard evergreen tariff (in each case expressed in "pence per kWh") that would apply if the relevant set of standard terms and conditions applied to a Contract of indefinite length;

(h) the means by which up to date information on all applicable tariffs, charges and other payments (including any discounts and promotions) for the supply of electricity and for any other services which are to be provided under the Contract:

(i) can be promptly obtained by the Domestic Customer; and

(ii) will be communicated to the Domestic Customer in writing by the Licensee;

(i) the compensation and the refund arrangements (if any) which will apply if contracted service quality levels, including service quality levels relating to the timing, frequency and accuracy of bills and statements, are not met (which arrangements may be subject to the approval of the Authority pursuant to Condition 29);

(j) details of how the Domestic Customer may initiate the Licensee's complaint

handling procedure (as established under Condition 33); and

(k) details of how the Domestic Customer can contact, and the relevant address and telephone number of, the General Consumer Council for further help and advice.

8 Subject to paragraph 9, the Licensee shall not start to supply electricity under a Contract entered into with a Domestic Customer until the cancellation period referred to in paragraph 7(e) has expired.

9 The requirement in paragraph 8 does not apply where:

(a) the Licensee or any other Electricity Supplier has applied in writing to the Authority for paragraph 8 not to apply in respect of such circumstances or cases as described in the application; and

(b) the Authority has issued a direction to the Licensee that the requirement in paragraph 8 shall not apply in respect of such circumstances or cases as are specified in direction and from such date as may be specified in the direction.

10 The Authority may, at any time and following consultation with the Licensee, by a further direction amend or revoke a direction (or part thereof) given to the Licensee under paragraph 9(b).

11 Where the Licensee proposes to vary any of the terms and conditions of a Contract it has with a Domestic Customer, it shall, by way of sending a notice that:

(a) sets out the information in clear, transparent and easy to read and understand language; and

(b) where the variation relates to terms as to price, sets out the unit rate (expressed in each case in 'pence per kWh') of the Domestic Customer's current tariff and of the proposed new tariff,

notify each such Domestic Customer of the proposed variation, together with the Customer's right (as included in the Contract in accordance with paragraph 7(f)) to terminate the Contract before the proposed variation is due to take effect, at least 21 days in advance of the date the variation is due to take effect.

12 Where the Licensee enters into a Contract with a Domestic Customer which has a fixed term period:

(a) any such Contract may not include any term or condition which has the effect of:

(i) extending the length of that fixed term period; or

(ii) applying a consecutive fixed term period,

unless the Domestic Customer has the right to terminate the Contract at any time in the extended or consecutive fixed term period without payment of a termination fee; and

(b) the Licensee shall, by way of sending a notice, notify each such Domestic Customer of:

(i) the expiry date of the fixed term period at least 21 but no more than 42 days before that expiry date;

(ii) the name and unit rate, expressed as "pence per kWh", of the Domestic Customer's current tariff; and

(iii) details of the standard evergreen tariff, including the applicable unit rate expressed as "pence per kWh", that will apply under the Contract following the expiry date of the fixed term period.

13 The Licensee shall, on the request of a Domestic Customer and without charge, send to that Customer a copy of the then current set or sets of standard terms and conditions (as determined in accordance with this Condition) that are applicable to the request (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the applicable charges and tariffs relating to each such set).

14 The Licensee shall ensure that its standard terms and conditions provide Domestic Customers with a choice of payment methods, including as a minimum making payment:

(a) in arrears (at such frequency as is set out in the terms and conditions);

(b) by direct debit (at such frequency as is set out in the terms and conditions); and

(c) in advance through a prepayment meter.

15 Any difference in or between the Licensee's standard terms and conditions, including terms as to price, relating to the choice of payment methods shall be determined by the Licensee on a basis which reflects the costs to the Licensee of providing the different payment methods.

16 The Licensee shall not impose on, or request from, a Domestic Customer any charge or payment for the purpose of enabling that Customer to exercise or preventing him from exercising (as the case may be) his right to receive a supply of electricity from his Electricity Supplier of choice.

17 Where a Contract also relates to or governs the provision of other good or services, the Licensee shall ensure that the charges for such other goods or services are identified separately from the Charges for the Supply of Electricity.

18 The Licensee shall ensure that the terms and conditions of any Contract it enters into with a Small Business Customer include a right for the Small Business Customer to terminate the Contract where the Licensee proposes a variation to those terms and conditions and the Small Business Customer does not wish to accept such new terms and conditions.

19 Where the Licensee proposes to vary any of the terms and conditions of a Contract it has with a Small Business Customer, it shall do so by way of sending a written notice to the Small Business Customer that:

(a) sets out the information in clear, transparent and easy to read and understand language; and

(b) where the variation relates to terms as to price, sets out all of the charges included in the Small Business Customer's current tariff and of the proposed new tariff, and;

notify each such Small Business Customer of the proposed variation, together with the Small Business Customer's right (as included in the Contract in accordance with paragraph 27.18) to terminate the Contract before the proposed variation is due to take effect, at least 21 days in advance of the date the variation is due to take effect.

20 Where the Licensee enters into a Contract with a Small Business Customer which has a fixed term period:

(a) any such Contract may not include any term or condition that prevents the Small Business Customer from terminating the Contract at any time after that initial fixed term period without a notice period or payment of a termination fee;

(b) without prejudice to the generality of Condition 27.20(a), any such Contract may not include any term or condition which has the effect of:

(i) extending the length of that fixed term period; or

(ii) applying a consecutive fixed term period,

unless the Small Business Customer has the right to terminate the Contract at any time in the extended or consecutive fixed term period without a notice period or payment of a termination fee; and

(c) the Licensee shall, by way of sending a notice, notify each such Small Business Customer of:

(i) the expiry date of the fixed term period at least 21 but no more than 42 days before that expiry date, and;

(ii) the name and unit rate, expressed as "pence per kWh", of the Small Business Customer's current tariff; and

(iii) details of all of the charges included in the new tariff , that will apply under the Contract following the expiry date of the fixed term period.

21 In this Condition:

Market Registration Service	means the service described in the electricity distribution licence held by the person that is the owner and/or operator of the Distribution System to which the premises are connected and through which the Customer is supplied with electricity ;
Relevant Date	means the earlier of: (i) the day after the end of any period within which the Customer has a right to withdraw from and cancel the Contract; or (ii) 10 working days after the day on which the Customer entered into the Contract.
Registered Supplier	means the electricity supplier which is registered with the Market Registration Service as being the electricity supplier responsible for providing a supply of electricity to the Customer at the relevant premises.
Small Business Customer	means a Non-Domestic Customer supplied with electricity and consuming less than 50 MWh per annum based on its most recent previous actual 12 months consumption or, where such data is not available, the estimated consumption used for customer billing or the Actual or Estimated Usage Factor (AUF or EUF) as defined in the Market Registration Code approved by the Authority in accordance with a condition of the Distribution Licence held by a Licensed Distributor. This does not include a non-domestic customer that is a single legal entity with more than one premises where the total electricity consumption of those premises is more than 50 MWh per annum.

Supplier Transfer	means, as the case may be, the transfer of responsibility for the supply of electricity to a premises from the Licensee to another Electricity Supplier or from another Electricity Supplier to the Licensee.
terms and conditions	means all the terms and conditions, including terms as to price, of the Contract.

Condition 27A: Security Deposits

1 The Licensee shall not require a Domestic Customer to pay a Security Deposit in respect of the supply of electricity to the Domestic Customer's premises:

(a) where the Domestic Customer agrees for the electricity to be supplied through a prepayment meter and it is safe and reasonably practicable in all the circumstances of the case for the Licensee to supply the premises through such a meter; or

(b) where it is unreasonable in all the circumstances of the case to require the Domestic Customer to pay a Security Deposit.

2 Any Security Deposit required by the Licensee shall be of an amount that:

(a) is reasonable in all the circumstances of the case; and

(b) does not exceed the Charges of the Supply of Electricity likely to be applicable for an average three month period of supply, as calculated by reference to the consumption of electricity reasonably expected at the relevant premises by the Domestic Customer..

3 The Licensee shall, where it requires a Domestic Customer to pay a Security Deposit, at the same time inform the Domestic Customer of the effect of paragraph 5.

4 Subject to paragraph 5, any Security Deposit given by a Domestic Customer shall be repaid by the Licensee:

(a) within 28 days where, in the previous 12 months, the Domestic Customer has paid all Charges for the Supply of Electricity demanded from him within 28 days of each written demand made; or

(b) as soon as reasonably practicable, and in any event within 1 month, where the Licensee has ceased to supply the Domestic Customer and the customer has paid all Charges for the Supply of Electricity demanded from him.

5 Sub-paragraph 4(a) shall not apply where it is reasonable in all the circumstances for the Licensee to retain the Security Deposit.

6 The Licensee shall not require a Small Business Customer to pay a Security Deposit in respect of the supply of electricity to the Small Business Customer's premises:

(a) where the Small Business Customer agrees for the electricity to be supplied through a prepayment meter and it is safe and reasonably practicable in all the circumstances of the case for the Licensee to supply the premises through such a meter; or

(b) where it is unreasonable in all the circumstances of the case to require the Small Business Customer to pay a Security Deposit.

7 Any Security Deposit required by the Licensee shall be of an amount that:

(a) is reasonable in all the circumstances of the case; and

(b) does not exceed the Charges of the Supply of Electricity likely to be applicable for an average three month period of supply, as calculated by reference to the consumption of electricity reasonably expected at the relevant premises by the Small Business Customer.

8 The Licensee shall ensure that the methodology used to calculate the amount of any Security Deposit required to be paid by a Small Business Customer:

(a) is published on and made readily accessible from its website; and

(b) allows the Small Business Customer to reasonably understand the likely amount of any Security Deposit that it may be required to pay.

9 In this Condition:

Small Business Customer means a Non-Domestic Customer supplied with electricity and consuming less than 50 MWh per annum based on its most recent previous actual 12 months consumption or, where such data is not available, the estimated consumption used for customer billing or the Actual or Estimated Usage Factor (AUF or EUF) as defined in the Market Registration Code approved by the

Authority in accordance with a condition of the Distribution Licence held by a Licensed Distributor. This does not include a non-domestic customer that is a single legal entity with more than one premises where the total electricity consumption of those premises is more than 50 MWh per annum.

Condition 28: Deemed Contracts

1 The Licensee shall, in accordance with paragraph 3 of Schedule 6 to the Order, make a scheme for determining the terms and conditions of its Deemed Contracts.

2 The Licensee shall ensure that each of its Deemed Contracts provides that it will terminate automatically in the event that a Last Resort Supply Direction is given to another Electricity Supplier in relation to the premises supplied under that Deemed Contract.

3 Subject to paragraph 5, the Licensee must take all reasonable steps to ensure that the terms of each of its Deemed Contracts are not unduly onerous.

4 For the purposes of paragraph 3, the terms of a Deemed Contract shall be unduly onerous for any class of Domestic Customers, or for any class of Non-Domestic Customers, only if the revenue derived from supplying electricity to the premises of the relevant class of customers on those terms:

(a) significantly exceeds the Licensee's costs of supplying electricity to those premises; and

(b) exceeds such costs of supplying electricity by significantly more than the Licensee's revenue exceeds its costs of supplying electricity to the premises of the generality of its Domestic Customers or, as the case may be, to the premises of the generality of its Non-Domestic Customers (in each case excluding from the calculation premises supplied under a Last Resort Supply Direction).

5 Where a Customer is being supplied by the Licensee with electricity under a Deemed Contract as a result of a Last Resort Supply Direction being issued in relation to his premises, paragraph 3 shall not apply until that direction stops having effect.

6 The Licensee shall ensure that each of its Deemed Contracts shall provide that, where a Customer intends his premises to be supplied with electricity under a Contract agreed with the Licensee or any other Electricity Supplier, the Deemed Contract will continue to have effect until the Licensee or the other Electricity Supplier, as appropriate, begins to supply electricity to the premises under such a Contract.

7 If the Licensee supplies electricity to a Customer under a Deemed Contract, the Licensee

may not demand of the Customer any sum of money or other compensation (whether financial or otherwise) solely because the Deemed Contract is terminated (by whatever means).

8 If the Licensee supplies electricity to a Customer's premises under a Deemed Contract, it must take all reasonable steps to:

(a) provide that Customer with a notice:

(i) setting out the Principal Terms of the Deemed Contract;

(ii) informing the Customer that Contracts with terms and conditions that may be different from the terms and conditions of Deemed Contracts may be available from the Licensee and of how further information about such terms may be obtained; and

(b) enter into a Contract with the Customer as soon as reasonably practicable.

9 If any person requests a copy of a Deemed Contract that the Licensee has available, the Licensee must provide it to that person within a reasonable period of time after receiving the request.

10 In determining the number of kilowatt hours of electricity that are to be treated as supplied to or taken at premises under a Deemed Contract, the Licensee must act reasonably and take into account available electricity consumption data for the premises and any other relevant factor.

Condition 29: Approval of the Authority to the Licensee's Arrangements

1 The Licensee shall, within 28 days of any notice from the Authority requiring it to do so, provide to the Authority full details of the arrangements which it has in place in respect of any of the matters set out in paragraph 3 and referred to in that notice.

2 If the Authority, within three months of the Licensee providing such details to the Authority, by notice in writing to the Licensee requires the Licensee to make any modifications to those arrangements, the Licensee shall, as soon as is practicable but in any event within 60 days of the date of the notice, modify such arrangements accordingly.

3 The matters referred to in paragraph 1 are:

(a) the service quality levels offered by the Licensee to Domestic Customers under and in accordance with any Contract for the supply of electricity to such Customers; and

(b) the compensation and refund arrangements which are to apply where the Licensee is unable to meet such contracted service quality levels.

Condition 30: Code of Practice on payment of bills

1 This Condition shall apply where the Licensee supplies, or offers to supply, electricity to Domestic Premises.

2 The Licensee shall, no later than three months after this Condition takes effect or such later date as the Authority directs, prepare, submit to and have approved by the Authority a code of practice which sets out the services the Licensee will make available to assist Domestic Customers who through misfortune or inability to cope with credit terms, may have difficulty in paying their electricity bills (the **Code of Practice**).

3 The Code of Practice shall set out the arrangements by which the Licensee will:

(a) distinguish, so far as is reasonably practicable, those Customers who may have difficulty in paying bills through misfortune or inability to cope with credit terms (**"Customers in difficulties"**) from other Customers in default;

(b) provide relevant information as to how Customers in difficulties might be able to reduce their bills in the future by the more efficient use of electricity;

(c) make arrangements, taking into account Customers' ability to comply with such arrangements, which enable Customers in difficulties to pay in instalments the charges accrued for the supply of electricity ("instalment arrangements");

(d) detect failures by Customers in difficulties to comply with the instalment arrangements;

(e) ascertain, with the assistance of any information provided by other persons or organisations, the ability of Customers in difficulties to comply with the instalment arrangements;

(f) provide for Customers who have failed to comply with the instalment arrangements, or procure for them the provision of, a prepayment meter (where safe and practicable to do so);

(g) calibrate any prepayment meter provided, whether in accordance with paragraph (f) above or otherwise, so as to take into account Customers' ability to pay any

outstanding charges due from them to the Licensee in addition to the other charges lawfully being recovered through the prepayment meter;

(h) ensure that any calibration of the prepayment meter to recover outstanding charges due from any Customer does not operate so as to recover more than 40% (except where the Customer has in writing requested for a higher percentage to apply) from each amount that is purchased by the Customer in any single transaction (and thereby transferred to the token, key or card by which the prepayment meter is operated), as payment of or towards the outstanding charges; and

(i) in so far as is reasonable and practicable to do so, take all reasonable steps to avoid cutting off the supply of electricity to Domestic Premises occupied by Customers in difficulties unless it has first taken all reasonable steps to recover the charges accrued for the supply of electricity to the premises by means of a prepayment meter.

4 This Condition is subject to Condition 35: Preparation, Revision Of and Compliance with Codes of Practice.

Condition 31: Code of Practice on Provision of Services for persons who are of Pensionable Age or Disabled or Chronically Sick

1 This Condition shall apply where the Licensee supplies, or offers to supply, electricity to Domestic Premises.

2 The Licensee shall, no later than three months after this Condition takes effect or such later date as the Authority directs, prepare, submit to and have approved by the Authority a code of practice describing the particular services the Licensee will make available for each of its Domestic Customers who is:

(a) of pensionable age;

(b) disabled, including in particular Domestic Customers who are disabled by virtue of being blind, partially sighted, deaf or hearing impaired; or

(c) chronically sick,

(the **Code of Practice**).

3 The Code of Practice shall set out the arrangements by which the Licensee will at the request of any such Domestic Customer, where reasonably practicable and appropriate, and in each case free of charge:

(a) provide special controls and adaptors for electrical appliances and meters and reposition meters (including in both cases prepayment meters);

(b) provide special means, including agreeing a password with the Customer, of identifying officers authorised by the Licensee;

(c) give advice on the use of electricity;

(d) send bills in respect of the supply of electricity to the Customer's premises to any other person as nominated by the Customer where that person agrees to receive them (irrespective of whether or not the bill is also sent to the Customer); and

(e) where neither the Customer nor any other person occupying his premises is able to read the electricity meter at the premises, arrange to read that meter at least once each quarter and inform the Customer of that reading.

4 The Code of Practice shall include arrangements by which the Licensee will:

(a) on request and free of charge:

(i) provide services which will enable a Domestic Customer who is blind or partially sighted to receive, by means that are readily accessible to such Customers, information about (or set out in) any bill or statement relating to the supply of electricity or any other services provided to the Customer by the Licensee;

(ii) make available facilities which will assist any Domestic Customer who is blind or partially sighted or deaf or hearing impaired and in possession of appropriate equipment, to enquire or complain about any bill or statement relating to the supply of electricity to him or any service provided by the Licensee;

(b) not cut off, in any month from October to March, the supply of electricity to the Domestic Premises in respect of which the Domestic Customer has not paid Charges for the Supply of Electricity if the Domestic Customer at the Domestic Premises:

(i) is of pensionable age, disabled or chronically sick; and

(ii) lives alone or only with other persons who are of pensionable age, disabled, chronically sick or under the age of 18;

(c) take all reasonable steps to avoid, in any month from October to March, cutting off the supply of electricity to a Domestic Premises in respect of which the Domestic Customer has not paid the Charges for the Supply of Electricity to the Domestic Premises where the occupants of the Domestic Premises include a person who is of pensionable age, disabled or chronically sick and to whom paragraph 4(b) does not apply; and

(d) take all reasonable steps to ascertain, before it exercises any right it may have to cut off the supply of electricity to Domestic Premises, whether the Domestic Premises is one that falls within the scope of paragraph (b) or (c) above.

5 The Code of Practice shall include the Licensee's arrangements for:

(a) establishing and maintaining a register which:

(i) lists all of the Licensee's Domestic Customers who are of pensionable age, disabled or chronically sick and have asked to be included in the register; and

(ii) contains sufficient information about the age, disability or chronic sickness of each such Domestic Customer in order to identify his special needs or requirements;

(b) informing on at least an annual basis each of its Domestic Customers of the existence of the register and how Domestic Customers who are of pensionable age, disabled or chronically sick can be included on it;

(c) providing, without charge, to a Domestic Customer included on the register, advice and information on the services that can be provided to him by the Licensee because of his age, disability or chronic sickness; and

(d) providing the information in the register to any relevant party licensed under the Electricity Order to distribute electricity in an appropriate form and at appropriate intervals.

6 The Licensee shall, in respect of each Domestic Premises to which it cuts off the supply of electricity:

(a) maintain for at least a period of six months, or (where a complaint has been made in respect of the Licensee's actions to cut off the supply) for at least a period of six months after the complaint has been resolved; and

(b) provide to the Authority on request,

evidence of the reasonable steps it took pursuant to the arrangements set out in its Code of Practice in accordance with paragraph 4(e) above.

7 For the purposes of this Condition a person is 'disabled' if he/she has a 'disability' within the meaning given to that term in the Disability Discrimination (Northern Ireland) Order

2006.

8 This Condition is subject to Condition 35: Preparation, Revision Of and Compliance with Codes of Practice.

Condition 32: Code of Practice on the efficient use of electricity

1 The Licensee shall, no later than three months after this Condition takes effect or such later date as the Authority directs, prepare, submit to and have approved by the Authority a code of practice setting out the ways in which the Licensee will make available to Customers information and guidance on the efficient use of electricity (the **Code of Practice**).

2 The Code of Practice shall include arrangements by which the Licensee will make available information and advice about:

(a) the efficient use of electricity as will enable Customers to make informed judgments about measures to improve the efficiency with which they use the electricity supplied to them;

(b) the availability of heating systems and controls which are best calculated to make efficient use of electricity, and the selection and operation of such systems and controls;

(c) the financial costs and benefits of energy efficient electricity appliances;

(d) sources, including the availability of a telephone information service, within the Licensee's organisation from which Customers may obtain further information about the efficient use of electricity supplied to them; and

(e) organisations (to the extent that the Licensee is aware of them) outside the Licensee's business from which Customers may obtain additional information or assistance about:

(i) measures to improve the efficiency with which they use the electricity supplied to them;

(ii) the availability of financial assistance from Central or Local Government in respect of the costs of any such measures; and

(iii) bodies in receipt of financial support from Government in connection with measures to promote the efficiency of energy use.

3 The arrangements included in the Code of Practice pursuant to paragraph 2(e) shall provide for the contact details (including web-site addresses) of at least one organisation that provides information or assistance in respect of paragraph 2(e)(i) to be made available to customers:

(a) on each occasion the Licensee:

(i) enters into a Contract with the Customer; or

(ii) makes a variation to the Contract entered into with a Customer;

(b) with each bill or statement sent to the Customer; and

(c) on the Licensee's web-site

4 This Condition is subject to Condition 35: Preparation, Revision Of and Compliance with Codes of Practice.

Condition 33: Code of Practice on Complaints Handling Procedure

1 The Licensee shall, no later than three months after this Condition takes effect or such later date as the Authority directs, prepare, submit to and have approved by the Authority a code of practice for the handling of consumer complaints (the **Code of Practice**).

2 The Code of Practice shall include arrangements by which the Licensee will establish and operate an accessible, equitable and transparent, simple and inexpensive complaints procedure which shall enable any person who is being supplied with electricity by the Licensee or has at any time received a supply of electricity from the Licensee, to bring and have promptly dealt with any complaint he may have in respect of the Licensee's activities in providing such a supply.

3 The complaints procedure established and operated by the Licensee in accordance with the Code of Practice shall as a minimum:

(a) specify the period, which may differ for different types of complaint but which shall not be longer than three months, within which it is intended that complaints will be processed and resolved;

(b) be made available to any person without charge;

(c) facilitate the fair and prompt settlement of complaints and disputes; and

(d) provide for a system, where required by the Authority under Condition 29 or otherwise warranted, of making a reimbursement and/or compensation payment to complainants.

4 This Condition is subject to Condition 35: Preparation, Revision Of and Compliance with Codes of Practice.

Condition 34: Code of Practice on Services for Prepayment Meter Customers

1 This Condition shall apply where the Licensee supplies, or offer to supply, electricity to Domestic Premises.

2 The Licensee shall, no later than three months after this Condition takes effect or such later date as the Authority directs prepare, submit to and have approved by the Authority a code of practice describing the services the Licensee will make available for its Domestic Customers who pay by prepayment meter (the **Code of Practice**).

3 The Code of Practice shall include arrangements by which the Licensee will:

(a) provide advice, information, services and facilities, including the availability of emergency credit, which will assist the Domestic Customer to avoid being without a supply of electricity at particular times or in particular circumstances;

(b) instructions for the operation of the prepayment meter system, including token availability, emergency credit and other such facilities;

(c) details of the advantages and disadvantages of prepayment meters, including situations or types of Customer for which they are particularly suited or unsuited;

(d) details of any additional charges which may be payable for the use of prepayment meters and the basis on which these charges are calculated;

(e) details of where the Customer may obtain information or assistance if the prepayment meter or any device used to allow the Charges for the Supply of Electricity to be paid through the prepayment meter is not operating effectively; and

(f) information about the procedures the Licensee will follow when removing or resetting the prepayment meter, including the timescale and any conditions for removing or resetting it.

(g) ensure that any calibration of the prepayment meter to recover outstanding charges due from any Customer does not operate so as to recover more than 40% (except where the Customer has in writing requested for a higher percentage to apply) from each amount that is purchased by the Customer in any single transaction (and thereby transferred to the token, key or card by which the prepayment meter is

operated), as payment of or towards the outstanding charges.

4 The Licensee shall, no later than three months after this Condition takes effect or such later date as the Authority directs establish, and submit to the Authority, such arrangements as will ensure that in an event in which:

(a) the Authority considers that circumstances have arisen that would entitle the Authority to revoke the Licence; or

(b) the Licensee proposes to assign or transfer its business to another electricity supplier or cease its business as an electricity supplier,

each of the Licensee's prepayment Domestic Customers is able to continue using, and to do so on the same basis, the prepayment meter services being provided to that Domestic Customer by the Licensee until at least such time as either:

(c) a Last Resort Supply Direction issued to another Electricity Supplier in accordance with Condition 22 takes effect; or

(d) another Electricity Supplier starts to supply electricity to the Domestic Customer.

5 The Licensee shall not prevent the customer from purchasing their electricity in advance though a prepayment meter.

6 In this Condition "prepayment meter services" means the system of services for the operation of prepayment meters operated by the use of tokens, keys or cards.

7 Paragraphs 2 and 3 of this Condition are subject to Condition 35: Preparation, Revision Of and Compliance with Codes of Practice.

Condition 35: Preparation, Revision Of and Compliance with Codes of Practice

1 This Condition applies to any Code of Practice (**Code**) which the Licensee is, pursuant to Conditions 30 – 34 of this Licence, required to prepare, submit to and have approved by the Authority.

2 The Licensee shall comply with the Code of Practice minimum standards on Payment of Bills, Code of Practice minimum standards on Provision of Services for persons who are of Pensionable Age or Disabled or Chronically Sick, Code of Practice minimum standards on Complaints Handling Procedure, Code of Practice minimum standards on Services for Prepayment Customers and Code of Practice minimum standards on the efficient use of electricity, as amended or replaced from time to time.

3 The Licensee shall, before submitting any Code to the Authority for its approval, consult the General Consumer Council and shall consider any representations made by it about the Code or the manner in which it is likely to be operated.

4 The Licensee shall, whenever requested to do so by the Authority, review any Code and the manner in which it has been operated, with a view to determining whether any modification should be made to that Code or to the manner of its operation.

5 In carrying out any such review the Licensee shall consult the General Consumer Council and shall consider any representations made by it about the Code or the manner in which it is likely to be or has been operated.

6 The Authority, following consultation with the Licensee, the General Consumer Council and any other person who in the opinion of the Authority is likely to be interested or affected, may from time to time make such modifications to Conditions 30-34**,** as the Authority considers are necessary or expedient.

7 Where the Authority modifies a Condition in accordance with paragraph 6:

(a) it shall:

(i) send a copy of the modification to the Licensee and the Department;

(ii) publish a copy of the modification in such manner as it considers appropriate for the purpose of bringing it to the attention of persons likely to be affected

by the making of the modification; and

(b) the Licensee shall revise the Code to which the modification relates in such manner and to such extent as is required to ensure that the Code reflects and complies with the modified Condition.

8 Where the Licensee revises a Code:

(a) in accordance with paragraph 7(b) above; or

(b) following a review undertaken in accordance with paragraphs 4 and 5,

it shall submit the revised Code to, and have it approved by, the Authority.

9 The Licensee shall:

(a) as soon as practicable following the Authority's approval of a Code (including following a revision):

(i) send a copy of the Code to the Authority and the General Consumer Council; and

(ii) draw the attention of its Customers to the Code and of how they may inspect or obtain a copy of it;

(b) publish on and make readily accessible from its website a copy of the Code;

(c) give or send free of charge a copy of the Code (as from time to time revised) to any person who requests it; and

(d) make available to members of the public, in such form and in such manner as the Authority considers appropriate, information published by the Authority pursuant to Article 7 of the Energy Order.

10 Subject to paragraph 12, the Licensee shall comply with each Code to which this Condition applies and which has been approved by the Authority.

11 The Licensee shall provide the Authority with all assistance reasonably necessary to enable the Authority to monitor the implementation and operation of any Code and this assistance

shall include providing statistical data at such times and in such a format as the Authority reasonably requires and permitting the Authority access to relevant documentation held by the Licensee.

12 The Authority may (following consultation with the Licensee) issue directions relieving the Licensee of any of its obligations under Conditions 30-34 and this Condition to such extent as may be specified in those directions and subject to such terms and conditions as the Authority thinks fit.

Condition 35A: Customer Protection: Modification of Conditions

1 The Authority, following consultation with the Licensee, the General Consumer Council and any other person who in the opinion of the Authority is likely to be interested or affected, may from time to time modify the Conditions of the Licence in accordance with paragraph 2.

2 The Authority may modify the Conditions of the Licence under this paragraph where both:

(a) the effect of the modification is to require the Licensee to prepare, submit and have approved by the Authority one or more codes of practice relating to the services or arrangements, as set out in the modification, to be provided or made available by the Licensee to such persons or class of persons as are specified in the modification; and

(b) the Authority is satisfied that the modification is necessary or expedient for the purposes of:

(i) ensuring that any activity authorised by the Licence is carried out in compliance with the requirements and prohibitions, relating to the protection of consumers, laid down by the Directive;

(ii) ensuring a high level of protection for consumers, in accordance with the purpose of the Directive; or

(iii) giving effect to Article 11A(9) of the Order.

Condition 36: Report on Performance

1 The Licensee shall keep a record of the operation of the arrangements set out in any Code of Practice prepared in accordance with Conditions 30-34 and, if the Authority so directs in writing, of the operation of any Code of Practice in particular cases specified, or of a description specified, by it.

2 The Licensee shall also keep for each quarter ending 30 June, 30 September, 31 December and 31 March, a statistical record of its performance in that quarter in relation to the provision of electricity supply services to Domestic Customers including:

(a) the number of the different type of services offered by the Licensee to Domestic Customers on the register maintained by it pursuant to Condition 31 and the number of Domestic Customers included on the register;

(b) the number of the Licensee's Domestic Customers using each payment method offered by the Licensee;

(c) the number of Domestic Premises to which the supply of electricity was cut off by the Licensee for reason of non-payment of charges;

(d) the quantities of electricity supplied and the recovery of electricity charges;

(e) the number of consumer complaints, whether made in writing, in person or by telephone;

(i) received by the Licensee;

(ii) resolved by the Licensee; and

(f) the number of visits made to Customers' premises and the number of responses made to enquiries.

3 As soon as reasonably practicable after 31 December in each year, the Licensee shall submit to the Authority and the General Consumer Council a report dealing with the matters mentioned in this Condition which shall include a comparison of the Licensee's performance against any established standards in relation to that year and shall:

(a) make public the report so submitted in such manner as will in the reasonable opinion

of the Licensee secure adequate publicity for it; and

(b) send a copy of it free of charge to any person requesting one,

except that, in performing the obligations under paragraphs (a) and (b), the Licensee shall exclude from the report such information as appears to it to be necessary or expedient to ensure that, save where they consent, individual Customers referred to therein cannot readily be identified.

4 The report shall be presented, so far as is reasonably practicable, in a standard format determined by the Authority.

Condition 37: Relations with the General Consumer Council

1 The Licensee shall meet with the General Consumer Council whenever requested to do so by it, up to a maximum of six times in every year during the period of the Licence.

2 Without prejudice to paragraph 1, the Licensee shall meet the General Consumer Council at least once in every year during the period of the Licence.

3 In at least one meeting with the General Consumer Council in every year during the period of the Licence, the Licensee shall be represented by one or more directors of the Licensee.

Condition 38: Provision of Information to Customers

Consumer Checklist

1 The Licensee shall:

(a) make readily accessible from its website an up to date copy of the Energy Consumer Checklist:

(i) as published by the Authority; and

(ii) in each alternative form or language as the Licensee has, in accordance with paragraph 1(b)(ii), sent to a Domestic Customer;

(b) on request, send to a Domestic Customer a copy of the Energy Consumer Checklist:

(i) in the form or language that is available on its website and is requested by the Domestic Customer; or

(ii) where practicable, in such alternative form or language as is reasonably requested by the Domestic Customer.

Billing Code

2 The Licensee shall comply with the Billing Code of Practice.

Billing Options

3 The Licensee shall:

(a) before entering into or concluding a contract with a Customer; and

(b) on at least an annual basis thereafter,

inform the Customer:

(c) that the Customer may request for bills and statements to be sent to him by electronic communication; and

(d) of the different types of electronic communications used by the Licensee which can be made available to the Customer.

4 The Licensee shall, where the Customer requests for bills and statements to be sent to him by electronic communication and the type of electronic communication requested by the Customer is used by the Licensee, send bills and statements to the Customer by electronic communication as requested by the Customer.

Frequency of Bills and Statements

5 The Licensee shall send a bill or statement:

(a) at least once a quarter:

(i) to any Customer that the Licensee is required, pursuant to the provisions of paragraph 4, to send bills or statements by electronic communication;

(ii) to any Customer that has requested the Licensee to send bills or statements on a quarterly basis;

(b) at least once every six months to any Customer taking a supply of electricity at premises at which the installed meter is not a Prepayment Meter; and

(c) at least once every twelve months to any Customer taking a supply of electricity at premises at which the installed meter is a Prepayment Meter.

6 The Licensee shall ensure that each bill or statement sent to a customer is:

(a) complete and accurate; and

(b) sent by way of a paper hard copy or such other form as agreed by the Customer.

Information on Bills and Statements

7 The Licensee shall ensure that each bill or statement sent to a Customer includes:

(a) the name and address of the Licensee;

(b) the relevant Meter Point Registration Number;

(c) details of the Customer's applicable tariff including:

(i) the full name of the tariff;

(ii) the unit rate, expressed where applicable in "pence per kWh", of the tariff; and

(iii) where the Customer is a Domestic Customer, any discount or premium that applies to the tariff (and the period for which it applies) when compared with the Licensee's standard evergreen tariff for Domestic Customers;

(d) the total charges, setting out separately any applicable standing charge and showing charges both inclusive and exclusive of any value added tax, for the period of the bill or statement;

(e) the amount of electricity which the Licensee's records show has been consumed by the Customer since the last bill or statement sent to that Customer;

(f) where the bill or statement relates to any period during which the Customer was supplied with electricity through a Prepayment Meter (the 'relevant period'), the number and total value of pre-payments made by the Customer in each calendar month falling (whether in whole or in part) in the relevant period;

(g) where the Licensee has provided a supply of electricity to the Customer at the same premises continuously for:

(i) 12 months or more, the amount of electricity which the Licensee's records show has been consumed by the Customer at those premises in the previous 12 months;

(ii) less than 12 months, the amount of electricity which the Licensee's records show has been consumed by the Customer at those premises since the date the Licensee started to provide the supply of electricity;

(h) a statement to the effect that the Customer may change his electricity supplier and details of where the Customer can obtain impartial advice and information about changing electricity supplier;

(i) where the customer is a Domestic Customer, a statement to the effect that the Licensee has a Code of Practice which sets out the services, advice and assistance it provides to Domestic Customers who may be having difficulty in paying for the

supply of electricity; and

(j) the Fuel Mix Information.

Bills and Statements Based on Meter Readings

8 For the purposes of paragraph 7(e), the amount of electricity calculated as having been consumed by the Customer shall be determined by reference to:

(a) an actual meter reading;

(b) a meter reading taken by the Customer that the Licensee considers to be reasonably accurate (a 'customer meter reading'); or

(c) where no actual or customer meter reading is available, the estimate of the Licensee (an 'estimated meter reading').

9 Where the Licensee considers that a meter reading taken by the Customer is not reasonably accurate it must take all reasonable steps to contact the Customer and request a new meter reading.

10 Where the Customer receives a bill from the Licensee showing an estimated meter reading and following receipt of that bill provides a customer meter reading to the Licensee, the Licensee shall, where requested by the Customer, send an updated bill to the Customer reflecting the customer meter reading.

11 The Licensee shall:

(a) use all reasonable endeavours to take an actual meter reading in respect of each of its Customers (save insofar as he receives an unmetered supply) on at least an annual basis;

(b) send a bill or statement to the Customer which reflects the actual meter reading taken in accordance with paragraph (a); and

(c) maintain, for a period of at least three years, and provide to the Authority on request, evidence of the reasonable endeavours it has used to obtain such an actual meter reading for each of its Customers.

Consumption Information

12 The Licensee shall, on request, provide to a Customer information on the quantity of electricity which the Licensee's records show as consumed by that Customer:

(a) where the Licensee has provided a supply of electricity to the Customer at the same premises continuously for 12 months or more, in the 12 months preceding the date of the request; or

(b) where the Licensee has provided a supply of electricity to the Customer for less than 12 months, in the period from the date the Licensee started to provide the supply of electricity to the date of the request.

Final Bill or Statement

13 Where a Domestic Customer terminates the Contract in accordance with its provisions, the Licensee shall:

(a) send a final bill to the Domestic Customer within six weeks of the Licensee ceasing to provide a supply of electricity to the Domestic Customer; and

(b) use best endeavours to refund any outstanding credit to the Domestic Customer within eight weeks of the Licensee ceasing to provide a supply of electricity to the Domestic Customer via an appropriate mechanism.

Complaints Handling Information

14 The Licensee shall keep each of its Customers informed:

(a) of the Customer's rights to initiate the Licensee's complaints handling procedure (as established in accordance with the requirements of Condition 33);

(b) that the General Consumer Council can assist in resolving complaints which the Licensee has not resolved to the Customer's satisfaction;

(c) that the Customer has the right to refer complaints which relate to billing matters to the Authority where the General Consumer Council has not been able to resolve the

complaint to the Customer's satisfaction;

(d) that the Energy Consumer Checklist can be accessed from the Licensee's website and that the Licensee will, on request, send a copy to the Customer free of charge; and

(e) of the contact address and telephone number of:

(i) the Licensee's complaints handling department; and

(ii) the General Consumer Council.

15 The Licensee shall discharge its obligations under paragraph 14 by providing the information:

(a) referred to in paragraphs 14(a)-(d) on or with each bill or statement sent to the Customer;

(b) referred to in paragraph 14(e):

(i) on or with each bill or statement sent to the Customer; and

(ii) on all of its Promotional Materials.

Format of Bills and Statements

16 The Licensee shall provide the information required under this condition on or with each bill and in such format as:

(a) where the Authority has published the Billing Code of Practice, meets the requirements of the Billing Code of Practice; and

(b) where the Authority has not published the Billing Code of Practice, has been determined by the Licensee in consultation with the Authority and the General Consumer Council.

17 The Licensee shall not charge the Customer for any information, including any bill or statement which it is required to provide in accordance with or pursuant to this Condition 38. This paragraph does not apply in respect of providing additional copies of a bill or

statement to the Customer.

Definitions

18 In this Condition:

"Billing Code of Practice"	means the document of that name, prepared and published from time to time by the Authority, following consultation with the Licensee, other electricity suppliers and such other persons as the Authority deems appropriate (which consultation may take place before paragraph 2 comes into effect), in relation to customer billing matters.

Condition 39: Security and safety of supplies

1 The Licensee shall make arrangements to keep each of its Customers informed of the postal address and telephone number of an enquiry service established and operated for the purposes of receiving reports from any person about any matter or incident that:

(a) causes danger or requires urgent attention, or is likely to cause danger or require urgent attention, in relation to the supply or distribution of electricity; or

(b) affects or is likely to affect the maintenance of the security, availability and quality of service of any distribution system through which the relevant Customer is supplied with electricity.

2 The enquiry service referred to at paragraph 1 must be such a service as shall:

(a) be provided without charge to the Customer;

(b) be available to receive and process telephone reports and enquiries at all times on every day of each year; and

(c) be operational no later than such date as the Authority may specify.

3 The Licensee may discharge the duty imposed by paragraph 1 by providing the requisite information to each of its Customers:

(a) on the occasion of the Customer first commencing to take a supply from the Licensee; and

(b) either:

(i) where bills or statements in respect of charges for the supply of electricity are rendered to the Customer, on a quarterly basis (it being sufficient that the information is included on or with any bill or statement); or

(ii) where no bills or statements in respect of charges for the supply of electricity are rendered to the Customer, on an annual basis

and by publishing such information in such manner as will in the opinion of the Licensee secure adequate publicity for it.

4 The Licensee shall, in so far as is practicable, take steps to inform each of its Customers of any change to the address or telephone number of the service referred to at paragraph 1 prior to such change becoming effective.

Condition 40: Marketing of Electricity

1 This Condition shall apply, from the date of the direction, where the Authority has directed that it shall apply to the Licensee. This Condition applies to the selling methods and marketing activities of the Licensee in respect of the supply or proposed supply of electricity.

2 The Licensee shall (and shall procure that its agents or sub-contractors shall) comply with the Marketing Code of Practice for Domestic Customers and/or the Marketing Code of Practice for Business Customers.

3 In this Condition:

Marketing Code of Practice for Domestic Customers	means the relevant document of that name, prepared and published from time to time by the Authority, relating to marketing activities.
Marketing Code of Practice for Business Customers	means the relevant document of that name, prepared and published from time to time by the Authority, relating to marketing activities.
Agent of Sub-contractor	means any person directly or indirectly authorised to represent the Licensee in its dealings with Customers.

Condition 41: Fuel Mix Disclosure

1 The Licensee shall, in respect of a Disclosure Period during which it has at any time supplied electricity to Customers, publish:

(a) the contribution, expressed as a percentage, of each Energy Source to the overall fuel mix of the total amount of electricity supplied by the Licensee to Customers in the Disclosure Period;

(b) the environmental impact of the carbon dioxide emissions and radioactive waste, measured and expressed as [tonnes/grammes per KWh], resulting from the overall fuel mix of the total amount of electricity supplied by the Licensee to Customers in the Disclosure Period;

(c) the contribution, expressed as a percentage, of each Energy Source to the overall fuel mix of the total amount of electricity supplied in the Island of Ireland;

(d) the environmental impact of carbon dioxide emissions and radioactive waste, measured and expressed as [tonnes/grammes per KWh], resulting from the overall fuel mix of the total amount of electricity supplied in the Island of Ireland;

(e) details of reference sources, including addresses of websites, from which Customers can obtain further information on the environmental impact of their electricity supply; and

(f) the address of a website from which Customers can obtain the contribution, expressed as a percentage of each Energy Source to the overall fuel mix of the total amount of electricity supplied in Great Britain.

2 Where the Licensee has not supplied electricity to Customers at any time during a Disclosure Period it shall nevertheless publish the information set out in paragraphs 1(c), (d) and (e).

3 The Licensee shall for each Disclosure Period publish the information referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 by:

(a) including it on or with each bill or statement it sends to its Customers at any time following two months after the Disclosure Date; and

(b) no later than two months following the Disclosure Date, including it in all Promotional Materials issued by or on behalf of the Licensee until the date two months following the next Disclosure Date.

4 The information referred to:

(a) in paragraph 1(c) shall be that which has been calculated, verified and provided to the Licensee by the Authority (or a body appointed by the Authority) in accordance with the Fuel Mix Methodology notified to the Licensee;

(b) in paragraph 1(d) shall be that which is provided to the Licensee by the Authority (or a body appointed by the Authority).

5 The Licensee shall comply with its obligations under the Fuel Mix Methodology.

6 In this Condition –

Disclosure Date	means, in relation to a Disclosure Period, the date that the information referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 is provided to the Licensee by the Authority (or a body appointed by the Authority);
Disclosure Period	means each period of 1 January to 31 December and shall include the period ending 31 December immediately prior to the date this Condition takes effect;
Energy Source	means one of the following categories of fuel used for the generation of electricity:– (a) Coal;

(b) Natural Gas;

(c) Nuclear;

(d) Renewables;

(e) Peat;

(f) Oil; and

(g) Other; and

Fuel Mix Methodology means the methodology determined by the Authority, and amended from time to time, which, among other things, sets out (i) the principles for calculating and verifying the information to be published by the Licensee, (ii) the obligations of the Licensee to provide information (of the type and to the extent and in the form specified) to enable such calculation and verification to be undertaken, and (iii) the manner and format in which the information shall be provided by, or to, the Licensee.

Condition 42: Wholesale Contracts and Electricity Derivatives

1 Subject to paragraph 2, the Licensee shall, for every Contract or Electricity Derivative entered into by the Licensee with a Wholesale Customer or a Transmission Licence Holder (the **relevant agreement**) and every transaction undertaken under or in accordance with the provisions of a relevant agreement (the **relevant transaction**), retain for a period of at least five years after the end date of the relevant agreement or the date of the relevant transaction (as the case may be) the information set out in paragraph 4.

2 Paragraph 1 shall not apply to an Electricity Derivative entered into by the Licensee with a Wholesale Customer or a Transmission Licence Holder or to any transaction undertaken, under or in accordance with the provisions of an Electricity Derivative entered into with a Wholesale Customer or a Transmission Licence Holder, prior to the date of the Guidelines referred to in Article 40(4) of the Directive (the **Guidelines**).

3 The Licensee shall retain the relevant information in accordance with such methods and arrangements for record keeping and in such form as may be set out in the Guidelines.

4 The information to be retained shall:

(a) provide particulars of:

(i) the characteristics of the relevant agreement or the relevant transaction, including characteristics relating to duration and delivery and settlement rules;

(ii) the amount of electricity specified in the relevant agreement or relevant transaction;

(iii) the time and date the relevant agreement or relevant transaction was executed and the prices pertaining to that agreement or transaction;

(iv) the means of identifying the Wholesale Customer to whom the relevant agreement or relevant transaction relates; and

(b) include such information as is specified in a direction given to the Licensee by the Authority about relevant agreements under which any transactions continue to be unsettled.

5 The Licensee shall provide to the Authority, in such manner and at such times as the Authority may specify, such information as the Authority may require which is retained by the Licensee in accordance with this Condition.

6 In this Condition:

Electricity Derivative	means a financial instrument specified in points 5, 6, or 7 of Section C of Annex I to Directive 2004/39/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 April 2004 on markets in financial instruments, which relates to electricity;
Transmission Licence Holder	means any person holding a licence granted under Article 10(1)(b) of the Order; and
Wholesale Customer	means a Customer who is purchasing electricity for the purposes of reselling it to another person and not for his own use.

Condition 43: Facilitating Supplier Transfers

1 The Licensee shall ensure that its practices, procedures and systems facilitate Supplier Transfers to take place within the Relevant Period.

2 The Licensee shall inform the Authority as soon as it becomes aware that its practices, procedures and systems may not, as a result of the number of notifications it is receiving from the Market Registration Service, be able to facilitate compliance with paragraph 1.

3 The Authority may issue directions requiring the Licensee to take steps to review and improve its practices, procedures and systems to facilitate a Supplier Transfer in such manner as may be specified in the directions and the Licensee shall comply with any such directions from the date specified.

4 In this Condition –

Market Registration Service has the meaning given in Condition 27.

Objection Period means any period within which the Licensee or the Registered Supplier (as the case may be) may in accordance with the industry rules and procedures raise and/or withdraw (as the case may be) an objection to the Supplier Transfer.

Relevant Date has the meaning given in Condition 27.

Relevant Period means:

(i) where the Licensee is the Registered Supplier for the premises, the 15 working day period (excluding the Objection Period) following notification to it by the Market Registration Service that another Electricity Supplier has applied to be the Registered Supplier for the

relevant premises;

(ii) where the Licensee has entered into a Contract with a Customer, the 15 working day period (excluding the Objection Period) following the Relevant Date.

Registered Supplier has the meaning given in Condition 27.

Supplier Transfer has the meaning given in Condition 27.

Condition 44: Provision of Information to Electricity Suppliers and Energy Service Providers

1 Where paragraph 2 applies, the Licensee shall, within ten working days of receiving a Customer Information Request from any Electricity Supplier or Energy Services Provider, provide, free of charge, to the Electricity Supplier or Energy Services Provider (as the case may be) the Billing Information specified in the Customer Information Request and held or recorded by the Licensee.

2 This paragraph applies where the Licensee is supplying electricity, or has at any time in the 12 months prior to the date of the customer information request supplied electricity, to the premises identified in the request and where the Customer identified in the request is or was (as the case may be), a Customer of the Licensee.

3 Where, in respect of any Customer Information Request, the specified Billing Information is not held or recorded by the Licensee in a form that can be determined or ascertained for the Specified Period, the Licensee shall:

(a) give notice to the Electricity Supplier or the Energy Services Provider (as the case may be) that the Billing Information cannot be provided for only the Specified Period; and

(b) provide the requested Billing Information held or recorded by the Licensee in respect of any period that includes the Specified Period.

4 The Licensee shall not submit a customer information request to another Electricity Supplier unless it has, and retains evidence of, the consent of the Customer for it to obtain the information which is specified in the request to the other Electricity Supplier.

5 The Licensee shall not charge the Customer for any services provided to the Customer or to any Electricity Supplier or Energy Services Provider pursuant to this Condition.

6 The Licensee is not required to comply with paragraph 1 in respect of any customer information request received from an Energy Services Provider where:

(a) the Licensee does not have the consent of the Customer to provide Billing Information to the Energy Services Provider; and

(b) the Energy Services Provider does not submit, with the customer information request, written evidence of the consent of the Customer for the Energy Services Provider to obtain from the Licensee such Billing Information as is specified in the customer information request.

7 In this Condition:

Billing Information means:

(a) any information relating to the consumption of electricity by the Customer at the premises identified, in the request; and

(b) any information enclosed with, or set out in, any bill or statement previously sent by the Licensee to the Customer at such premises.

Customer Information Request means a request, for Billing Information in respect of the Customer at the premises identified, and for the period specified, in the request.

Energy Services Provider means any person, other than an Electricity Supplier, that provides goods or services to Customers at their premises for the purposes of enabling the Customer to reduce their electricity consumption or to make efficient use of electricity.

Specified Period means the period specified in the Customer Information Request.

Condition 45: Business Separation

1 This Condition applies where any affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee is:

(a) carrying on the activities of an Associated Business; and

(b) that Associated Business is subject to Separation Conditions.

2 Where this Condition applies the Licensee shall not:

(a) act in a manner which is inconsistent with the relevant affiliate or related undertaking's obligations under the Separation Condition; or

(b) take any action that may impede or frustrate the relevant affiliate or related undertaking from fulfilling its obligations under the Separation Condition.

3 In this Condition:

Associated Business	means any business which is carrying on any activity that requires authorisation in accordance with either Article 8(1)(b) or (bb) of the Order or section 4(1)(b) or (bb) of the Electricity Act 1989; and
Separation Conditions	means any conditions: (a) which are included in a licence held by the affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee, as granted under either Article 10(1)(b) or (bb) of the Order or section 6(1)(b) or (c) of the Electricity Act 1989; (b) which are at any given time applicable and in force in relation to the licence holder; and (c) which in combination impose an obligation on the Associated Business to ensure the legal, managerial and operational separation of the Associated Business and to produce a

	compliance plan setting out how it will meet the obligation.

Condition 46: Code of Practice for the Theft of Electricity

1 The Licensee shall (and shall procure that its Agents or Sub-contractors shall) comply with the obligations applicable to it under, the Code of Practice for the Theft of Electricity.

2 The Authority, following consultation with the Licensee, the General Consumer Council and any other person who in the opinion of the Authority is likely to be interested or affected, may from time to time make such modifications to the Code of Practice for the Theft of Electricity, as the Authority considers necessary or expedient.

3 In order to comply with the obligations of the Code of Practice for the Theft of Electricity, the Licensee shall establish and comply with Procedures to facilitate the prevention, detection, investigation (and management of the outcome of investigation) of the theft of electricity.

4 In this Condition:

Code of Practice for the Theft of Electricity	means the relevant document of that name, prepared and published from time to time by the Authority, relating to the activities for the prevention, detection, investigation (and management of the outcome of investigation) of the theft of electricity.
Procedures	means the detailed industry procedures established, maintained, and from time to time amended, which set out the procedures and practices to be followed by the Licensee to ensure its compliance with the Code of Practice for the Theft of Electricity
Agents or Subcontractors	means any person directly or indirectly authorised to represent the Licensee in its dealings with electricity customers or other Licensees.

Schedule 1 Specified Premises

For the purposes of this licence, the licensee is authorised to supply electricity to all premises in Northern Ireland.

Schedule 2 Terms as to Revocation

1. The Authority may at any time revoke the Licence by not less than 30 days' notice (24 hours' notice in the case of revocation under sub-paragraph 1(e)) in writing to the Licensee:

   (a) if the Licensee agrees in writing with the Authority that the Licence should be revoked;

   (b) if any licence fee required to be paid under the Licence is unpaid 30 days after it has become due and remains unpaid for a period of 14 days after the Authority has given the Licensee notice that the payment is overdue provided that no such notice shall be given earlier than the sixteenth day after the day on which the amount payable became due;

   (c) if the Licensee fails to comply with a final order (within the meaning of Article 42 of the Energy Order) or with a provisional order (within the meaning of Article 42 of the Energy Order) which has been confirmed under Article 42 of the Energy Order and which (in either case) has been made in respect of a contravention or apprehended contravention of any of the Conditions or of any relevant requirement (as defined in Article 41(2)(a) of the Energy Order) imposed on the Licensee in its capacity as holder of the Licence and (in either case) such failure is not rectified to the satisfaction of the Authority within three months after the Authority has given notice of such failure to the Licensee, provided that no such notice shall be given by the Authority before the expiration of the period within which an application under Article 44 of the Energy Order could be made questioning the validity of the final or provisional order or before the proceedings relating to any such application are finally determined;

   (d) if the Licensee fails to comply with an order made by a court under section 34 of the Competition Act 1998; or fails to comply with an order made under section 72, 75, 76, 81, 83, 84, 158, 160 or 161 of, or under paragraph 2, 5, 6, 10 or 11 of schedule 7 to, the Enterprise Act 2002; or any partner, director, member, secretary or manager of the Licensee is found guilty of an offence under section 188 or 201 of the Enterprise Act 2002;

(e) if the Licensee:

(i) is unable to pay its debts (within the meaning of Article 103(1) or (2) of the Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 1989, but subject to paragraph 3 of this Schedule) or if any voluntary arrangement is proposed in relation to it under Article 14 of that Order, or if it enters into any scheme of arrangement (other than for the purpose of reconstruction or amalgamation upon terms and within such period as may previously have been approved in writing by the Authority);

(ii) has a receiver (which expression shall include an administrative receiver within the meaning of Article 5(1) of the Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 1989) of the whole or any material part of its assets or undertaking appointed;

(iii) has an administration order under Article 21 of the Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 made in relation to it;

(iv) passes any resolution for winding-up other than a resolution previously approved in writing by the Authority;

(v) becomes subject to an order for winding-up by a court of competent jurisdiction; or

(vi) shall suffer any event analogous to any of the foregoing in any jurisdiction in which it is incorporated or resident;

(f) if the Licensee is convicted of having committed an offence under Article 63 of the Order or under Article 46 of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996;

(g) if the Licensee fails to pay any financial penalty (within the meaning of Article 45 of the Energy Order) imposed in respect of a contravention or apprehended contravention of a Condition or of a "relevant requirement" as defined in Article 41(2)(a) of the Energy Order by the due date for such payment and such payment is not made to the Authority within three months after the Authority has given notice in writing of such failure to the Licensee, provided that no such notice shall be given by the Authority before the expiration of the period within which

an application under Article 49 of the Energy Order could be made questioning the validity or effect of the financial penalty or before the proceedings relating to any such application are finally determined; or

(h) if none of the premises specified, or of the description specified, in Schedule 1 shall have been supplied with electricity by the Licensee at any time during any period of 5 years.

2. For the purposes of paragraph 1(e)(i) of this Schedule Article 103(1)(a) of the Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 shall have effect as if for "£750" there was substituted "£250,000" or such higher figure as the Authority may from time to time determine by notice in writing to the Licensee.

3. The Licensee shall not be deemed to be unable to pay its debts for the purposes of paragraph 1(e)(i) of this Schedule if any such demand as is mentioned in Article 103(1)(a) of the Insolvency (Northern Ireland) Order 1989 is being contested in good faith by the licensee with recourse to all appropriate measures and procedures or if any such demand is satisfied before the expiration of such period as may be stated in any notice given by the Authority under paragraph 1 of this Schedule.

Note: (does not form part of the Licence)

Consolidated to include

1. Licence granted: 02 July 1999

2. Licence Modifications between July 1999 and August 2015.

3. Licence modifications to conditions 11 and 15 pursuant to Regulation 7 and Regulation 8 of The Gas and Electricity Licence Modification and Appeals Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015 (the "Regulations"). Effective from 04 August 2015.

4. Modifications to conditions 32, 38 and 44 in accordance with Regulation 14 of the Energy Efficiency Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2014, for the purposes of implementation of the Energy Efficiency Directive. Notification of modifications provided on 23 November 2015 and modifications became effective on 23 November 2015.
5. Modifications to conditions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 17, 23, 25, 27, 34, 35, 38 and 40; and removal of Conditions A, B, C & D became effective from 1 September 2016. Decision paper and notice of modifications published on 3 June 2016.
6. New licence conditions 25a and 25b on the Balancing Market Principles Code of Practice and Capacity Market Code respectively. Decision paper and notice of modifications published on 15 September 2017.

7. New Licence condition 46 on the Code of Practice for the Theft of Electricity. Modifications published 27 November 2018 and modifications became effective on 29 January 2019.

8. Modifications to licence conditions 27 and 27A to include new obligations regarding small business customers.