## Article 14 Licence Modification Notice of Decision

## The Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation

## DECISION UNDER ARTICLE 14(8) OF THE ELECTRICITY (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1992

## MODIFICATION OF SONI LTD'S LICENCE TO ACT AS SEM OPERATOR

In accordance with Article 14(2) of the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 ("the Order") the Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation ("the Authority") published a notice of its intention to modify the conditions of the licence.

In accordance with Article 14(5) of the Order the Authority has considered representations duly made to it.

The Authority has decided to proceed with the making of modifications of the conditions of the licence in exercise of its powers under Article 14(1) of the Order.

In accordance with Article 14(8) of the Order the Authority gives notice as follows:

- 1) The Authority will modify the Market Operator licence (the "Licence") held by SONI Ltd ("the Licensee").
- 2) The licence will be amended as set out in the attached Annex.
- 3) The modifications to the SONI Ltd licence are set out in the Authority's decision paper entitled "Decision on further modifications to the SONI Market Operator Licence and SONI Transmission System Operator Licence, necessitated to implement the Integrated Single Electricity Market (I-SEM))" published 10 March 2017.
- 4) The Authority considers that the modifications to the licence are an appropriate course of action in order to allow for implementation of the I-SEM.
- 5) On 16 December 2016, the Authority published a notice stating that it intended to modify the licence and gave the reasons for and effects of the modifications. The purpose of that notice was to bring the proposed modifications to the attention of persons likely to be affected by them, and to invite representations or objections in connection thereto. We have taken into account representations related to these modifications, made any necessary adjustments and explained the reasons for any changes to our proposals.
- 6) Each of the modifications detailed in the attached annex will take effect from 5 May 2017.
- 7) The Authority has, pursuant to Article 14(8) of the Order, published this notice

- on its website and sent a copy of this notice to the licensee. In addition, the Authority has provided a copy of this notice to the Department for the Economy and the Consumer Council.
- 8) A copy of the modification can be obtained in hard copy from Leigh Greer at: Utility Regulator, Queens House, 14 Queen Street, Belfast, BT1 6ED or email <a href="mailto:Leigh.Greer@uregni.gov.uk">Leigh.Greer@uregni.gov.uk</a>

Dated this 10 March 2017

Jenny Pyper

**Chief Executive** 

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