

**28<sup>th</sup> June 2022**

**Viking Link Access Rules and Charging Methodology Consultations**

Dear Market Participants,

National Grid Viking Link Limited (NGVLL) is proposing the Access Rules and Charging Methodology for the Viking Link 1400MW HVDC Interconnector, which is currently under construction and expected to enter into commercial operation at the end of 2023. The Viking Link interconnector will connect the British and Danish (DK1 bidding zone) electricity transmission systems.

NGVLL is hereby opening consultations on the Access Rules and Charging Methodology, as required by Standard Conditions 11A and 10 respectively of the Interconnector Licence, which if approved will be used from the start of Viking Link's commercial operation.

These consultations open on the date of this letter and will close on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

Energinet (the co-owner of Viking Link and the registered TSO in Denmark) will also be opening a public hearing in Denmark on the same Viking Link Access Rules which will run in parallel to this Access Rules consultation. Ultimately the Access Rules will be jointly owned by NGVLL and Energinet and all responses received either to this consultation or in the Danish public hearing will be shared with the other party.

**Consultation documents:**

The consultation documents can be obtained on the Viking Link website, as follows:

<https://viking-link.com/consultations/viking-link-access-rules-consultation/>

**Consultation responses:**

NGVLL would like to invite feedback from Market Participants on the above Access Rules and Charging Methodology.

**The latest date for responses to this consultation will be 18.00 CET on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2022.** All responses should be titled "Response to Viking Link Access Rules and Charging Methodology consultations, June-July 2022" and are to be submitted via email to [box.viking.customerenquiries@nationalgrid.com](mailto:box.viking.customerenquiries@nationalgrid.com)

When responding please state your contact details and whether you are responding as an individual company or representing the views of an association.

If you have any questions in relation to any of the above, please contact:

Email: [box.viking.customerenquiries@nationalgrid.com](mailto:box.viking.customerenquiries@nationalgrid.com)

**Next Steps:**

Feedback from market participants will be reviewed after the close of these consultations. Subsequently they will be submitted for approval (as amended following the consultation at the discretion of NGVLL and Energinet) to the relevant NRAs; Ofgem in the UK, and Danish Utility Regulator (DUR) in Denmark, approval being required before these Access Rules and Charging Methodology take effect.

**Yours faithfully,**

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