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### **Viking Link Access Rules re-consultation**

Dear Market Participants,

National Grid Viking Link Limited (NGVLL) is proposing Access Rules 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 re-consulting on the Access Rules, following some changes to the proposals contained in the initial consultation that closed on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2022. This re-consultation is conducted under the requirements of Standard Condition 11A of the Interconnector Licence. This consultation opens on the date of this letter and will close on **28th September 2022**.

The specific items upon which NGVLL is re-consulting are as follows:

Rules 55.2, 63A.2	Clarification of curtailment compensation where resulting from NTC restriction by either of the operators of the British and Danish electricity transmission systems
Rule 83 Paras 1e, 2, 6	Introduction of text to align with the Suspension clauses within the EU Harmonised Allocation Rules

Energinet (the co-owner of Viking Link and the registered TSO in Denmark) and the Danish Utility Regulator (DUR) will also be conducting a public hearing in Denmark on the same Viking Link Access Rules which will run in parallel to this consultation. Ultimately the Access Rules will be jointly owned by NGVLL and Energinet, and hence will coordinate on final requirements based on responses received.

#### **Consultation documents:**

The Access Rules re-consultation document 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 proposal.

The latest date for responses to this consultation will be **17.00 on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022**. All responses should be titled “**Response to Viking Link Access Rules re-consultation, September 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 this consultation. Subsequently the Access Rules will be submitted for approval (as amended following this re-consultation at the discretion of NGVLL) to Ofgem, approval being required before these Access Rules take effect.

**Yours faithfully,**

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