



## **ANNEX E**

## NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 14(2) OF THE GAS (NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 1996

In pursuance of its powers under Article 14(1) of the Gas (Northern Ireland) Order 1996 (as amended) (the "Order") the Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation (hereafter referred to as the Utility Regulator) hereby gives notice under Article 14(2) as follows:

- The Utility Regulator proposes to modify the gas conveyance licence held by, Belfast Gas Transmission Limited (BGTL), Premier Transmission Limited (PTL), West Transmission Limited (WTL) and GNI (UK).
- 2. The proposed modifications will:
- Ensure consistency between the PTL gas conveyance licence and the enduring arrangements to facilitate the conveyance of gas to Stranraer, including the introduction of the concept of Non-IP (Interconnection Point) Entry Capacity with associated charging and congestion management arrangements.
- Enhance the equitability of treatment of the Stranraer Shipper compared to that of other Shippers in NI, including with respect to annual year-end reconciliation and the applicability of Entry Overrun Charges.
- Allow the Enduring Charging arrangements in relation to Supplemental Income to go further back into the past than the current GNI (UK) licence allows so that a one off adjustment may be made following agreement of the Enduring Charging arranges for Haynestown, an offtake from the South -North Pipeline.
- Enhance the robustness of Utility Regulator input in relation to certain interoperator and regulatory arrangements.
- Address known licence drafting issues and enhance the clarity and transparency of licence drafting.
- Update relevant stakeholder contact details and communication details within high pressure gas licences to reflect best practice and be more up to date.
   These modifications also align with recent updates to Gas Distribution Network licences.





- The reasons for and effects of these modifications are explained in sections 2
  to 6 of the consultation document published alongside this notice. The
  proposed modifications are set out in Annexes A to Annex D of the
  consultation document.
- 4. The purpose of this notice is 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. In line with Article 14(3) of the Order, any representations or objections with respect to the proposed modifications may be made until 5pm on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2024 to:

Deirdre Matheson Utility Regulator Queens House 14 Queens Street Belfast BT1 6ED

Email: <u>Gas\_networks\_responses@uregni.gov.uk</u> and deirdre.matheson@uregni.gov.uk

5. The Utility Regulator has, pursuant to Article 14(4) of the Order, served a copy of this notice on the licensees and sent a copy to the Department for the Economy. The Utility Regulator has also sent a copy of this notice to the Consumer Council.

Dated this 6th day of November 2024

John French Chief Executive

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