ELECTRICITY SUPPLY LICENCE

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Section 14(1) (b) of the Electricity Regulation Act 1999
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PART I TERMS OF THE LICENCE

1. The Commission for Electricity Regulation (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission") in exercise of the powers conferred by Sections 14(1)(b), (c) and (d) and Section 14(2) of the Electricity Regulation Act, 1999 (hereinafter referred to as the "Act") hereby grants to ______________________ (hereinafter referred to as the "Licence") a licence under Section 14(1)(b) to supply electricity to final customers of the description specified in Schedule 1 during the period specified in paragraph 3, subject to the Conditions (hereinafter referred to as “the Conditions”) set out in Part II.

2. The Conditions are subject to modification or amendment in accordance with their terms or with Sections 14(3), 14(6) (a) or 19 of the Act. 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 1 May 2013 and, unless revoked in accordance with the provisions of Schedule 2, shall continue in full force and effect until determined by not less than 15 years' notice in writing given by the Commission to the Licence, such notice not to be served earlier than the 15th anniversary of the date on which this licence comes into force.

Sealed with the common seal of the Commission for Energy Regulation on ______________.

Commissioner

Member of staff of Commission
PART II CONDITIONS OF THE LICENCE

Section A Transition Conditions

Condition 1: Application of Licence Conditions

1. Notwithstanding any other provision of this licence, the following Conditions shall apply as follows:

   (a) Condition 2 of this Section A shall cease to apply one day after the date which is six years and one month after SEM Go-Live or on such other date as may be specified by the Commission;

   (b) the Conditions set out in Section B shall apply from SEM Go-Live.

2. Where a Condition ceases to apply in accordance with paragraph 1(a) the Conditions shall automatically be modified by the deletion of that Condition.

3. Once all of the Conditions referred to in paragraphs 1(a) have been deleted in accordance with paragraph 2, the Conditions shall automatically be modified by the deletion of this Condition 1 (such deletion being without prejudice to the continued application of the Conditions referred to in paragraph 1(b)).

4. For the avoidance of doubt:

   (a) the provisions of Condition 1 of Section B shall apply to the Conditions in this Section A from SEM Go-Live.

5. In this Section A:

   "core industry documents" means those documents which:

   (a) are referred to in, or are (or are to be) established or required to be entered into pursuant to, a licence granted under the Act; or

   (b) in the opinion of the Commission, are central industry documents associated with the licensed activities of the Licensee or electricity undertakings and which have been designated as such by the Commission;

   "electricity undertaking" has the meaning set out in Condition 1 of Section B;

   "Island of Ireland" means the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland;
"Market Operator Licensee" means Eirgrid Plc. in its capacity as market operator licensed pursuant to Section 14(1)(j) of the Act or any other person which may, from time to time, hold a licence pursuant to Section 14(1)(j) of the Act;

"Northern Ireland authorised electricity operator" has the meaning given to the expression "authorised electricity operator" in the licence granted under Article 10(1)(b) of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 to SONI Limited or a licence subsequently granted under Article 10(1)(b) of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992;

"pre-SEM arrangements" means the arrangements relating to the system of trading in electricity and settling electricity imbalances established by the Electricity Regulation Act 1999 (Trading Arrangements in Electricity) Regulations 2000 (S.I. 49 of 2000);

"run-off" means, in relation to any arrangements, the bringing to an end of those arrangements, which shall include the determination and settlement (including by way of reconciliation) of electricity and payments in connection with periods up to and including the point at which such arrangements are brought to an end;

"SEM Go-Live" means the time and date designated as such by the Commission for the purposes of the Single Electricity Market;

"Single Electricity Market" means the single wholesale electricity market for the Island of Ireland implemented in the Republic of Ireland pursuant to the Act and the Single Market Regulations;

"Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code" has the meaning set out in Condition 1 of Section B;

"Single Market Regulations" has the meaning set out in Condition 1 of Section B; and

"Transmission System Operator" has the meaning set out in Condition 1 of Section B.
**Condition 2: Run-Off Steps**

1. The Licensee shall take all reasonable steps, and do all such reasonable things, as are (in each case) within its power and necessary or expedient in order to fully and effectively run-off, from SEM Go-Live, the pre-SEM arrangements for which it is responsible.

2. Without prejudice to paragraphs 1 and 4, the Licensee shall, to the extent reasonably requested by electricity undertakings or Northern Ireland authorised electricity operators, co-operate with electricity undertakings and Northern Ireland authorised electricity operators, as well as the Transmission System Operator, the Market Operator Licensee, the Commission and such other persons as the Commission may direct, and shall take all reasonable steps, and do all such reasonable things, as are (in each case) within its power and necessary or expedient in order to:

   (a) fully and effectively run-off, from SEM Go-Live, the pre-SEM arrangements;

   (b) enable such electricity undertakings to comply with any directions made by the Commission under the provisions of their licences which are equivalent to paragraph 3; and

   (c) enable such Northern Ireland authorised electricity operators to comply with their statutory or licence obligations to run-off the pre-SEM arrangements,

   and where the Licensee considers that a request for co-operation is unreasonable, the Licensee shall refer the request to the Commission who shall issue a decision as to whether the request is reasonable, and the Licensee shall comply, and act in a manner consistent, with such a decision.

3. The Commission may issue directions to the Licensee setting out the steps to be taken or procured by the Licensee which are, in the reasonable opinion of the Commission, appropriate in order to fully and effectively run-off, from SEM Go-Live, the pre-SEM arrangements for which the Licensee is responsible.

4. Without prejudice to paragraphs 1 and 2, the Licensee shall take all reasonable steps, and do all such reasonable things, as are (in each case) within its power and necessary or expedient in order to comply with directions made from time to time by the Commission in accordance with paragraph 3.

5. The Commission may, at any time, by a further direction in accordance with paragraph 3 (in order to fully and effectively run-off, from SEM Go-Live, the pre-SEM arrangements for which the Licensee is responsible), amend or cancel any direction (or part thereof) previously made under paragraph 3.

6. Without prejudice to any public, administrative or common law right or contractual right that the Licensee may have to bring any claim against any person, the Licensee shall not take any step, or exercise any right, which is intended to hinder or frustrate the full and effective run-off, from SEM Go-Live, of the pre-SEM arrangements.
7. If the Licensee is aware of any conflict between its compliance with the provisions of this Condition or any direction under paragraph 3 and its compliance with any other Condition of this licence, the Licensee shall promptly inform the Commission of such conflict.

8. Provided the Licensee complies with paragraph 7 the other Conditions of this licence shall prevail over this Condition in the event of conflict. If there is any conflict between a direction made under paragraph 3 and another requirement of this licence, the provisions of the direction shall prevail.

9. The Licensee shall provide to the Commission, in such manner and at such times as the Commission may reasonably require, such information and shall procure and furnish to it such reports as the Commission may reasonably require or deem necessary or appropriate to enable the Commission to monitor the Licensee's compliance with the requirements of this Condition.

10. If the Licensee is aware (or should reasonably be aware) of any matter or circumstance which it considers will (or which the Licensee should reasonably consider likely to) hinder or frustrate the full and effective run-off, from SEM Go-Live, of the pre-SEM arrangements, the Licensee shall promptly inform the Commission of such matter or circumstance.
Section B Conditions to Apply from SEM Go-Live

Condition 1: Interpretation and construction

1. Unless the contrary intention appears:
   (a) words and expressions used in the Conditions or the Schedules shall be construed as if they were in an enactment and the Interpretation Acts, 1937 to 1997 applied to them; and
   (b) references to an enactment shall include primary and subordinate legislation and in both cases any modification or re-enactment thereof after the date when this licence comes into force.

2. Any word or expression defined in the Act for the purposes of any provision of the Act shall, unless the contrary intention appears, have the same meaning when used in the Conditions or in the Schedules.

3. In the Conditions and in the Schedules, unless otherwise specified or the context otherwise requires:

   "Act" refers to the Electricity Regulation Act, 1999;

   "affiliate" in relation to the Licensee or any subsidiary of a holding company of the Licensee, means any holding company of the Licensee or any subsidiary of the Licensee or any subsidiary of a holding company of the Licensee, in each case within the meaning of the Companies Acts, 1963 to 1999;

   "Ancillary Services" has the meaning given in the Grid Code;

   "Auditors" means the Licensee’s auditors for the time being holding office in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Acts, 1963 to 1999;

   "Board" means the Electricity Supply Board;

   "Distribution Code" means the Distribution Code required to be prepared by the Distribution System Operator pursuant to Section 33 of the Act, and approved by the Commission, as from time to time revised, amended, supplemented or replaced with the approval or at the instance of the Commission;

   "distribution system" means all electric lines of the Board which the Board may, with the approval of the Commission, specify as being part of the Distribution System, and includes any electric plant, transformers and switchgear of the Board and which is used for conveying electricity to final customers, including
any Direct Line acquired by the Distribution System Owner pursuant to their Licence;

"Distribution System Operator" means the entity licensed pursuant to Section 14(1)(g) of the Act;

"electricity undertaking" means any person engaged in the generation, transmission, distribution or supply of electricity including any holder of a licence or authorisation or a person who has been granted a permit under Section 37 of the Electricity (Supply) Act 1927 and any person transferring electricity to or from the Republic of Ireland across an Interconnector or across the North/South Circuits or who has made an application for use of an Interconnector which has not been refused;

"eligible customer" means a consumer of electricity whose consumption of electricity at any single premises in any 12 month period is estimated and calculated to be or likely to be greater than four Gigawatt hours or such other figure as the Minister may, by Order, substitute;

"Electricity Legislation" means the Act and the Regulations, as relevant in the context;

"Financial year" has the meaning given to it in paragraph 1 of Condition 2;

"Generation Business" means the licensed business (if any) of the Licensee and any affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee in the generation of electricity or the provision of Ancillary Services;

"Generation unit" means any plant or apparatus for the production of electricity;

"Generator" means a person licensed to generate electricity under Section 14(1)(a) of the Act;

"Grid Code" means the Grid Code required to be prepared by the Transmission System Operator pursuant to Section 33 of the Act, and approved by the Commission, as from time to time revised, amended, supplemented or replaced by the Transmission System Operator with the approval or at the instance of the Commission;

"Holding company" means a holding company within the meaning of the Companies Acts, 1963 to 1999;
"interconnector" means for the purpose of this Licence, equipment used to link the Transmission System to electricity systems outside of the Island of Ireland, and (for the avoidance of doubt) does not include the North/South Circuits;

"Island of Ireland" means the Republic of Ireland and Northern Ireland;

"Licensee" means ________________________________

"Metering Code" means the Metering Code prepared by the Distribution System Operator and approved by the Commission, as from time to time revised, amended, supplemented or replaced with the approval of, or at the instance of, the Commission;

"metering equipment" means meters, time-switches, measurement transformers, metering protection and isolation equipment, circuitry and their associated data storage and data communications equipment and wiring which are part of the active energy and reactive energy measuring equipment at or relating to a site;

"modification" includes addition, omission, amendment and substitution, and cognate expressions shall be construed accordingly;

"North/South Circuits" means the electric lines and electrical plant and meters used for conveying electricity directly to or from a substation or converter station within the Republic of Ireland directly to or from a substation or converter station within Northern Ireland (and not for conveying electricity elsewhere);


"related undertaking" means any undertaking having a participating interest in the Licensee or any undertaking in which the Licensee has a Participating Interest;

"representation" includes any objection or any other proposal made in writing;

"Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code" means the code of that name developed pursuant to Section 9 of the Act, as from time to time revised, amended supplemented or replaced with the approval or at the instance of the Commission;

"Single Market Regulations" means the Electricity Regulation Act 1999 (Single Electricity Market) Regulations 2007;

"Supplier" means a person licensed to supply electricity under Sections 14(1)(b) or 14(2) of the Act or the public electricity supplier as licensed by Section 14(1)(h) of the Act;

"Supply Business" means the licensed business of the Licensee and any affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee as a Supplier but shall not include the business carried out by the Board in its capacity as public electricity supplier;

"subsidiary" has the meaning given in the Companies Acts, 1963 to 1999;

"total system" means the transmission system and the distribution system taken together;

"Trading and Settlement Code" means the Trading and Settlement Code developed pursuant to Section 9(1)(d) of the Act as from time to time, revised, amended, supplemented or replaced
with the approval or at the instance of the Commission;

"Transmission System Owner" means the entity licensed to own the transmission system, pursuant to Section 14(1)(f) of the Act;

"transmission system" means the system of electric lines comprising wholly or mainly the Transmission System Owner’s high voltage lines and electric plant and which is used for conveying electricity from a generating station to a substation, from one generating station to another, from one substation to another or to or from any interconnector or to final customers (including such part of the North/South Circuits as is owned by the Board) (but shall not include any such lines which the Board may, with the approval of the Commission, specify as being part of the distribution system) and shall include any interconnector owned by the Board;

"Transmission System Operator" means the entity licensed to operate the transmission system under Section 14(1)(e) of the Act; and

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

4. Unless otherwise specified:

(a) any reference to a numbered Condition is a reference to the Condition bearing that number in the Section of this licence in which the reference occurs;

(b) any reference to a numbered Schedule is a reference to the Schedule bearing that number in this licence;

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

(d) (without prejudice to any provision which restricts such variation, supplement or replacement) any reference to any agreement, licence (other than this 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, Section, Condition, 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 4 of the Act shall apply for the purposes of the delivery or service of any document, direction or notice to be delivered or served pursuant to this licence, and directions issued by the Commission pursuant to any Condition shall be delivered or served as aforesaid.
**Condition 2: Separate accounts for the Supply Business**

1. For the purposes of this Condition, the Licensee’s financial year shall be determined as follows:

   (a) The Licensee’s first financial year shall run from (and including) the date of the grant of this licence up to (and including) the last day of the Licensee’s accounting period, provided that if the period between the date of the grant of this licence and the last day of the Licensee’s accounting period is three calendar months or less, then the Licensee’s first financial year shall run from (and including) the date of the grant of this licence up to (and including) the last day of the Licensee’s next accounting period.

   (b) Each subsequent financial year shall run from the day immediately following the last day of the preceding accounting period up to (and including) the last day of the accounting period.

2. 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 the Supply Business and showing the financial affairs of the Supply Business.

3. The Licensee shall in respect of the Supply Business:

   (a) keep or cause to be kept such accounting records in accordance with the Companies Acts, 1963 to 1999, in respect of the Supply Business as would be required to be kept in respect of the Supply Business if it were carried on by a separate company, and, where appropriate, consolidated accounts for other, non-licensed activities, so that the revenues, costs, assets, liabilities, reserves and provisions of, or reasonably attributable to, the Supply 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 of the Licensee; and

   (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 the Supply Business and in appropriate detail any transactions with a value of €100,000 or more which the Licensee has conducted with any of its affiliates or related undertakings, and the amounts of any revenue, cost, asset, liability, reserve or provision, which has been either:

         (A) charged from or to any other business together with a description of the basis of that charge; or

         (B) determined by apportionment or allocation between the Supply Business and any other business together with a
description of the basis of the apportionment or allocation; and

(ii) the first 6 months of the second financial year of the Licensee and the first 6 months 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 (with the exception of interim accounts prepared in accordance with paragraph 3(b)(ii) of this Condition) in respect of a financial year, a report by the Auditors and addressed to the Commission 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 Supply Business; and

(d) deliver to the Commission 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).

4.

(a) 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 (b)(i) of paragraph 3 from those applied in respect of the previous financial year, unless the Commission 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 Commission shall have given its prior written approval to the change in such bases. The Licensee shall comply with any directions issued for the purposes of this Condition.

(b) 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 Commission 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.

5. Accounting statements in respect of a financial year prepared under sub-paragraph (b)(i) of paragraph 3 shall, so far as reasonably practicable and unless otherwise approved by the Commission having regard to the purposes of this Condition:

(a) have the same content and format (in relation to the Supply Business) as the annual accounts of the Licensee (and any affiliate or related
undertaking of the Licensee) prepared under the Companies Acts, 1963 to 1999 and conform to the best commercial accounting practices including Statements of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting Standards currently in force; and

(b) state the accounting policies adopted; and

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

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

7. In this Condition:

“accounting period” means the period for which the Licensee prepares annual accounts under the Companies Acts, 1963 to 1999, provided that if the Licensee is not required to prepare annual accounts under the Companies Acts, 1963 to 1999 or is not a company within the meaning of the Companies Acts, 1963 to 1999, then the accounting period shall run from (and including) the 1 January up to (and including) the following 31 December.
**Condition 3: Prohibition of cross-subsidies**

1. This Condition applies:
   (a) 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 final customers, which shall be determined by the Commission in accordance with Condition 5; and
   (b) where the Licensee also carries on a Generation Business.

2. Where this Condition applies, the Licensee shall procure that the Supply Business does not give any direct or indirect cross-subsidy to, nor receive any direct or indirect cross-subsidy from, any other business of the Licensee or of an affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee.

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 Act shall be regarded as a cross-subsidy for the purposes of this Condition.

4. The Licensee shall procure that the Supply Business does not disclose directly or indirectly any commercially sensitive information to any other business of the Licensee or of an affiliate or related undertaking of the Licensee.

5. For the purposes of this Condition, the Commission shall determine any question as to:
   (a) what is or is not commercially sensitive information; and
   (b) what constitutes a cross subsidy.
**Condition 4: 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 final customers, which shall be determined by the Commission in accordance with Condition 5.

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

3. Where this Condition applies, the Licensee (taken together with its affiliates and related undertakings) shall not, in supplying or offering terms for the supply of electricity to final customers in any market for the supply of electricity 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. For the purposes of this Condition, terms are unduly onerous if the revenue from the supply of electricity to final 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 final customers of the Licensee (and of its affiliates and related undertakings) within the same market.

5. 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.
**Condition 4A: Prohibition of certain contracts or arrangements**

1. The Licensee shall not enter, or offer to enter, into a Contract for the supply of electricity to a premises, containing a term which requires the relevant customer to:

   (a) cease taking a supply of electricity at the premises from the Licensee at such date, and refrain from taking a supply of electricity at the premises from the Licensee 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.

2. In this Condition:

   “Contract” includes an agreement, contract, arrangement, commitment, obligation, covenant, course of dealing or understanding, whether or not in writing.
**Condition 5: Market dominance**

1. For the purposes of Conditions 3 and 4, a market for the supply of electricity may be defined by reference to a geographical area, or to a class of final customer or both.

2. In determining, for the purposes of Conditions 3 and 4, whether any persons constitute a class of final customer, due regard shall be had to the circumstances of supply to such final customers including (without limitation) volumes, load factors, conditions of interruptibility, location of premises being supplied and date and duration of the supply contract.

3. For the purposes of Conditions 3 and 4, the Commission shall determine any question as to:
   
   (a) whether any area or class of final 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 final 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 consequence of supplying the class of final customers in question; and

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

4. Having first consulted with the Licensee and such other persons as it considers appropriate (and having taken into account any representations made to it), the Commission may determine that the Licensee is dominant in a specified market for the supply of electricity, and where the Commission does make a determination it shall thereafter notify the Licensee as soon as is reasonably practicable.

5. If the Licensee believes it is no longer dominant in a specified market for the supply of electricity, it may submit this issue to the Commission for redetermination.
Condition 6: Compliance with the Distribution Code, the Grid Code and the Metering Code

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

2. The Commission may, following consultation with the Distribution System Operator, and the Transmission System Operator, issue directions relieving the Licensee of its obligation under paragraph 1 above in respect of such parts of the Distribution Code, the Grid Code and the Metering Code and to such extent as may be specified in those directions.
Condition 7: Security and safety of supply

1. The Licensee shall make arrangements to keep each of its final customers informed of the postal address, telephone number, facsimile number and electronic mail address 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 security, availability or quality of service of the distribution system through which the relevant final customer is supplied with electricity.

2. The enquiry service referred to at paragraph 1 must be:

(a) provided without charge to the final customer;

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

(c) operational no later than such date as the Commission shall specify.

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

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

(b) either:

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

(ii) in any other case, on an annual basis;

and by publishing such information in such manner as will secure adequate publicity for it.

4. The Licensee shall, in so far as is practicable, take steps to inform each of its final customers of any change to the address, telephone number, facsimile number or electronic mail address of the service referred to at paragraph 1 prior to such change becoming effective.
Condition 8: Procedures for the detection and prevention of theft, damage and meter interference

1. The Licensee shall (and shall ensure that its agents shall) take all reasonable steps to detect and prevent:
   (a) the theft of electricity at premises which are supplied by it;
   (b) damage to or fault in any electric plant, electric line or electricity meter through which such premises are supplied;
   (c) interference with any electricity meter through which such premises are supplied; and
   (d) any unrecorded consumption of electricity at premises which are supplied by it.

2. The Licensee shall, as soon as is reasonably practicable, inform the owner of the relevant electric plant, electric lines or meter of any incident where it has reason to believe:
   (a) there has been damage to or a fault in any electric 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; or
   (c) the consumption of electricity at premises which are supplied by it has not been recorded.

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 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.
5. In this Condition:

"theft" means the dishonest use, waste or diversion of electricity, within the meaning of Section 15 of the Energy (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1995.
**Condition 9: Information given to final customers**

1. The Licensee shall keep each of its final customers (save insofar as the final customer receives an unmetered supply) informed of the amount of electricity which, since the final customer was last informed, its records show as having been consumed by that final customer:
   
   (a) according to the meter through which the final customer is supplied; or
   
   (b) where no meter reading is available, according to the estimate of the Licensee.

2. The Licensee shall keep each of its final customers informed:
   
   (a) that the Commission can assist in resolving complaints which the Licensee has not resolved to the final customer's satisfaction; and
   
   (b) of how the Commission can be contacted.

3. The Licensee may discharge its duties under paragraphs 1 and 2 by providing the relevant information on or with each bill or statement given to a final customer in respect of charges for the supply of electricity, and annually to each final customer to whom no such bills or statements are rendered.
**Condition 10: Provision of information to the Commission**

1. The Licensee shall furnish to the Commission, in such manner and at such times as the Commission may require, such information and shall procure and furnish to it such reports as the Commission may consider necessary in the light of the Conditions or as it may require for the purpose of performing the functions assigned or transferred to it by or under the Act.

2. Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph 1, the Commission may call for the furnishing of accounting information which is more extensive than or differs from that required to be prepared and supplied to the Commission under Condition 2.

3. The power of the Commission to call for information under paragraph 1 is without prejudice to the power of the Commission to call for information under or pursuant to any other Condition of this licence or under or pursuant to the Act or any other enactment.

4. In this Condition "information" shall include any books, documents, records, accounts, estimates, returns or reports (whether or not prepared specifically at the request of the Commission) of any description and in any format specified by the Commission.

5. The Licensee shall publish information (save for confidential information or Commercially Sensitive Information) in such form and manner and at such times as the Commission may require.

6. Any question arising as to what constitutes confidential information or Commercially Sensitive Information for the purposes of this Condition shall be determined by the Commission after consultation with the Licensee and, at the Commission’s discretion, with any other party affected by that determination.
**Condition 11: Payment of levy**

1. The Licensee shall pay to the Commission any amounts specified in, or determined under, a Levy Order, in accordance with the provisions of such Levy Order.

2. In this Condition:

   "**Levy Order**" means an Order made by the Commission under paragraph 16 of the Schedule to the Act.
**Condition 12: Trading and Settlement Codes**

1. The Licensee shall be party to, and shall comply with the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code insofar as applicable to it.
**Condition 13: Intermediaries**

1. Where the Commission has consented to the registration of any generation units by the Licensee, acting as an Intermediary, the Licensee shall:

   (a) comply with the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code insofar as it is applicable to the Licensee in respect of such generation units; and

   (b) when submitting the price components of Commercial Offer Data under the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code, comply with the relevant conditions of the licence granted pursuant to Section 14(1)(a) of the Act to the person on whose behalf the Licensee is acting as Intermediary.

2. In this Condition:

   "Commercial Offer Data" has the meaning given to it in the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code; and

   "Intermediary" has the meaning given to it in the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code.
**Condition 14: Health and Safety**

The Licensee shall take all reasonable steps to protect persons and property from injury and damage that may be caused by the Licensee and shall comply with all applicable enactments when carrying out its Supply Business.
Condition 15: Compliance with Laws and Directions

1. The Licensee shall comply with all applicable laws.

2. Any costs associated with compliance with all applicable laws shall be the responsibility of the Licensee.

3. In this Condition:

   “applicable laws” means any requirement imposed by or under any applicable law, including by or under legislation, case law, common law or any order, direction, licence, decision, instruction or rule given or granted by any competent authority together with any guidelines or industry codes applicable to the Supply Business, including but not limited to the Electricity Legislation.
**Condition 16: Assignment of Licence and transfer of Supply Business**

1. The Licensee shall not, without the prior written consent of the Commission, assign this licence.

2. The Licensee shall not, without the prior written consent of the Commission, transfer to another person (the "transferee") all or any part of the Supply Business carried out under this licence.

3. Any consent of the Commission to any assignment of this licence or transfer of the Supply Business of the Licensee shall be subject to the Commission being satisfied that the assignee or transferee, as the case may be, will have the technical and financial capability to comply with the Conditions of this licence and, in the case of a transfer only, the transferee being granted a Supply Licence, and may be subject to compliance by the assignee or transferee as the case may be, with any other matters determined by the Commission to be necessary, including the modification of this licence where deemed necessary by the Commission.

4. Nothing in this Condition shall prevent the Licensee transferring its Supply Business to an assignee where the Commission has consented to such assignment provided that such transfer is effected as soon as practicable after such consent has been given.
**Condition 17: Change in control of the Licensee**

The Licensee shall notify the Commission of a change in control of the Licensee as soon as is practicable after such a change in control occurs.
Condition 18: Consumer Protection

1. Conditions which apply to the supply of Household only

(a) Terms and Conditions of Supply to Household Customers:

(i) The Licensee shall prepare and submit to the Commission for its approval the Licensee’s standard terms and conditions applicable in relation to its Household Customers in line with any guidelines issued by the Commission from time to time.

(ii) The Licensee may amend its standard terms and conditions in relation to its Household Customers from time to time but shall submit any proposed amendments to the Commission for its approval.

(iii) The Licensee shall not enter into any contracts or arrangements with its Household Customers except in conformity with the approved standard terms and conditions, save where the Commission has given its prior approval to any variation thereof.

(iv) Where the Licensee has amended its terms and conditions, under paragraph a (iii) above, the Licensee shall provide its Final Customers with a copy of the amended terms and conditions at least 28 days before the change comes into effect.

2. Licensee’s Customer Charter which applies to Household Customers:

(a) Customer Charter

(i) The Licensee shall prepare and submit to the Commission for its approval its Customer Charter applicable to its Household Customers.

(ii) The Customer Charter applicable to the Licensee’s Household Customers shall be in line with any guidelines issued by the Commission from time to time.

(iii) The Licensee shall amend the Customer Charter applicable to its Household Customers in accordance with any directions made by the Commission from time to time.

(iv) The Licensee may choose to amend the Customer Charter applicable to its Household Customers from time to time and shall submit any proposed amendments to the Commission for approval in advance.
Compliance, Reporting and Publishing Arrangements

(i) The Licensee shall comply with the Customer Charter applicable to its Household Customers that has been approved by the Commission.

(ii) The Licensee shall prepare and submit to the Commission a Compliance Report upon request by the Commission. The format of the report shall be in line with any guidelines issued by the Commission from time to time.

(iii) Unless the Commission consents otherwise the Licensee shall publish the Customer Charter applicable to its Household Customers and make it available on their website.

(iv) The Licensee shall also ensure that they make the Customer Charter applicable to its Household Customers available in non-standard communication format upon request to any Household Customer suffering from a vision impairment.

(v) The Licensee shall make all their Household Customers aware of the Customer Charter applicable to them at least once per annum by advising of its existence and providing details as to how these may be obtained.

3. Conditions which apply to the supply of all Final Customers.

(a) Terms and Conditions of Supply

(i) The Licensee must provide all Final Customers with a copy of the Licensee’s terms and conditions applicable to their agreement with the Final Customer to supply electricity.

(b) Licensee’s Codes of Practice

(i) Unless the Commission consents otherwise the Licensee shall prepare and submit to the Commission for its approval its Codes of Practice.

(ii) The Codes of Practice shall be in line with any guidelines issued by the Commission from time to time. (In certain instances, these guidelines may exclude defined categories of Customers)

(iii) The Licensee shall amend the Codes of Practice in accordance with any directions made by the Commission from time to time.
(iv) The Licensee may choose to amend the Codes of Practice from time to time and shall submit any proposed amendments to the Commission for approval in advance.

(c) Compliance, Reporting and Publishing Arrangements

(i) The Licensee shall comply with the Codes of Practice that have been approved by the Commission.

(ii) The Licensee shall prepare and submit to the Commission a Compliance Report upon request by the Commission. The format of the report shall be in line with any guidelines issued by the Commission from time to time.

(iii) Unless the Commission consents otherwise the Licensee shall publish the Codes of Practice and make them available on their website.

4. In this Condition:

“Codes of Practice” means the Billing and Disconnection Codes of Practice, Marketing Code of Practice; Complaints Code of Practice; Prepayment Metering Code of Practice, Vulnerable Customer Code of Practice and any additional code of practice that the Commission may advise the Licensee that it is required to produce;

“Complaints Code of Practice” means the Code of Practice in relation to the handling of customer complaints, which is required to be produced by the Licensee under this Condition 18;

“Compliance Report” means the report on the Licensee’s compliance with its Codes of Practice and Customer Charters, which the Licensee shall be required to produce under this Condition 18;

“Customer Charter” means the Customer Charter in relation to Household Customers which is required to be produced by the Licensee under this Condition 18;
“Marketing Code of Practice” means the code of practice in relation to marketing of electricity supply services, which is required to be produced by the Licensee under this Condition 18;

“Prepayment Metering Code of Practice” means the Code of Practice in relation to the provision and operation of prepayment meters, which is required to be produced by the Licensee under this Condition 18;

“Vulnerable Customer” means a household customer who is—

(a) critically dependent on electrically powered equipment, which shall include but is not limited to life protecting devices, assistive technologies to support independent living and medical equipment, or

(b) particularly vulnerable to disconnection during winter months for reasons of advanced age or physical, sensory, intellectual or mental health.

“Vulnerable Customer Code of Practice” means the code of practice in relation to dealing with Vulnerable Customers, which is required to be produced by the Licensee under this Condition 18;
**Condition 19: Cost-Reflective Bidding in the Single Electricity Market**

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 the price components of all Commercial Offer Data submitted to the Single Market Operation Business 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, are cost-reflective.

2. For the purposes of this Condition, the price component of any Commercial Offer Data shall be treated as cost-reflective only if, in relation to each relevant Demand Side Unit, the Schedule Production Cost related to that Demand Side Unit in respect of the Trading Day to which the Commercial Offer Data submitted by or on behalf of the Licensee apply is equal to the Short Run Marginal Cost related to that Demand Side Unit in respect of that Trading Day.

3. For the purposes of paragraph 2, the Short Run Marginal Cost related to a Demand Side Unit in respect of a Trading Day is to be calculated as:

   (a) the total costs that would be attributable to the ownership, operation and maintenance of that Demand Side Unit during that Trading Day if the Demand Side Unit was not reducing its electricity consumption during that day;

   minus

   (b) the total costs that would be attributable to the ownership, operation and maintenance of that Demand Side Unit during that Trading Day if the Demand Side Unit were reducing its electricity consumption during that day

   the result of which calculation may be either a negative or a positive number.

4. For the purposes of paragraph 3, the costs attributable to a Demand Side Unit shall be deemed, in respect of each relevant cost-item, to be the Opportunity Cost of that cost-item in relation to the relevant Trading Day.

5. The Commission has published and, following consultation with the holders of Supply Licenses and Generation Licences and such other persons as the
Commission considers appropriate, from time to time may by direction amend, the document known as the Bidding Code of Practice.

6. The Licensee shall, in carrying out the activity to which paragraph 1 refers, act so as to ensure its compliance with the requirements of the Bidding Code of Practice.

7. The Commission 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 licence and with the Bidding Code of Practice, and the Licensee shall comply with such directions.

8. The Licensee shall retain each set of Commercial Offer Data, and all of its supporting data relevant to the calculation of the price component of that Commercial Offer Data, for a period of at least four years commencing on the date on which the Commercial Offer Data is submitted to the Single Market Operation Business.

9. The Licensee shall, if requested to do so by the Commission, provide the Commission with:

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

   (b) supporting evidence sufficient to establish the consistency of that data with the obligations of the Licensee under this Condition.

10. In any case in which 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 Commission and provide to the Commission a statement of its reasons for the Commercial Offer Data submitted.

11. In this Condition:

   “Demand Side Unit” has the meaning given to it in the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code

   “Bidding Code of Practice” means the document of that title published by the Commission in accordance with paragraph 5 and which may be amended from time to time
“Commercial Offer Data” has the meaning given to it in the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code;

“Opportunity Cost” shall have the meaning set out in, and the value calculated in accordance with, the terms of the Bidding Code of Practice;

“Schedule Production Cost” has the meaning given to it in the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code;

“Short Run Marginal Cost” means certain costs attributable to the Demand Side Unit, as calculated in accordance with paragraph 3 of this Condition;

“Single Market Operation Business” has the meaning given to it in the licence granted pursuant to section 14(1)(j) of the Act; and

“Trading Day” has the meaning given to it in the Single Electricity Market Trading and Settlement Code.
**Condition 20: Prohibition of tariffs that create incentives that may unnecessarily increase the volume of distributed or transmitted energy**

1. The licensee shall ensure that their tariffs for the supply of electricity do not create incentives that may unnecessarily increase the volume of distributed or transmitted energy.
**Condition 21. Duty to offer supply**

1. This condition shall apply to holders of licences supplying electricity to final customers in DUoS Groups DG1, DG2 or DG5,

2. Subject to the provisions of this Condition, and without prejudice to any of the Licensee’s obligations and rights under any electricity legislation or this licence, the Licensee shall, upon receipt of a reasonable request from a person, who is within a DUoS Group detailed in paragraph 1, that the licensee is authorised to supply by this License and is supplying and who is a final customer, as soon as is reasonably practicable:

   (a) offer to enter into a supply contract to supply electricity to the single premises in respect of which the supply is requested; and

   (b) where the terms offered are accepted by the customer, give a supply of electricity to those premises in accordance with the terms offered.

3. The Licensee shall not be required by paragraph 1 to give a supply of electricity where:

   (a) the premises in question are not connected to the distribution or transmission networks;

   (b) the premises in question have been de-energised by a system operator;

   (c) the Licensee has been informed by the relevant system operator that compliance with the requirement in question would give rise to an abnormal risk affecting the safety of any person, land, building or other property;

   (d) it is not reasonable in all the circumstances for the Licensee to be required to supply electricity, provided that the Licensee shall:

       (i) refer any question as to whether the circumstances are reasonable to the Commission for determination promptly (and in any event no later than five working days after the Licensee’s receipt of the request); and

       (ii) where the Licensee already supplies electricity to the single premises in respect of which supply is requested, give not less
than three months notice of its intention to discontinue supply (or such shorter notice as has been approved by the Commission); or

(e) to do so would be likely to involve the Licensee in a contravention or breach of:

(i) any legislation, or any regulations made, consent or licence granted or obligation imposed there under;

(ii) the Act of 1999;

(iii) the Regulations

(v) any industry code.

4. In this Condition:

“request” includes, to the extent that the Licensee so requires, the following information:

(a) the premises in respect of which supply is required;

(b) the day on which the supply is required to commence; and

(c) the minimum period for which supply is required to be given;

(i) any reference to giving a supply of electricity includes a reference to continuing to give such a supply and any reference to requesting a supply includes a reference to requesting such a supply to continue to be given; and

(ii) “supply contract” means a contract for the supply of electricity which complies with the Licensee’s obligations under this licence.

5. Any question arising as to:

(d) what constitutes a reasonable request to supply, including the terms and conditions under which a request to supply electricity may, as respects a customer or a group or class of customers be considered to be unreasonable shall be determined by the Commission for the purposes of this Condition.

6. In this Condition:
“DUoS Groups” means the DUoS Tariffs Groups, within the meaning of the Rules for Application of DuoS Tariff Group as approved by the Commission from time to time.
**Condition 22: Supplier of Last Resort**

1. If so designated by the Commission the Licensee shall undertake the duties of the Supplier of Last Resort in accordance with the terms and conditions of that designation and the relevant Regulations.

2. The Licensee shall comply with a Supplier of Last Resort Direction from the Commission in so far as it applies to the Licensee.

3. If so required under the Supplier of Last Resort Direction the Licensee shall assist, in line with the requirements determined by the Commission, in the transfer of its Customers to the designated Supplier of Last Resort.

4. The Commission may issue a Supplier of Last Resort Direction in respect of the Licensee where:

   (a) the Licensee ceases or fails to supply electricity in accordance with its contractual obligations;

   (b) the Commission is of the opinion that circumstances exist, which warrant such a Supplier of Last Resort Direction;

   (c) the Licensee’s Licence is in the process of being revoked.

5. In this Condition:

   “Supplier of Last Resort Direction” means a direction given to the Supplier of Last Resort by the Commission in pursuance to the relevant Regulations.
SCHEDULE 1

Customers whom the Licensee is licensed to supply

1. The Licensee is licensed to supply electricity to eligible customers.
SCHEDULE 2

Right of Commission to revoke Licence

1. The Commission may at any time revoke this licence by not less than 30 days’ notice in writing to the Licensee:

(a) if the Licensee agrees in writing with the Commission that this licence should be revoked;

(b) if any amount payable under a Levy Order is unpaid 30 days after it has become due and remains unpaid for a period of 14 days after the Commission has given the Licensee notice in writing that the payment is overdue. Provided that no such notice shall be given earlier than the 16th day after the day on which the amount payable became due;

(c) if the Licensee fails to comply with a direction under Section 24 of the Act, a determination under Section 25 of the Act or an order under Section 26 of the Act and which (in respect of any of these cases) has been made in respect of a contravention or apprehended contravention of any of the Conditions of this licence and (in respect of any of these cases) such failure is not rectified to the satisfaction of the Commission within three months or such other period as the Commission may determine, after the Commission has given notice of such failure to the Licensee. Provided that in respect of a direction under Section 24 of the Act, no such notice shall be given by the Commission before the expiration of the period within which representations or objections under Section 24 of the Act could be made questioning a direction under Section 24 of the Act or before the proceedings relating to any such representations or objections are finally determined;

(d) if the Licensee fails to comply with any order made by the Minister under Sections 39 or 40 of the Act;

(e) if the Licensee:

   (i) is unable to pay its debts (within the meaning of Section 214 of the Companies Act, 1963) 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 Commission); or

   (ii) has a receiver or an examiner within the meaning of Section 1 of the Companies (Amendment) Act, 1990 of the whole or any material part of its assets or undertaking appointed; or

   (iii) passes any resolution for winding-up other than a resolution previously approved in writing by the Commission; or

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

   (v) is dissolved, declared bankrupt or being of unsound mind;
(f) if:

(i) there is a change in the control of the Licensee; and

(ii) the Commission is satisfied that the new shareholder (together with the other companies in its group), does not have adequate technical, financial or managerial strength, taking into account the size of its shareholding in the Licensee; and

(iii) the Commission serves notice on the Licensee stating that the Commission proposes to revoke this licence in pursuance of this paragraph unless such further change in control of the Licensee as is specified in the notice takes place within the period of three months beginning with the date of service of the notice; and

(iv) that further change does not take place within that period;

(g) if the Licensee fails to notify the Commission as soon as practicable thereafter that a change in the control of the Licensee shall have occurred;

(h) if the Licensee ceases to carry on the Supply Business for a period of 6 months except where the Commission is satisfied that this has occurred as a result of events beyond the reasonable control of the Licensee in which case the Commission shall substitute such longer period as it, in its sole discretion, considers reasonable in all the circumstances; or

(i) if the Licensee has not commenced carrying on the Supply Business within 6 months of the date this licence comes into force except where the Commission is satisfied that this has occurred as a result of events beyond the reasonable control of the Licensee in which case the Commission shall substitute such longer period as it, in its sole discretion, considers reasonable in all the circumstances.

2. For the purposes of paragraph 1(e)(i) of this Schedule, Section 214 of the Companies Act, 1963 shall have effect as if for "$1,000" there was substituted "$50,000" or such higher figure as the Commission may from time to time determine by notice in writing to the Licensee.

(b) There is a change in the control of the Licensee for the purposes of paragraphs 1(f) and (g) of this Schedule whenever a person has control of the Licensee who did not have control of the Licensee when this licence was granted.