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### **Highlights**

Steve Holliday | Chief Executive

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### **People**

### John Pettigrew

Executive Director, UK





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Executive Director, US

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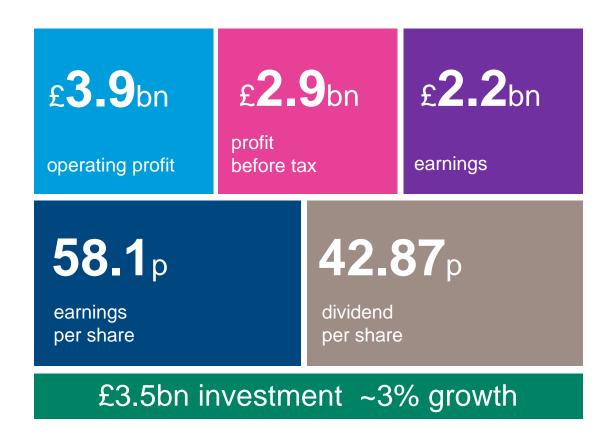
### 2014/15 Highlights



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### Profit, EPS, dividend and scrip



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#### Returns and value added

# 11.8%

### **Group Return on Equity**

- 40bps increase
- Strong performance

£1.7bn

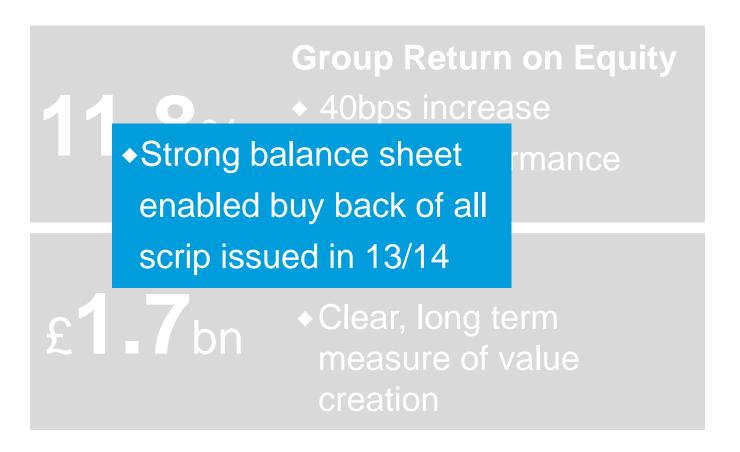
### Value Added

 Clear, long term measure of value creation

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#### Returns and value added



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### **UK** performance



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### **UK performance**

customer benefits



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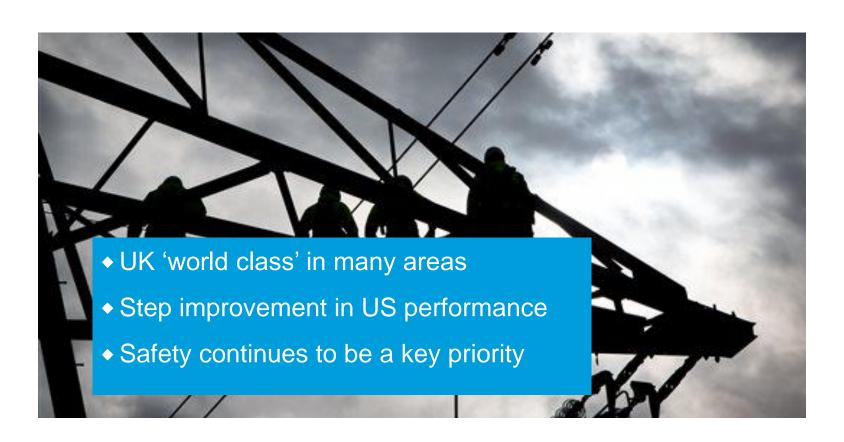
### **US** regulated performance



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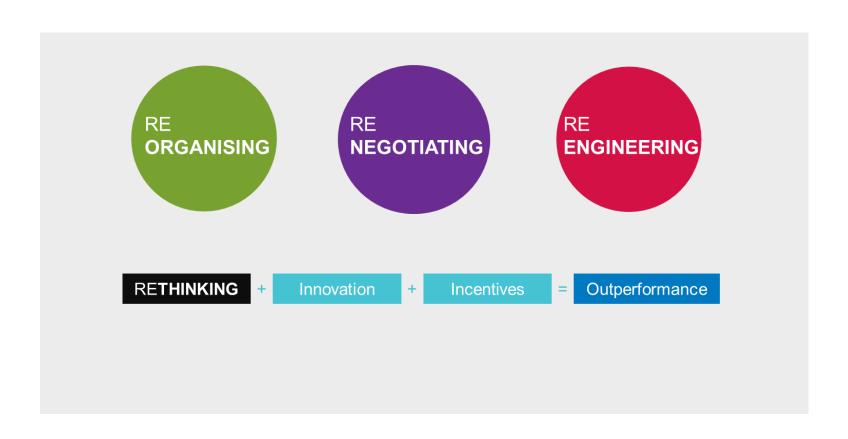
### **Safety**



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### **Benefits of preparing for RIIO**



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### **Benefits of preparing for RIIO**



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### **New investments**



- Interconnectors to Belgium & Norway
- 2.4GW capacity to UK market
- Help reduce customer bills
- Sustainable long term returns

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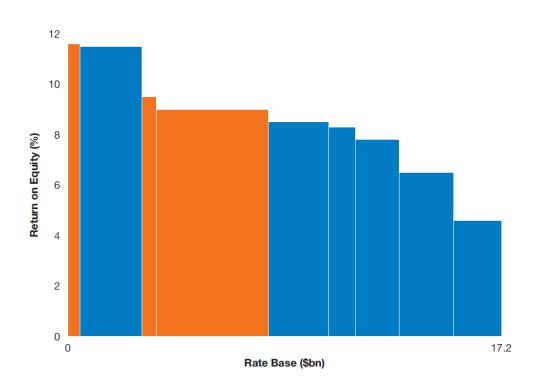
### Regulatory alignment

- US has laid groundwork for future investment
- Test year for next set of rate filings underway
- Massachusetts plan to file later this year
- New York plan to file in early 2016

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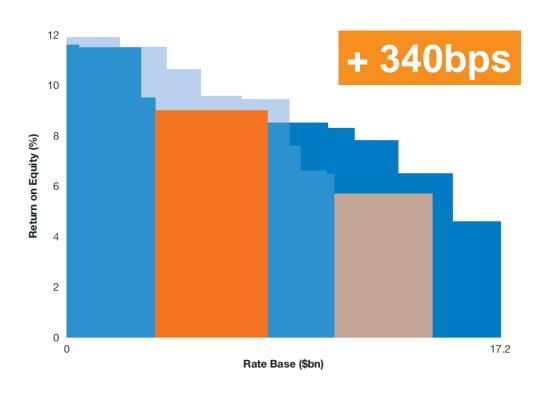
### **Upstate New York & Rhode Island**



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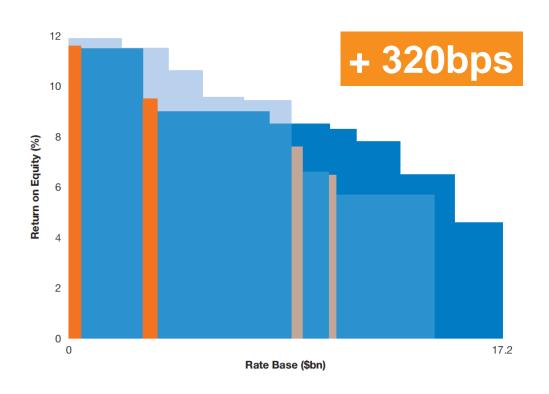
### **Upstate New York 2011 - 2014**



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### Rhode Island 2011 - 2014



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### **Business Review**

**Andrew Bonfield** | Finance Director

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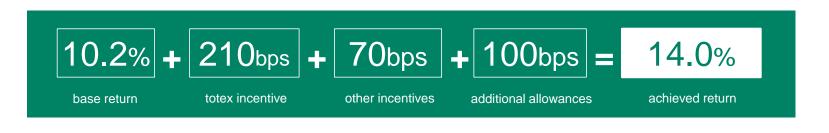
### **Financial Highlights**



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### **UK Electricity Transmission scorecard**



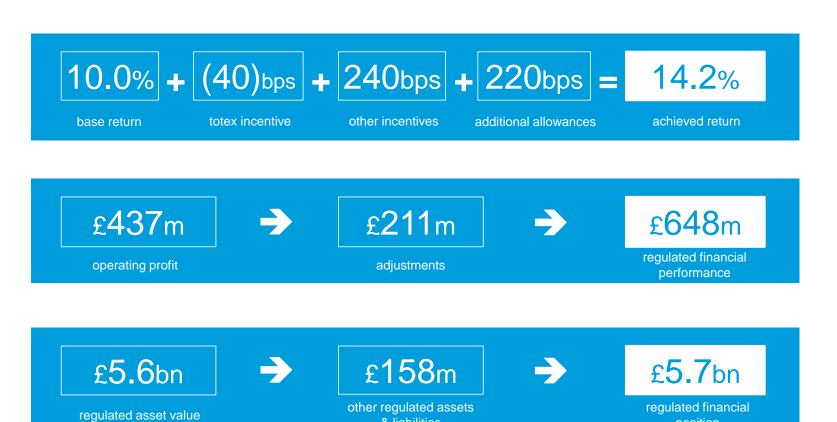




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### **UK Gas Transmission scorecard**



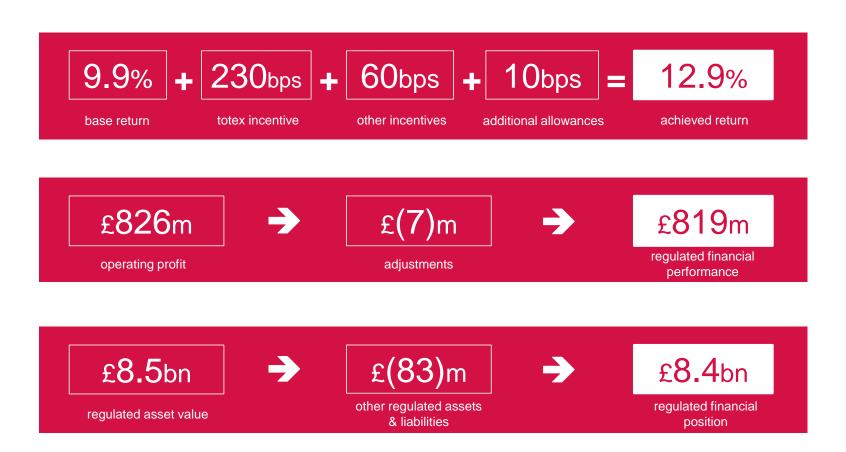
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### **UK Gas Distribution scorecard**

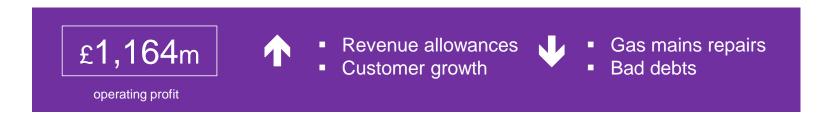


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### **US Regulated scorecard**



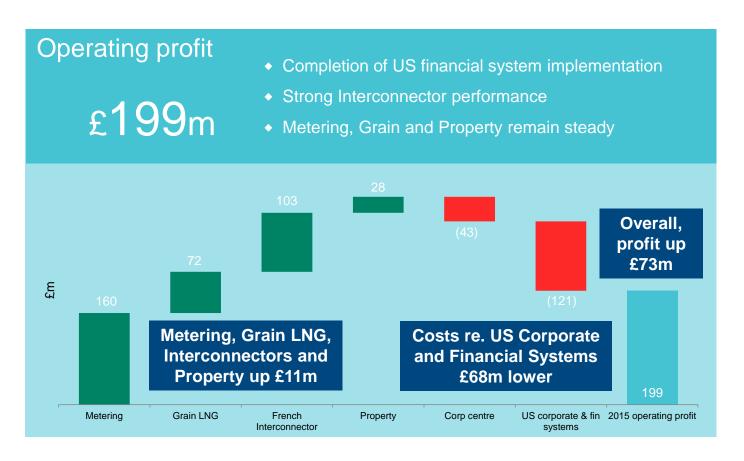




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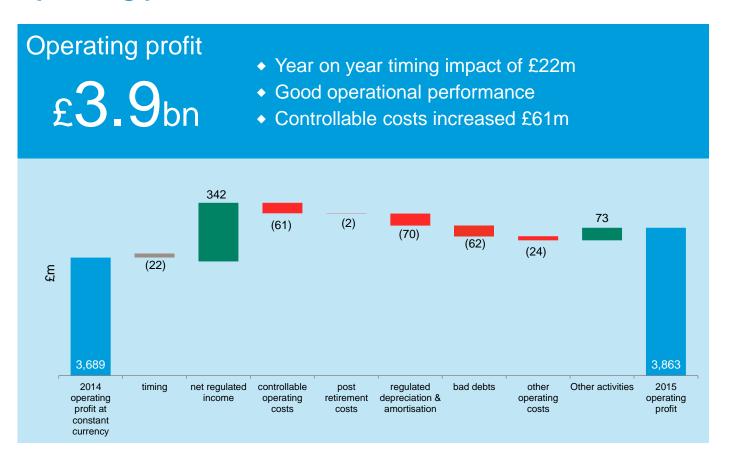
### Other activities



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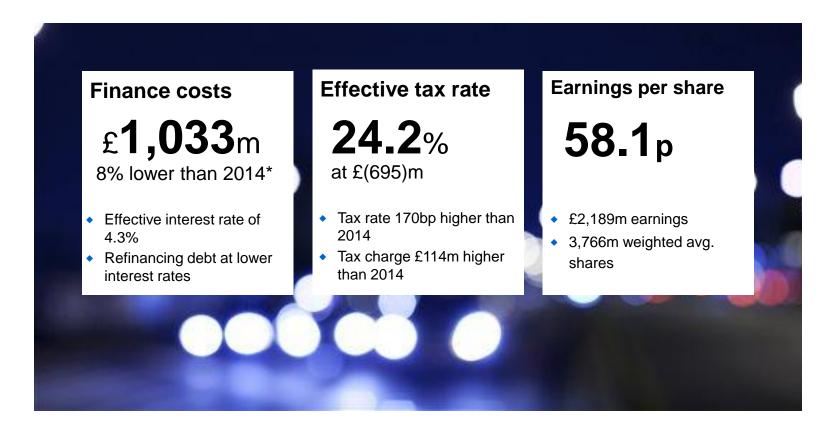
### **Operating profit**



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### Interest, tax & earnings



Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

<sup>\*</sup> Constant currency figures calculated by applying the average 2015 rate (\$1.58 to £1.00) to 2014 results (when the average rate was \$1.62 to £1.00)

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### Cash flows and net debt

Period ended 31 March 2015	£m
Operating profit	3,863
Depreciation & amortisation	1,494
Pensions	(270)
Working capital & other	280
Net operating cash flow	5,367
Net debt	23,915

RCF/net debt $9 \underline{9}\%$
FFO/net debt $16.4\%$
Interest cover 5.1 x

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### **Technical guidance**



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### **Technical guidance**

**UK** revenues



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### **Dividend & scrip**



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### Inflation

# UK revenues ~ £4bn\*

- Set using mixture of actual + forecast RPI
- 2 year lag before actual inflation impacts headline numbers

# RPI debt ~ £7bn

- Lower interest payments required
- In short term increases headline earnings

# UK RAV ~£25bn

- Impacts rate of growth
- Lower RPI in 2014/15 impacted growth by c.£500m

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### Value added

Supporting long term shareholder returns		
+ Net asset growth	£ <b>1,125</b> m	
+ Dividend paid	£ <b>1,606</b> m	
- Growth in net debt	£( <b>1,046</b> )m	
= Value Added	£ <b>1,685</b> m	

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### **Summary**



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# **Growth & strategy**

Steve Holliday | Chief Executive

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#### **Looking forward...**



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# Well set for next ten years of sustainable growth



UK Regulated:

£**16-20**bn over RIIO 1

Sustainable growth into RIIO 2

Electricity Transmission: investing in modernisation followed by new generation

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Well set for next ten years of sustainable growth



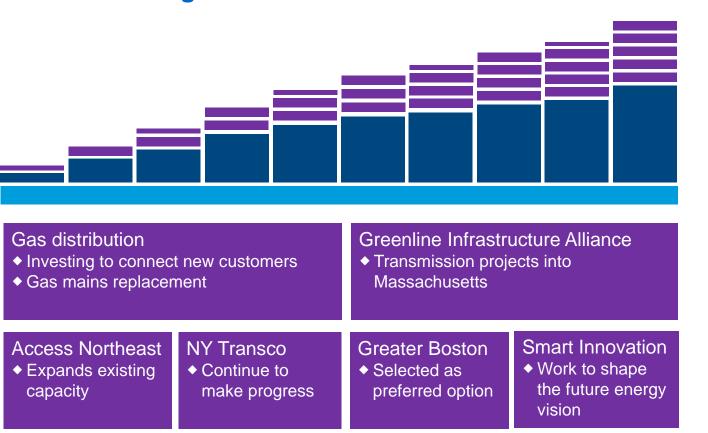
Interconnectors: initial investments create strong, cash generative assets

Gas Transmission & Distribution: ongoing investment driven by security, emissions and safety

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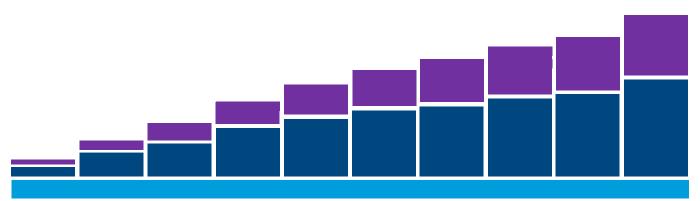
# Well set for next ten years of sustainable growth



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# Well set for next ten years of sustainable growth

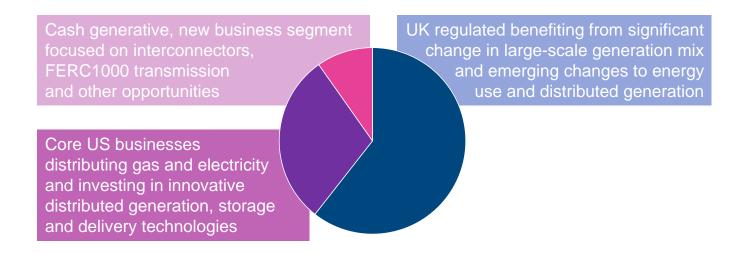


- Disrupters will create new opportunities
- Working to invest in the right innovation and assets
- Exciting pipeline of attractive projects with good returns
- Supporting earnings and cash generation in the future

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#### Shape of things to come



#### Capacity to invest £3-4bn in new opportunities

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#### 2015/16 priorities

UK Electricity Transmission	Deliver efficient investment programme
UK Gas Transmission	Further important upgrades required
UK Gas Distribution	Priority to improve customer
	service

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#### Conclusion



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# **Appendices**

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#### **Electricity Transmission**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2015	2014
Revenue	3,754	3,387
Pass through costs	(1,821)	(1,655)
Net Revenue *	1,933	1,732
Depreciation & Amortisation	(376)	(343)
Regulated Controllable costs	(283)	(269)
Pensions	(36)	(32)
Other costs	(1)	(1)
Total UK Electricity Transmission operating profit **	1,237	1,087

<sup>\*</sup> Net revenue includes BSIS performance of £23m in 2015 (2014: £27m)
\*\* Operating profit includes a contribution from other electricity services of £9m (2014: £9m)

At actual currency

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### **Gas Transmission**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2015	2014
Revenue	1,022	941
Pass through costs	(242)	(206)
Net Revenue	780	735
Depreciation & Amortisation	(172)	(172)
Regulated Controllable costs	(125)	(117)
Pensions	(18)	(18)
Other costs	(28)	(11)
Total UK Gas Transmission operating profit *	437	417

<sup>\*</sup> Operating profit includes a loss from LNG Storage of £2m in 2015 (2014: profit £6m)

At actual currence

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### **UK Gas Distribution**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2015	2014
Revenue	1,867	1,898
Pass through costs	(363)	(367)
Net Revenue	1,504	1,531
Depreciation & Amortisation	(286)	(271)
Regulated Controllable costs	(353)	(331)
Pensions	(36)	(40)
Other costs / contributions released	(3)	15
Total UK Gas Distribution operating profit	826	904

At actual currency

<sup>·</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### **US** Regulated

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2015	2014
Revenue	7,986	8,252
Pass through costs	(3,908)	(4,275)
Net Revenue	4,078	3,977
Depreciation & Amortisation	(452)	(430)
Regulated Controllable costs	(1,424)	(1,407)
Pensions	(76)	(74)
Bad debt	(119)	(57)
Other costs	(843)	(854)
Total US Regulated operating profit	1,164	1,155

At constant currency

<sup>·</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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# Metering, Grain LNG, French Interconnector and Property

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2015	2014
Revenue	309	321
Depreciation & amortisation	(82)	(85)
Operating costs (excluding depreciation & amortisation)	(67)	(74)
Metering operating profit	160	162
Revenue	198	198
Depreciation & amortisation	(55)	(55)
Operating costs (excluding depreciation & amortisation)	(71)	(69)
Grain LNG operating profit	72	74
Revenue	124	103
Depreciation & amortisation	(4)	(4)
Operating costs (excluding depreciation & amortisation)	(17)	(14)
Interconnector operating profit	103	85
Revenue	43	48
Depreciation & amortisation	(1)	(2)
Operating costs (excluding depreciation & amortisation)	(14)	(15)
Property operating profit	28	31

At actual currency

<sup>·</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### **Exchange rates**

For the year ended 31 March	2015	2014
Closing \$ / £ rate	1.49	1.67
Average \$ / £ rate for the period	1.58	1.62

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2015
Impact on operating profit *	25
Impact on interest *	(17)
Impact on tax, JVs and minority interests *	(2)
Net impact on earnings *	6
Impact on net debt **	(1,691)
Impact on book value of assets **	1,819

Currency impact calculated by applying the average March 2015 rate to 2014 results
 Currency impact calculated by applying the March 2015 rate to March 2014 balances

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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# Pensions & other post-retirement benefit obligations (IAS 19 data)

	ı	JK	U	S	
At 31 March 2015 (£m)	ESPS	NGUK PS	Pensions	OPEBs	NG total
Market value of assets	2,380	17,073	5,052	1,903	26,408
Present value of liabilities	(2,860)	(17,265)	(6,055)	(3,486)	(29,666)
Net liability	(480)	(192)	(1,003)	(1,583)	(3,258)
Taxation	96	38	405	638	1,177
Liability net of taxation	(384)	(154)	(598)	(945)	(2,081)
Discount rates	3.3	3.3	4.1	4.1	

<sup>•</sup> OPEBs = other post employment benefits

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#### **Timing Impacts**

£m	UK Electricity Transmission	UK Gas Transmission	UK Gas Distribution	US Regulated	Total
2014/15 Opening balance	(67)	(11)	21	120	63
2014/15 Opening balance restatement adjustment	(8)	-	(18)	-	(26)
2014/15 over/(under) recovery	(89)	(18)	13	30	(64)
2014/15 Closing balance	(164)	(29)	16	150	(27)
2013/14 Opening balance	(7)	10	(8)	110	105
2013/14 over/(under) recovery	(60)	(21)	29	10	(42)
2013/14 Closing balance	(67)	(11)	21	120	63
Year on year timing variance	(29)	3	(16)	20	(22)

<sup>• 2014/15</sup> opening balance restatement reflects finalisation of UK timing balances

All USD balances stated using the average 2015 rate (\$1.58 to £1.00)

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#### **UK Transmission and UK Distribution**

Regulated asset values ("RAV") and returns

	UK Electricity Transmission	UK Gas Transmission	<b>UK Gas Distribution</b>	
Regulator	Ofgem	Ofgem	Ofgem	
Rate base / RAV	£11,339m	£5,552m	£8,511m	
Base allowed return (assumed CoD 2.72%)	4.43% ('vanilla' WACC)	4.25% ('vanilla' WACC)	4.11% ('vanilla' WACC)	
Allowed RoE (nominal)	10.2%	10.0%	9.9%	
Achieved RoE (nominal)	14.0%	14.2%	12.9%	
Equity / debt (assumed)	40 / 60	37.5 / 62.5	35 / 65	
Sharing factors (shareholder retention at	46.9%	44.4%	63.0%	
RoE)	plus incentive schemes	plus incentive schemes	plus incentive schemes	
	from April 2015	from April 2015	from April 2015	
Base allowed return (assumed CoD 2.55%)	4.33%	4.14%	4.00%	

CoD = Cost of Debt

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#### **New York Jurisdiction**

Regulated asset base ("Rate base") and returns

Rate bases are reported by regulatory entity as at 31 March 2015. Returns are those for the calendar year ended 31 December 2014

	Long Island (KEDLI)	Downstate New York (KEDNY)	Upstate New York (NMPC Gas)	Upstate New York (NMPC Electric)
Regulator	New York PSC	New York PSC	New York PSC	New York PSC
Rate base / RAV	\$2,146m	\$2,387m	\$1,060m	\$4,453m
Base allowed return	9.80%	9.40%	9.30%	9.30%
base allowed return	(RoE)	(RoE)	(RoE)	(RoE)
Achieved return	6.5%	8.5%	8.3%	9.0%
Equity / debt (assumed)	45 / 55	48 / 52	48 / 52	48 / 52
Sharing factors (shareholder retention at RoE)	100% to 10.5% 50% to 12.5% 35% to 13.5% 0% above 13.5%	20% above 9.4%	50% to 10.3% 25% to 11.3% 10% above 11.3%	50% to 10.3% 25% to 11.3% 10% above 11.3%
Last / next rate case filing	Effective from January 2008	Effective from January 2013	Effective from April 2013	Effective from April 2013

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#### **Massachusetts and Rhode Island Jurisdiction**

Regulated asset base ("Rate base") and returns

Rate bases are reported by regulatory entity as at 31 March 2015. Returns are those for the calendar year ended 31 December 2014

	Massachusetts Electric *	Massachusetts Gas **	Narragansett (Distribution & Gas) ***
Regulator	Massachusetts DPU	Massachusetts DPU	Rhode Island PUC
Rate base / RAV	\$1,905m	\$1,747m	\$1,066m
Base allowed return	10.35%	9.75%	9.50%
	RoE	RoE	RoE
Achieved return	4.6%	7.8%	10.4%
Equity / debt (assumed)	50 / 50	50 / 50	49 / 51
Sharing factors (shareholder retention at RoE)	100% to 10.35% 50% above10.35%	100%	100% to 9.5% 50% to 10.5% 25% above 10.5%
Last / next rate case filing	Effective from January 2010	Effective from November 2010	Effective from February 2013

<sup>\*</sup> Includes Nantucket Electric. The rate bases includes transmission assets

<sup>\*\*</sup> Massachusetts Gas currently comprises two separate entities: Boston Gas and Colonial Gas. Bases allowed and achieved RoE's are weighted averages (using rate base)

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> Narragansett comprises two separate entities: Narragansett Gas and Narragansett Electric . Bases allowed and achieved RoE's are weighted averages (using rate base)

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#### **FERC Jurisdiction**

#### Regulated asset base ("Rate base") and returns

Rate bases are reported by regulatory entity as at 31 March 2015. Returns are those for the calendar year ended 31 December 2014

	New England Power	Narragansett Electric (Transmission)	Canadian Interconnector *	Long Island Generation **
Regulator	FERC	FERC	FERC	FERC
Rate base / RAV	\$1,380m	\$607m	\$16m	\$446m
Base allowed return	10.57%	10.57%	13.00%	10.00%
Baco anowou rotani	RoE	RoE	RoE	RoE
Achieved return	11.6%	12.1%	13.0%	10.5%
Equity / debt (assumed)	68 / 32	50 / 50	51 / 49	46 / 54
Sharing factors (shareholder retention at RoE)	100%	100%	100%	100%
Last / next rate case filing	Monthly formula rates	Monthly formula rates	Monthly formula rates	Effective from May 2013

<sup>•</sup> National Grid retains 100% of the return it earns on its stake of ~54% in the Canadian Interconnector

<sup>\*\*</sup> Long Island Generation rate base includes peaking plant

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#### **Value Added**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2015	2014 (constant currency)	Change
UK regulated assets	25,402	24,878	524
US regulated assets	11,591	10,988	603
Assets outside regulated assets	2,031	1,874	157
Regulated Financial Position	39,024	37,740	1,284
Other invested capital	1,562	1,721	(159)
Total group regulated and other assets	40,586	39,461	1,125
Goodwill	5,145	5,157	(12)
Net debt	(23,915)	(22,881)	(1,034)
Equity	21,816	21,737	79
Share buy-backs			335
Dividend paid during the year			1,271
Value Added			1,685
Value added per share (pence)			44.7

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#### **Group Return on Equity**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2015	2014	2013 (storm adjusted)	2013
Regulatory operating profit per ROCE	3,741	3,468	3,696	3,611
IFRS operating profit for non-regulated companies	199	131	62	11
Share of post tax results of JV's	46	28	18	18
Minority Interest	8	12	(1)	(1)
Treasury managed interest deduction	(945)	(1,055)	(1,057)	(1,057)
Group tax charge	(695)	(581)	(665)	(619)
Tax adjustment for ROCE adjustments and non treasury interest	(14)	73	44	44
Adjusted profit for RoE	2,340	2,076	2,097	2,007
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Opening capital employed	35,237	33,128	31,424	31,424
Non-regulated companies opening net book value Joint ventures	1,341 358	1,185 371	979 341	979 341
Opening Goodwill	4,856	5,028	4,776	4,776
Group enterprise value	41,792	39,712	37,520	37,520
Opening net debt	(21,974)	(21,429)	(19,597)	(19,597)
Group equity value	19,818	18,283	17,923	17,923

<sup>·</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### **Interest Cover**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2015	2014	2013
Interest expense (P&L)	1,069	1,144	1,154
Hybrid interest reclassified as dividend	(55)	(52)	(2)
Capitalised interest	86	148	122
Interest on pensions debt adjustment	53	40	60
Interest on decommissioning liabilities adjustment	1	1	1
Interest on lease rentals adjustment	32	34	36
Net pensions interest on net scheme liabilities	(101)	(128)	(135)
Unwinding of discounts on provisions	(73)	(73)	(75)
Adjusted interest expense	1,012	1,114	1,161
Net cash inflow from operating activities	5,007	4,019	3,750
Interest income on financial instruments	37	35	29
Interest paid on financial instruments	(978)	(901)	(792)
Dividends received	79	38	21
Working capital adjustment	(301)	59	410
add back excess employer pension contributions	237	228	248
add back Hybrid interest reclassified as dividend	55	52	2
add back lease rentals	65	68	73
Difference in net interest expense in income statement to cash flow	(4)	(189)	(273)
Difference in current tax in income statement to cash flow	47	88	170
add back current tax related to prior years	(64)	(97)	(239)
Adjusted funds from operations	4,180	3,400	3,399
Interest cover (adjusted funds from operations + adjusted interest expense)	5.1x	4.1x	3.9x

<sup>·</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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# RCF:Debt nationalgrid

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2015	2014	2013
Moody's			
Adjusted funds from operations (FFO)	4,180	3,400	3,399
Hybrid interest reclassified as dividend Dividends paid to shareholders	(55) (1,271)	(52) (1,059)	(2) (810)
RCF (headline)	2,854	2,289	2,587
Purchase of treasury shares	(338)	0	0
RCF (net of share buybacks)	2,516	2,289	2,587
Bank Overdrafts	3	15	23
Borrowings	25,907	25,935	28,072
Less			
50% hybrid debt	(948)	(1,030)	(1,030)
Cash & Cash Equivalents	(119)	(354)	(671)
Restricted cash	1	24	21
Available for sale investments	(1,232)	(2,689)	(4,442)
Underfunded pension obligations	1,675	1,276	1,906
Operating Leases Adjustment	588	612	654
Derivative asset removed from debt	(89)	(775)	(888)
Derivative liabilities added to debt	0	0	251
Currency swaps	453	(224)	(213)
Nuclear decommissioning liabilities reclassified as debt	22	17	12
Collateral - cash received under collateral agreements	(540)	(843)	(730)
Accrued Interest removed from ST debt	(230)	(239)	(250)
Adjusted Net Debt (includes pension deficit)	25,491	21,725	22,715
FFO/Adjusted Net Debt	16.4%	15.7%	15.0%
RCF (headline)/Adjusted Net Debt	11.2%	10.5%	11.4%
RCF (net of share buybacks)/Adjusted Net Debt	9.9%	10.5%	11.4%

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#### Weighted average number of shares

For year ended 31 March	2015	2014
Number of shares (millions):		
Prior period as reported (weighted average)	-	3,729
Current period opening shares	3,730	
Scrip dividend shares	37	37
Other share movements (weighted from issuance/repurchase)	(1)	-
Weighted average number of shares (restated)	3,766	3,766
Business performance earnings restated (£m)	2,189	2,015
Business performance EPS (restated)	58.1p	53.5p

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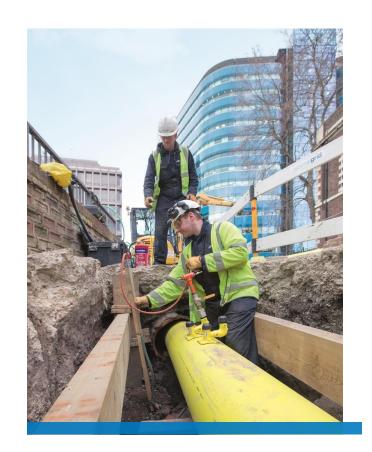
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**Introduction** Sir Peter Gershon

Highlights John Pettigrew

Financial review Andrew Bonfield

Priorities and outlook John Pettigrew



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# Introduction SIR PETER GERSHON CHAIRMAN

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## 2015/16 financial performance

OPERATING PROFIT £4.1 bn

RETURN ON EQUITY 12.3%

CAPITAL INVESTMENT £3.9bn

ASSET GROWTH\* 4%

EARNINGS PER SHARE 63.5p

DIVIDEND PER SHARE 43.34p

\* Regulatory asset base growth calculated at constant currency Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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# Safety and reliability

- One of the best years for safety performance
- UK performance once again excellent
- Double-digit improvement in key US safety measures
- Networks demonstrated strong reliability



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# 2015/16 UK performance review

#### UK

- Continued strong performance
- £330m+ in savings generated for customers through three years of RIIO
- Other activities outperformed
- Regulatory update
- Gas Distribution process on track

RIIO mid-period review

Onshore competition

Future System Operator role

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# 2015/16 US performance review

#### US

- Returns in line with expectations
- Step-up in capital investment
- Good progress with rate case filings



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Financial performance

ANDREW BONFIELD FINANCE DIRECTOR



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### Financial highlights

**OPERATING PROFIT** 

£4.1bn

FY15 **£3.9bn** 

VALUE ADDED

£1.8bn

FY15 £1.7bn

**EPS** 

63.5p

FY15 **57.6p\*\*** 

**ASSET GROWTH\*** 

4%

FY15 3%

**RETURN ON EQUITY** 

12.3%

FY15 **11.8%** 

DIVIDEND

43.34p

FY15 **42.87p** 

Operating profit and value added calculated at constant currency Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

<sup>\*</sup> Regulatory asset base growth calculated at constant currency

<sup>\*\*</sup> EPS restated for the impact of scrip issuances

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#### **UK Electricity Transmission**







Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

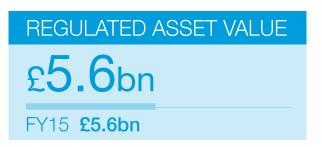
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#### **UK Gas Transmission**







Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### **UK Gas Distribution**







Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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### **US** Regulated







Operating profit calculated at constant currency Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

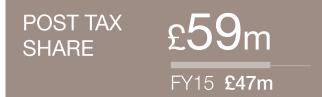
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#### Other Activities & JVs









<sup>\*</sup> Excludes £63m equity contribution to St. William property joint venture Operating profit and investment calculated at constant currency Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### Interest, tax and earnings

FINANCE COSTS
£1,013m
6% lower than 2015

- Effective interest rate of 3.8%
- Innovative financing at low interest rates

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements Finance costs are calculated at constant currency EFFECTIVE TAX RATE
24.0%
at £(753)m

- Tax rate 20bps lower than 2015
- Tax charge £58m higher than 2015

**EARNINGS** 

£2,386m

FY15 £2,189m

- 3,755m weighted average shares
- 63.5p/share

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#### Cash flow and net debt

£m	
Period ended 31 March 2016	
Operating profit	4,096
Depreciation & amortisation	1,614
Pensions	(327)
Working capital & other	339
Net operating cash flow	5,722
Net debt	(25,325)
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RCF / NET DEBT 11.5%

FFO/NET DEBT 16.7%

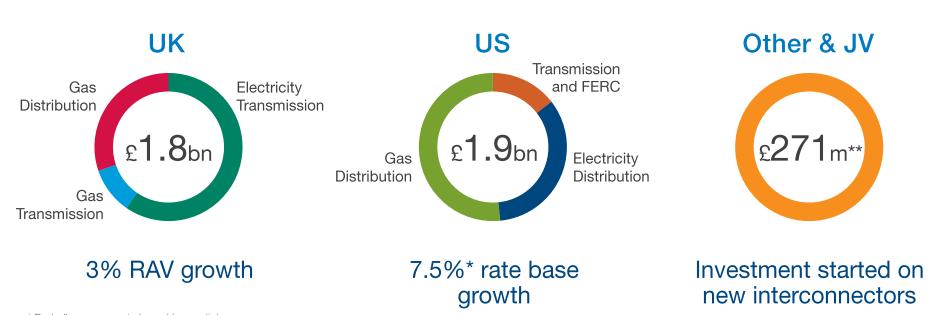
INTEREST COVER 5.5x

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements Credit metrics reported using Moody's methodology

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# Growth through balanced investments



<sup>\*</sup> Excluding movements in working capital

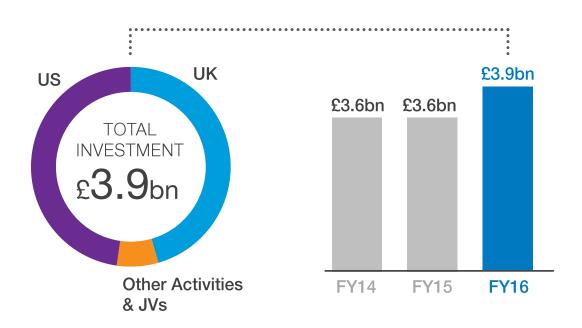
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**<sup>19 2015/16</sup> FULL YEAR RESULTS** MAY 2016

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#### Sustained investment



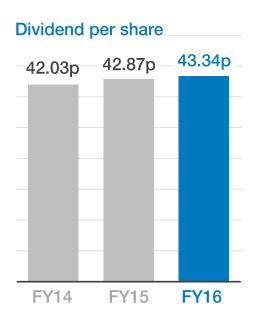
- Expect to sustain this level of investment over the coming years
- Targeting asset growth of 5-7%\*

<sup>\*</sup> Assuming 3% UK RPI inflation At constant currency

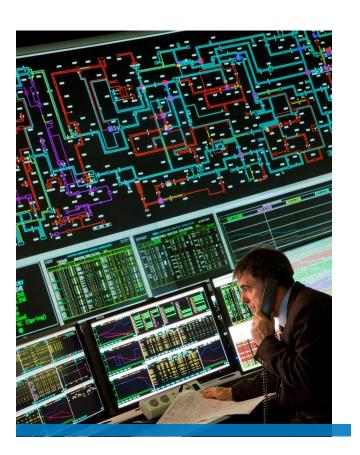
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#### Dividend and scrip



- Proposed dividend increase of 1.1% in line with UK RPI
- Scrip option to continue



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# Value Added supporting long-term returns







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= VALUE ADDED £1.8bn
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Net asset growth and growth in net debt are calculated at constant currency

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### Technical guidance

- UK Regulated operations expected to deliver outperformance of 200-300bps
  - Gas Transmission impacted by expected reduction in legacy incentives
- US returns maintained, ahead of new rates
- Other activities impacted by non-recurrence of one-time gain on Iroquois and lower interconnector income
- Consistent tax rate and marginally higher finance costs

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#### **Summary**

**OPERATING PROFIT** 

£4.1bn

**EPS** 

63.5p

**RETURN ON EQUITY** 

12.3%

VALUE ADDED

£1.8bn

**ASSET GROWTH\*** 

4%

DIVIDEND

43.34p

<sup>\*</sup> Regulated asset base growth calculated at constant currency Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements Value added is calculated at constant currency

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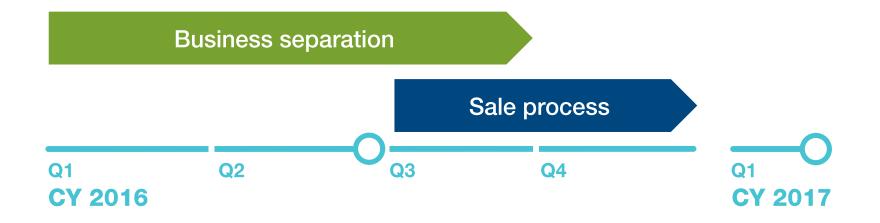
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### UK Gas Distribution – sale of majority holding



Reshape the portfolio towards higher growth while delivering returns to shareholders and maintaining the dividend policy

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### Major regulatory filings

#### **NEW YORK**

#### **KEDNY/KEDLI** (filed January 2016)

- Requested revenue increases of \$245m / \$142m
- Discovery phase
- New rates effective January 2017

#### Niagara Mohawk (filed December 2015)

\$1.4bn capex petition for 2017-2018

#### **MASSACHUSETTS**

#### MA Electric (filed November 2015)

- Requested revenue increase of \$143m
- Discovery phase complete; Hearing Process underway
- New rates effective October 2016.

#### **FUTURE FILINGS**

- MA Gas 2017
- Niagara Mohawk 2017

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### **Summary**

- Strong business, demonstrated by consistent performance
- Gas Distribution process on track
- Progress on US rate filings
- Good growth opportunities
- Well positioned for the long-term in an evolving industry



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#### **UK Electricity Transmission**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2016	2015
Revenue	3,977	3,754
Pass through costs	(2,030)	(1,821)
Net revenue <sup>1</sup>	1,947	1,933
Depreciation & amortisation	(390)	(376)
Regulated controllable costs	(311)	(283)
Pensions	(40)	(36)
Other costs	(33)	(1)
Total UK Electricity Transmission operating profit <sup>2</sup>	1,173	1,237

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Net revenue includes BSIS performance of £27m in 2016 (2015: £23m)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Operating profit includes a contribution from other electricity services of £7m (2015: £9m)

At actual currency

<sup>·</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### **UK Gas Transmission**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2016	2015
Revenue	1,047	1,022
Pass through costs	(221)	(242)
Net revenue	826	780
Depreciation & amortisation	(178)	(172)
Regulated controllable costs	(135)	(125)
Pensions	(18)	(18)
Other costs	(9)	(28)
Total UK Gas Transmission operating profit <sup>1</sup>	486	437

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Operating profit includes a profit from LNG Storage of £8m in 2016 (2015: loss £2m)

At actual currency

<sup>·</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### **UK Gas Distribution**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2016	2015
Revenue	1,918	1,867
Pass through costs	(352)	(363)
Net revenue	1,566	1,504
Depreciation & amortisation	(298)	(286)
Regulated controllable costs	(374)	(353)
Pensions	(39)	(36)
Other costs / contributions released	23	(3)
Total UK Gas Distribution operating profit	878	826

At actual currency

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### **US** Regulated

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2016	2015
Revenue	7,493	8,544
Pass through costs	(3,154)	(4,181)
Net revenue	4,339	4,363
Depreciation & amortisation	(535)	(484)
Regulated controllable costs	(1,453)	(1,524)
Pensions	(96)	(81)
Bad debt	(132)	(127)
Other costs	(938)	(902)
Total US Regulated operating profit	1,185	1,245

At constant currency

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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### Metering, Grain LNG, French Interconnector and Property

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2016	2015
Revenue	301	309
Depreciation & amortisation	(79)	(82)
Operating costs (excluding depreciation & amortisation)	(60)	(67)
Metering operating profit	162	160
Revenue	199	198
Depreciation & amortisation	(59)	(55)
Operating costs (excluding depreciation & amortisation)	(68)	(71)
Grain LNG operating profit	72	72
Revenue	145	124
Depreciation & amortisation	(5)	(4)
Operating costs (excluding depreciation & amortisation)	(17)	(17)
Interconnector operating profit	123	103
Revenue	68	43
Depreciation & amortisation	(1)	(1)
Operating costs (excluding depreciation & amortisation)	(11)	(14)
Property operating profit	56	28

At actual currency

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### **Exchange rates**

For the year ended 31 March	2016	2015
Closing \$ / £ rate	1.44	1.49
Average \$ / £ rate for the period	1.47	1.58
For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2016	
Impact on operating profit <sup>1</sup>	73	
Impact on interest <sup>1</sup>	(44)	
Impact on tax, JVs and minority interests <sup>1</sup>	(5)	
Net impact on earnings <sup>1</sup>	24	
Impact on net debt <sup>2</sup>	(501)	
Impact on book value of assets <sup>2</sup>	556	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Currency impact calculated by applying the average March 2016 rate to 2015 results

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Currency impact calculated by applying the closing March 2016 rate to March 2015 balances

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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## Pensions & other post-retirement benefit obligations (IAS 19 data)

	U	IK	U	IS	
At 31 March 2016 (£m)	ESPS	NGUK PS	Pensions	OPEBs <sup>1</sup>	Total
Market value of assets	2,556	16,845	5,136	1,897	26,434
Present value of liabilities	(2,826)	(16,590)	(6,145)	(3,458)	(29,019)
Net (liability) / asset	(270)	255	(1,009)	(1,561)	(2,585)
Taxation	49	(46)	406	629	1,038
(Liability) / asset net of taxation	(221)	209	(603)	(932)	(1,547)
Discount rates	3.3%	3.3%	4.3%	4.3%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> OPEBs = other post employment benefits

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#### **Timing impacts**

	UK Electricity Transmission	UK Gas Transmission	UK Gas Distribution	US Regulated	Total
2015/16 Opening balance	(164)	(29)	16	159	(18)
2015/16 Opening balance restatement adjustm	nent (12)	-	4	49	41
2015/16 over/(under) recovery	5	67	26	(73)	25
2015/16 Closing balance	(171)	38	46	135	48
2014/15 Opening balance	(75)	(11)	3	127	44
2014/15 over/(under) recovery	(89)	(18)	13	32	(62)
2014/15 Closing balance	(164)	(29)	16	159	(18)
Year on year timing variance	94	85	13	(105)	87

<sup>• 2015/16</sup> opening balance restatement reflects finalisation of timing balances

<sup>•</sup> All USD balances stated using the average 2016 rate (\$1.47 to £1.00)

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#### **UK Transmission and UK Gas Distribution**

Regulated asset values ('RAV') and returns

	UK Electricity Transmission	UK Gas Transmission	UK Gas Distribution
Regulator	Ofgem	Ofgem	Ofgem
RAV	£11,830m	£5,594m	£8,676m
Base allowed real return (assumed CoD 2.55%)	4.33% ('vanilla' WACC)	4.14% ('vanilla' WACC)	4.00% ('vanilla' WACC)
Allowed RoE (nominal)	10.2%	10.0%	9.9%
Achieved RoE (nominal)	13.9%	12.5%	13.0%
Equity / debt (assumed)	40 / 60	37.5 / 62.5	35 / 65
Sharing factors (shareholder retention at RoE)	46.9% plus incentive schemes	44.4% plus incentive schemes	63.0% plus incentive schemes
Base allowed real return (assumed CoD 2.38%)	from April 2016 4.23%	from April 2016 4.04%	from April 2016 3.89%

<sup>•</sup> CoD = Cost of Debt

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#### **New York Jurisdiction**

Regulated asset base ('Rate base') and returns

Rate bases are reported by regulatory entity at 31 March 2016 Returns are those for the calendar year end 31 December 2015	Long Island	Downstate New York (KEDNY)	Upstate New York (NMPC Gas)	Upstate New York (NMPC Electric)
Regulator	New York PSC	New York PSC	New York PSC	New York PSC
Rate base	\$2,176m	\$2,525m	\$1,160m	\$4,621m
Base allowed return	9.80% (RoE)	9.40% (RoE)	9.30% (RoE)	9.30% (RoE)
Achieved return	7.3%	7.1%	8.4%	8.1%
Equity / debt (assumed)	45 / 55	48 / 52	48 / 52	48 / 52
Sharing factors (shareholder retention at RoE)	100% to 10.5% 50% to 12.5% 35% to 13.5% 0% above 13.5%	20% above 9.4%	50% to 10.3% 25% to 11.3% 10% above 11.3%	50% to 10.3% 25% to 11.3% 10% above 11.3%
Last / next rate case filing	Filed on 29 January 2016 New rates effective 1 January 2017	Filed on 29 January 2016 New rates effective 1 January 2017	Rate extension filed on 15 December 2015	Rate extension filed on 15 December 2015

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#### Massachusetts and Rhode Island Jurisdiction

Regulated asset base ('Rate base') and returns

Rate bases are reported by regulatory enti- at 31 March 2016 Returns are those for the calendar year end 31 December 2015	Massachusetts	Massachusetts Gas <sup>2</sup>	Narragansett Distribution (Electric and Gas) <sup>3</sup>
Regulator	Massachusetts DPU	Massachusetts DPU	Rhode Island PUC
Rate base	\$2,156m	\$1,945m	\$1,234m
Base allowed return	10.35% (RoE)	9.75% (RoE)	9.50% (RoE)
Achieved return	3.4%	8.4%	10.2%
Equity / debt (assumed)	50 / 50	50 / 50	49 / 51
Sharing factors (shareholder retention at RoE)	100% to 10.35% 50% above 10.35%	100%	100% to 9.5% 50% to 10.5% 25% above 10.5%
Last / next rate case filing	Filed on 6 November 2015	Effective from	Effective from
	New rates effective 1 October 2016	November 2010	February 2013

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes Nantucket Electric. The rate bases includes transmission assets

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Massachusetts Gas currently comprises two separate entities: Boston Gas and Colonial Gas. Base allowed and achieved RoE's are weighted averages (using rate base)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Narragansett comprises two separate entities: Narragansett Gas and Narragansett Electric. Base allowed and achieved RoE's are weighted averages (using rate base)

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### **FERC Jurisdiction**

### Regulated asset base ('Rate base') and returns

Rate bases are reported by regulatory entity as at 31 March 2016 Returns are those for the calendar year ended 31 December 2015	New England Power	Narragansett Electric (Transmission)	Canadian Interconnector <sup>1</sup>	Long Island Generation <sup>2</sup>
Regulator	FERC	FERC	FERC	FERC
Rate base	\$1,405m	\$608m	\$11m	\$420m
Base allowed return	10.57% (RoE)	10.57% (RoE)	13.00% (RoE)	9.90% (RoE)
Achieved return	11.0%	11.2%	13.0%	12.5%
Equity / debt (assumed)	64 / 36	50 / 50	72 / 28	46 / 54
Sharing factors (shareholder retention at RoE)	100%	100%	100%	100%
Last / next rate case filing	Monthly formula rates	Monthly formula rates	Monthly formula rates	Effective from May 2013

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> National Grid retains 100% of the return it earns on its stake of ~54% in the Canadian Interconnector

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Long Island Generation rate base includes peaking plant

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### Value Added

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2016	2015 (constant currency)	change
UK RAV	26,100	25,323 <sup>1</sup>	777
US rate base	12,703	11,974	729
Other regulated assets	1,291	2,068 <sup>1</sup>	(777)
Regulated Financial Position	40,094	39,365	729
Other invested capital	1,903	1,540	363
Total group regulated and other assets	41,997	40,905	1,092
Goodwill	5,315	5,315	-
Net debt	(25,325)	(24,416)	(909)
Equity	21,987	21,804	183
Share buy-backs			267
Dividend paid during the year			1,337
Value Added			1,787
Value Added per share (pence)			47.6p

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> UK restated for opening balance adjustments following Regulatory Reporting Pack process in 2015

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### **Group Return on Equity**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2016	2015	2014
Regulated financial performance	3,663	3,741	3,468
IFRS operating profit for non-regulated companies	374	199	131
Share of post tax results of joint ventures	59	46	28
Non-controlling interest	(3)	8	12
Treasury managed interest	(922)	(945)	(1,055)
Group tax charge	(753)	(695)	(581)
Tax on adjustments	4	(14)	73
Adjusted Group profit after tax for RoE	2,422	2,340	2,076
Opening rate base/RAV	36,998	35,237	33,128
Non-regulated companies' opening net book value	1,213	1,341	1,185
Joint ventures	319	358	371
Opening goodwill	5,182	4,856	5,028
Opening capital employed	43,712	41,792	39,712
Opening net debt	(24,024)	(21,974)	(21,429)
Group equity value	19,688	19,818	18,283
Group RoE – nominal (adjusted group profit after tax / group equity value	e) 12.3%	11.8%	11.4%

<sup>•</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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### Weighted average number of shares

For the year ended 31 March	2016	2015
Number of shares (millions):		
Prior period as reported (weighted average)	-	3,766
Current period opening shares	3,739	
Scrip dividend shares	32	32
Other share movements (weighted from issuance/repurchase)	(16)	-
Weighted average number of shares (restated)	3,755	3,798
Business performance earnings (£m)	2,386	2,189
Business performance EPS (restated)	63.5p	57.6p

<sup>•</sup> Business performance, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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### **Interest Cover**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2016	2015	2014
Interest expense (P&L)	1,035	1,069	1,144
Hybrid interest reclassified as dividend	(49)	(55)	(52)
Capitalised interest	112	86	148
Pensions interest adjustment	(60)	(48)	(88)
Interest on decommissioning liabilities adjustment	1	1	1
Interest on lease rentals adjustment	17	32	34
Unwinding of discounts on provisions	(73)	(73)	(73)
Adjusted interest expense	983	1,012	1,114
Net cash inflow from operating activities	5,368	5,007	4,019
Interest income on financial instruments	23	37	35
Interest paid on financial instruments	(834)	(826)	(901)
Dividends received	72	79	38
Working capital adjustment	(456)	(301)	59
add back excess employer pension contributions	301	237	228
add back Hybrid interest reclassified as dividend	49	55	52
add back lease rentals	77	65	68
Difference in net interest expense in income statement to cash flow	(129)	(156)	(189)
Difference in current tax in income statement to cash flow	(42)	47	88
add back current tax related to prior years	(26)	(64)	(97)
Adjusted funds from operations	4,403	4,180	3,400
Interest cover (adjusted funds from operations + adjusted interest expense / adjusted interest expense)	5.5x	5.1x	4.1x

<sup>•</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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### **RCF:Debt**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2016	2015	2014
Adjusted funds from operations (FFO)	4,403	4,180	3,400
Hybrid interest reclassified as dividend	(49)	(55)	(52)
Dividends paid to shareholders	(1,337)	(1,271)	(1,059)
RCF (headline)	3,017	2,854	2,289
Purchase of treasury shares	(267)	(338)	0
RCF (net of share buybacks)	2,750	2,516	2,289
Bank Overdrafts	3	3	15
Borrowings	28,341	25,907	25,935
Less			
50% hybrid debt	(995)	(948)	(1,030)
Cash & Cash Equivalents	(127)	(119)	(354)
Restricted cash	2	1	24
Available for sale investments	(1,951)	(1,232)	(2,689)
Underfunded pension obligations	1,434	1,675	1,276
Operating leases adjustment	544	588	612
Derivative asset removed from debt	(183)	(89)	(775)
Currency swaps	55	453	(224)
Nuclear decommissioning liabilities reclassified as debt	38	22	17
Collateral - cash received under collateral agreements	(610)	(540)	(843)
Accrued interest removed from ST debt	(243)	(230)	(239)
Adjusted Net Debt (includes pension deficit)	26,308	25,491	21,725
FFO/Adjusted Net Debt	16.7%	16.4%	15.7%
RCF (headline)/Adjusted Net Debt	11.5%	11.2%	10.5%
RCF (net of share buybacks)/Adjusted Net Debt	10.5%	9.9%	10.5%

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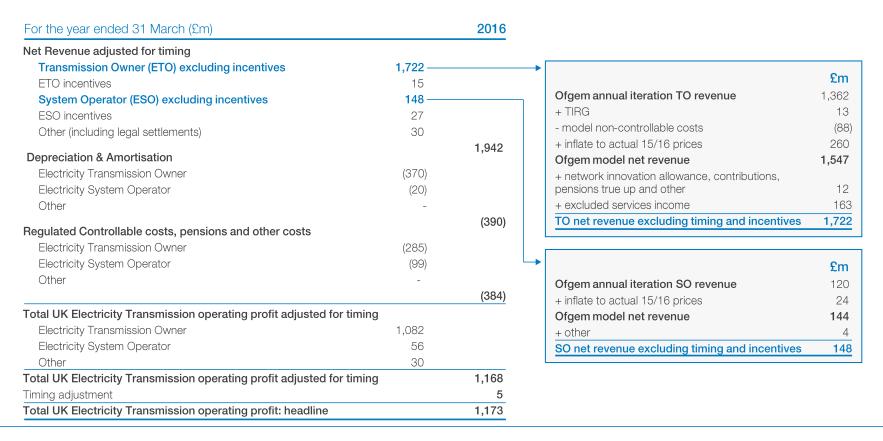
### **UK Electricity Transmission net revenue**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)		2016		
Revenue		3,977		
Net timing adjustment Pass through costs		(5)		£m
Revenue collected on behalf of others BSIS costs Electricity Transmission Owner (ETO) pass through costs Electricity System Operator (ESO) pass through costs	(971) (907) (120) (32)	(2,030)	Incentives (excluding totex), true ups (non-controllable costs, pensions etc.) and revenue over/under recoveries  Deferred for future recovery/(return): Incentives  True ups	15 (31)
Net revenue adjusted for timing		1,942	Revenue under/(over) recovery (Collection)/return of prior year deferrals  Net timing adjustment	95 (84) <b>(5)</b>

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### **UK Electricity Transmission operating profit**



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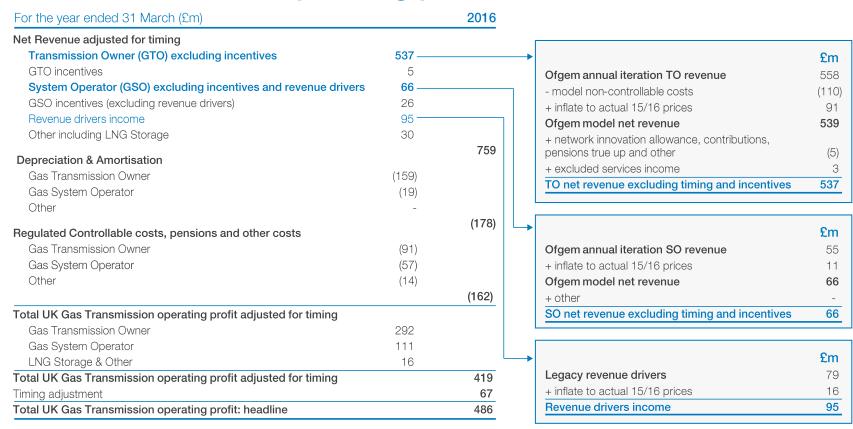
### **UK Gas Transmission net revenue**

For the year ended 31 March (£m)		2016		
Revenue		1,047		
Net timing adjustment		(67)	•	£m
Pass through costs  Revenue collected on behalf of others  Gas Transmission Owner (GTO) pass through costs	(28) (123)		Incentives (excluding totex), true ups (non-controllable costs, pensions etc.) and revenue over/under recoveries  Deferred for future recovery/(return):	
Gas System Operator (GSO) pass through costs	(70)	(221)	Incentives True ups	31 (19)
Net revenue adjusted for timing		759	Revenue under/(over) recovery	(71)
			(Collection)/return of prior year deferrals	(8)
			Net timing adjustment	(67)

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### **UK Gas Transmission operating profit**



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### UK Gas Distribution net revenue and operating profit

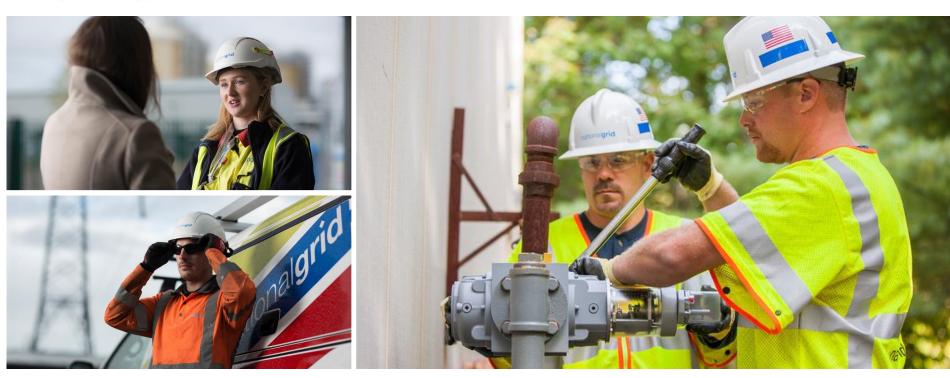
For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2016			
Revenue	1,918	•		
Net timing adjustment	(26) —	<b></b>		
Pass through costs	(352)			£m
Net revenue adjusted for timing	1,540		ntives (excluding totex), true ups (non-controllable c ions etc.) and revenue over/under recoveries	osts,
		-	red for future recovery/(return):	
		Incer		41
		True	ups	(61)
For the year anded Of March (Cro)	0016	Reve	nue under/(over) recovery	(9)
For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2016	(Colle	ection)/return of prior year deferrals	3
Net revenue adjusted for timing		Net 1	iming adjustment	(26)
Net revenue excluding incentives	1,499 ———			
Incentives	41			
	1,540			£m
Depreciation & Amortisation	(298)	Ofge	m annual iteration revenue	1,500
Regulated Controllable costs, pensions and other costs	(390)		del non-controllable costs	(266)
Total UK Gas Distribution operating profit adjusted for timing	_	+ infl	ate to actual 15/16 prices	250
Timing adjustment	26	- Ofge	m model net revenue	1,484
Total UK Gas Distribution operating profit: headline	878		work innovation allowance, contributions,	ŕ
			ions true up and other	9
		+ exc	cluded services income	6
		Net	evenue excluding timing and incentives	1,499

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## Agenda

Highlights John Pettigrew

Financial review Andrew Bonfield

Priorities and outlook John Pettigrew



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Highlights

JOHN PETTIGREW
CHIEF EXECUTIVE



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### Safety remains core to National Grid

- Safety plans across the Group to improve performance
- Safety is embedded in our culture
- Lost time injury frequency rate of 0.09



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### FY 2016/17 financial performance

OPERATING PROFIT Excluding Timing

£4.3bn

FY16 £4.1bn

**DIVIDEND PER SHARE** 

44.27p

FY16 **43.34p** 

EARNINGS PER SHARE Excluding Timing

66.1p

FY16 **62.3p** 

CAPITAL INVESTMENT

£4.5bn

FY16 £3.9bn

Total performance, including results from UK Gas Distribution
Capital investment includes investment in JVs (excluding equity contributions to St William property JV)
Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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## Strong reliability across networks

- Strong reliability in the UK
- US reliability performance reflects increased investment
- Storm response stands up to challenging weather





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## Successfully delivering on key priorities







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# Successful completion of UK Gas Distribution sale

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- Large, complex transaction
- Premium valuation secured to realise value for shareholders
- Returning £4bn to shareholders
- Potential to secure further value in the future through 14% option
- Portfolio rebalanced towards higher growth



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# US rate filings supporting improved performance

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- Three rate filings successfully completed
- Increased levels of funded investment drive strong US growth
- New rates for ~40% of rate base start to support improved performance
  - Achieved US RoE of 8.2%



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## Outperformance in the UK

- £460m in customer savings generated under RIIO through efficiency and innovation
- Strong operational performance drives outperformance above base return
  - 300 basis points
- Mid-period review complete
- Further clarity on System Operator role



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Financial performance

ANDREW BONFIELD
FINANCE DIRECTOR



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### Financial highlights

**OPERATING PROFIT** 

£4.7bn

FY16 **£4.3bn** 

**RETURN ON EQUITY** 

11.7%

FY16 12.3%

**EARNINGS PER SHARE** 

73.0p

FY16 **63.2p**\*

**ASSET GROWTH\*\*** 

5%

FY164%

**CAPITAL INVESTMENT** 

£4.5bn

FY16 £4.2bn

**VALUE ADDED** 

£1.9bn

FY16 £1.8bn

Capital investment includes investment in joint ventures and associates (excluding equity contributions to St William property JV)

Operating profit and capital investment presented at constant currency

Adjusted results, for combined business excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

<sup>\*</sup>EPS restated for the impact of scrip issuances

<sup>\*\*</sup> Regulated asset base growth calculated at constant currency

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## **UK Electricity Transmission**

10.2% + 190bps + 70bps Other incentives + 80bps Additional allowances = ACHIEVED RETURN 13.6% FY16 13.9%

**£1.4bn** +17% FY16 £1.2bn

£1.0bn
FY16 £1.1bn

£12.5bn
FY16 £11.8bn

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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### **UK Gas Transmission**

**2511m** +5% FY16 £486m

£214m
FY16 £186m

£5.8bn
FY16 £5.6bn

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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### **UK Gas Distribution**

9.9%
Base return

+ 280bps + 120bps Other incentives

+ 10bps Additional allowances

FY16 13.0%

**EXAMPLE 2878m** PROFIT **£878m** +2%

£558m
FY16 £549m

£9.0bn

FY16 £8.7bn

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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### **US** Regulated

**£1.7bn** +25% FY16 **£1.4bn** 

\$2.9bn
FY16 \$2.7bn

**\$19.3bn**FY16 \$18.3bn

Operating profit calculated at constant currency
Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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### Other Activities & JVs

OTHER ACTIVITIES

£161m

£74m
Grain LNG

£72m

£65m

Property

OPERATING PROFIT

£173m

**JVs** 

£53m

BritNed

Metering

£15<sub>m</sub>
Millennium

£(5)m

Other

IFA

POST TAX SHARE **£63**m FY16 **£61**m

TOTAL INVESTMENT

£404m\*

OTHER COSTS
INCREASE
YEAR ON YEAR

(included in operating profit)

OSTS £100m

Operating profit, share of joint venture profit after tax and investment calculated at constant currency Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

**18 2016/17 Full Year Results** May 2017

<sup>\*</sup> Excludes investment in St. William JV

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### Interest, tax and earnings

FINANCE costs
£1,175m
6% higher than 2016

- Effective interest rate of 3.9%
- Higher average net debt and RPI

EFFECTIVE TAX RATE

22.7%

at £(808)m

- Tax rate 130bps lower than 2016
- Tax charge £55m higher than 2016

**EARNINGS** 

£2,748m

PY £2,386m

- 3,763m weighted average shares
- 73p/share

Finance costs are calculated at constant currency

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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### Cash flow and Net debt

£m Year ended 31 March 2017	
Operating profit	4,667
Depreciation & amortisation	1,698
Pensions	(801)
Working capital & other	50
Net operating cash flow	5,614
Net debt	(19,274)

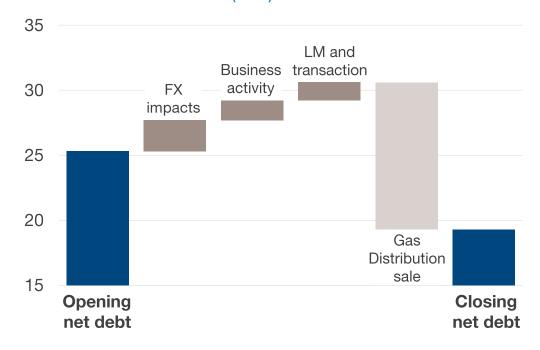
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### Closing net debt

- + £5.3bn from weaker sterling, normal business activity, liability management and transaction costs
- £11.3bn from Gas Distribution deconsolidation and gross proceeds
- Net proceeds of £4bn to be returned in FY18

#### Movement in net debt (£bn)



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### Cash flow and Net debt

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Operating profit	4,667
£m Year ended 31 March 2017	

15.8%	EXCL. SALE IMPACT 11.1%
FFO / NET DEBT <b>23.3</b> %	EXCL. SALE IMPACT 16.1%
interest cover <b>5.0</b> <sub>x</sub>	EXCL. SALE IMPACT  5.1 <sub>x</sub>

Credit metrics reported using Moody's methodology Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

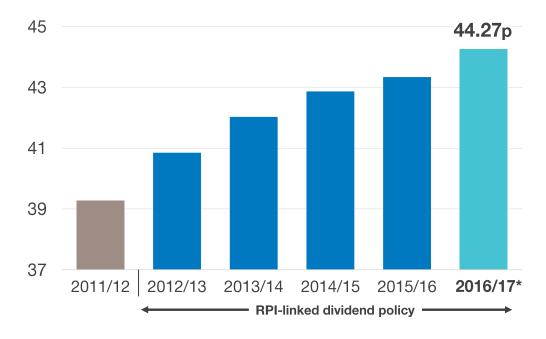
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## Dividend and scrip

- Proposed dividend increase of 2.1% in line with UK RPI
- Scrip option to continue
- Continue to manage dilution

#### **Dividend per share** (p)



<sup>\*</sup> Excludes special dividend of 84.375p

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## Value Added supporting long-term returns

NET ASSET GROWTH

£1.7bn

SHARE BUYBACKS

£1.7bn

GROWTH IN NET DEBT

£(1.5)bn

**VALUE ADDED** 

**DIVIDEND PAID &** 

**£1.9**bn 51.6p per share

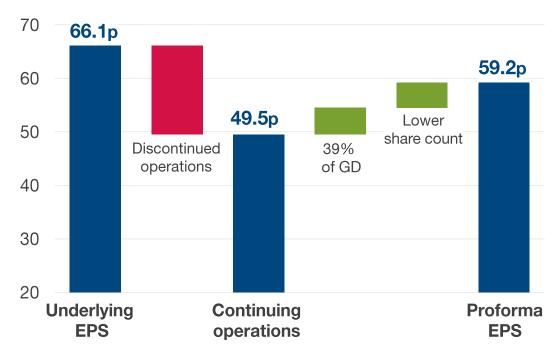
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## **FY17** Continuing operations

- Continuing operations excludes Gas Distribution earnings
- FY17 Gas Distribution associate profit after tax proforma contribution of 5.0p
- Lower weighted average number of shares proforma contribution of 4.7p

### **FY17 Proforma EPS excluding timing**



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#### Technical guidance - Continuing operations

#### **UK Regulated:**

- Lower base allowed revenue and increased MOD adjustments in ET
- Expected to deliver outperformance of 200-300bps
- Timing inflows substantially lower

#### **US Regulated:**

- Performance expected to improve and targeting 90% of allowed RoE
- Timing expected to begin to reverse

#### Other activities and Ventures

Overall contribution expected to increase

#### **Net debt**

 Expected to increase as proceeds from Gas Distribution sale are returned

#### **Interest charge**

Expected to increase slightly

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#### Summary – Continuing operations

- Strong financial performance
- Increasing capital investment
- Financial position robust

**OPERATING PROFIT** 

£3.8bn

**CAPITAL INVESTMENT** 

£3.9bn

PROFORMA EPS\*

59.2p

**DIVIDEND PER SHARE** 

44.27p

**DIVIDEND POLICY:** 

Growth at least in line with RPI

<sup>\*</sup> Continuing operations proforma EPS excluding timing
Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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Priorities & Outlook

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#### Building a strong foundation for the future

Our **Purpose** 

Bring Energy to Life

Our **Vision** 

We will exceed the expectations of our customers, shareholders, and communities today and make possible the energy systems of tomorrow

Our **Values** 

Every day we... do the right thing and find a better way



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#### Clear strategic focus



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#### Customer first

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### Responding to customer needs

#### Affordability is at the top of the agenda

- Ongoing savings achieved for UK customers
- Voluntary deferral of RIIO T1 allowances
- Sharing the success of the Gas Distribution sale
- Proposing solutions to phase in US bill increases



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#### Performance optimisation

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# Outperformance through efficient delivery

- Strong asset management
- Technological innovations
- Strategic procurement initiatives
- Focus on environmental impact
- Best practice construction techniques

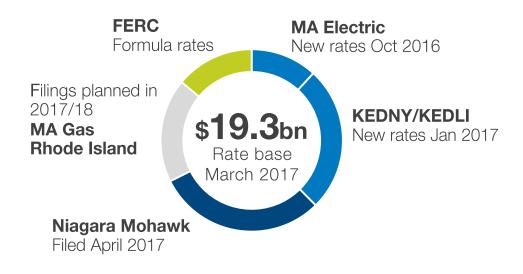


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Performance optimisation

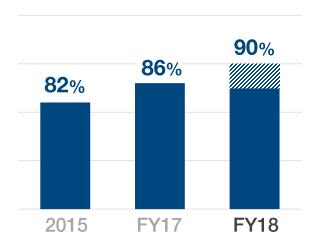
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#### Improving returns performance



 ~70% of US rate base to be operating under new rates by April 2018

#### Achieved RoE as % of allowed returns



Targeting 90% of allowed returns in FY18

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Growth

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#### Maintaining investment levels under RIIO

- Investment in second-half of RIIO comparable to first-half
- ET spend driven by non-load related investments
- GT investment expected to increase to support asset health
- Early preparation for RIIO T2 started

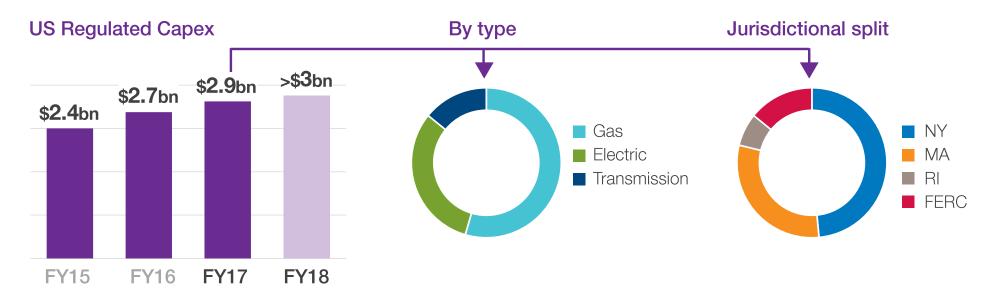
# 1,500 1,000 FY14 FY15 FY16 FY17 Gas Transmission Electricity Transmission

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Growth

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#### Delivering high-quality, organic growth



- Increased capital investment funded through rate agreements
- 7% organic growth rate expected in the medium-term

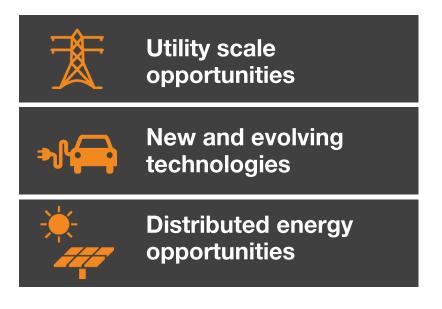
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#### Evolve for the future

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#### **National Grid Ventures**

- New division to enhance value through investing in closely-linked businesses
  - Interconnectors, Metering, Grain LNG
  - Business development and strategy
- Currently a small asset base but with high cash returns
- Attractive IRRs with regulatory underpinning



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#### Evolve for the future

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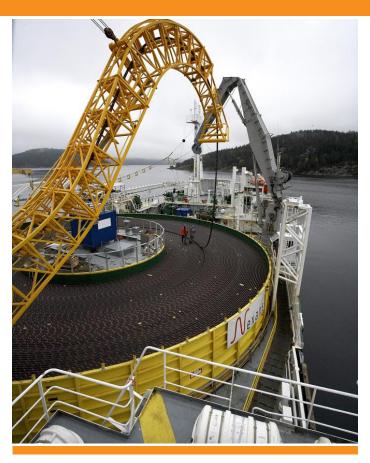
## Progress on committed capex and new projects

#### **Projects under construction**

- Nemo Link to Belgium on track for commissioning in 2019
- North Sea Link to Norway on track for commissioning in late 2021

#### **Progressing on development pipeline**

- Final investment decision on IFA 2
- Partnership formed with Sunrun



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#### Summary

#### A strong portfolio for the future

- UK well positioned to deliver
- US on track to improve returns
- Attractive cash returns and further growth through NG Ventures
- Portfolio shaped to deliver attractive long-term growth and yield
- Underpinned by a robust balance sheet and strong financial discipline

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#### Appendix 1

UK Electricity Transmission operating profit

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	2016
Revenue	4,439	3,977
Pass through costs	(2,293)	(2,030)
Net revenue <sup>1</sup>	2,146	1,947
Depreciation & amortisation	(421)	(390)
Regulated controllable costs	(286)	(311)
Pensions	(43)	(40)
Other costs	(24)	(33)
Total UK Electricity Transmission operating profit <sup>2</sup>	1,372	1,173

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Net revenue includes BSIS performance of £28m in 2017 (2016: £27m)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Operating profit includes a contribution from other electricity services of £11m (2016: £7m)

At actual currency

<sup>•</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### Appendix 2

UK Gas Transmission operating profit

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	2016
Revenue	1,080	1,047
Pass through costs	(223)	(221)
Net revenue	857	826
Depreciation & amortisation	(186)	(178)
Regulated controllable costs	(137)	(135)
Pensions	(19)	(18)
Other costs	(4)	(9)
Total UK Gas Transmission operating profit	511	486

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Operating profit includes a profit from LNG Storage of £10m in 2017 (2016: profit of £8m)

At actual currency

<sup>·</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### Appendix 3

UK Gas Distribution operating profit

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	2016
Revenue	1,882	1,918
Pass through costs	(350)	(352)
Net revenue	1,532	1,566
Depreciation & amortisation	(214)	(298)
Regulated controllable costs	(387)	(374)
Pensions	(42)	(39)
Other costs / contributions released	9	23
Total UK Gas Distribution operating profit	898	878

At actual currency

<sup>•</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### Appendix 4

US Regulated operating profit

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	2016
Revenue	8,931	8,653
Pass through costs	(3,411)	(3,642)
Net revenue	5,520	5,011
Depreciation & amortisation	(642)	(618)
Regulated controllable costs	(1,830)	(1,678)
Pensions	(104)	(111)
Bad debt	(120)	(152)
Other costs	(1,111)	(1,083)
Total US Regulated operating profit	1,713	1,369

At constant currency

<sup>•</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### Appendix 5

Metering, Grain LNG, French interconnector and Property operating profit

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	2016
Revenue	290	301
Depreciation & amortisation	(72)	(79)
Operating costs (excluding depreciation & amortisation)	(57)	(60)
Metering operating profit	161	162
Revenue	205	199
Depreciation & amortisation	(65)	(59)
Operating costs (excluding depreciation & amortisation)	(66)	(68)
Grain LNG operating profit	74	72
Revenue	93	145
Depreciation & amortisation	(5)	(5)
Operating costs (excluding depreciation & amortisation)	(16)	(17)
French interconnector operating profit	72	123
Revenue	85	68
Depreciation & amortisation	(1)	(1)
Operating costs (excluding depreciation & amortisation)	(19)	(11)
Property operating profit	65	56

At actual currency

<sup>•</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

Metering including Smart Metering

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# Appendix 6 Exchange rates

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	2016
Closing \$ / £ rate	1.25	1.44
Average \$ / £ rate for the period	1.28	1.47
For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	
Impact on operating profit <sup>1</sup>	187	
Impact on interest <sup>1</sup>	(99)	
Impact on tax, JVs and minority interests <sup>1</sup>	(39)	
Net impact on earnings <sup>1</sup>	49	
Impact on net debt <sup>2</sup>	(2,360)	
Impact on book value of assets <sup>2</sup>	2,679	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Currency impact calculated by applying the average March 2017 rate to 2016 results

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Currency impact calculated by applying the closing March 2017 rate to March 2016 balances

<sup>•</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### Appendix 7

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Pensions & other post-retirement benefit obligations (IAS 19 data)

	U	K	U	S	
At 31 March 2017 (£m)	<b>ESPS</b>	NGUK PS	Pensions	OPEBs <sup>1</sup>	Total
Market value of assets	2,916	12,573	6,322	2,564	24,375
Present value of liabilities	(3,423)	(12,222)	(7,050)	(3,613)	(26,308)
Net (liability) / asset	(507)	351	(728)	(1,049)	(1,933)
Taxation	86	(60)	290	431	747
(Liability) / asset net of taxation	(421)	291	(438)	(618)	(1,186)
Discount rates	2.4%	2.4%	4.3%	4.3%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> OPEBs = other post employment benefits

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# **Appendix 8**Timing impacts

£m	UK Electricity Transmission	UK Gas Transmission	US Regulated	Total (Continuing)	UK Gas Distribution	Total
2016/17 Opening balance	(171)	38	156	23	46	69
2016/17 Opening balance restatement adjustment	4	12	(23)	(7)	(1)	(8)
2016/17 over/(under) recovery	137	62	199	398	(22)	376
2016/17 Closing balance	(30)	112	332	414	23	437
2015/16 Opening balance	(176)	(29)	240	35	20	55
2015/16 over/(under) recovery	5	67	(84)	(12)	26	14
2015/16 Closing balance	(171)	38	156	23	46	69
Year on year timing variance	132	(5)	283	410	(48)	362

<sup>• 2016/17</sup> opening balance restatement reflects finalisation of timing balances

<sup>•</sup> All USD balances stated using the average 2017 rate (\$1.28 to £1.00)

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#### Appendix 9

# UK Transmission and UK Gas Distribution Regulated asset values ('RAV') and returns

	UK Electricity Transmission	UK Gas Transmission	UK Gas Distribution
Regulator	Ofgem	Ofgem	Ofgem
RAV	£12,464m	£5,755m	£8,979m
Base allowed real return (assumed CoD 2.38%)	4,23% ('vanilla' WACC)	4.04% ('vanilla' WACC)	3.89% ('vanilla' WACC)
Allowed RoE (nominal)	10.2%	10.0%	9.9%
Achieved RoE (nominal)	13.6%	10.8%	14.0%
Equity / debt (assumed)	40 / 60	37.5 / 62.5	35 / 65
Sharing factors (shareholder retention at RoE)	46.9% plus incentive schemes	44.4% plus incentive schemes	63.0% plus incentive schemes
Base allowed real return (assumed CoD 2.22%)	from April 2017 4.13%	from April 2017 3.94%	from April 2017 3.79%

<sup>•</sup> CoD = Cost of Debt

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#### Appendix 10

New York jurisdiction Regulated asset base ('Rate base') and returns

Rate bases are reported by regulatory entity as at 31 March 2017 Returns are those for the fiscal year ended 31 March 2017	Long Island (KEDLI)	Downstate New York (KEDNY)	Upstate New York (NMPC Gas)	Upstate New York (NMPC Electric)
Regulator	New York PSC	New York PSC	New York PSC	New York PSC
Rate base	\$2,256m	\$2,722m	\$1,052m	\$4,737m
Base allowed return	9.00% (RoE)	9.00% (RoE)	9.30% (RoE)	9.30% (RoE)
Achieved return	9.5%	8.2%	6.6%	8.5%
Equity / debt (assumed)	48 / 52	48 / 52	48 / 52	48 / 52
Sharing factors (shareholder retention at RoE)	100% to 9.5% 50% to 10.0% 25% to 10.5% 10% above 10.5%	100% to 9.5% 50% to 10.0% 25% to 10.5% 10% above 10.5%	100% to 9.3% 50% to 10.3% 25% to 11.3% 10% above 11.3%	100% to 9.3% 50% to 10.3% 25% to 11.3% 10% above 11.3%
Last / next rate case filing	Effective from 1 January 2017	Effective from 1 January 2017	Rate extension filed 15 December 2015	Rate extension filed 15 December 2015

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#### **Appendix 11**

Massachusetts and Rhode Island jurisdiction Regulated asset base ('Rate base') and returns

Rate bases are reported by regulatory entity as at 31 March 2017 Returns are those for the fiscal year ended 31 March 2017	Massachusetts Electric <sup>1</sup>	Massachusetts Gas <sup>2</sup>	Narragansett Distribution (Electric and Gas) <sup>3</sup>
Regulator	Massachusetts DPU	Massachusetts DPU	Rhode Island PUC
Rate base	\$2,281m	\$2,251m	\$1,305m
Base allowed return	9.90% (RoE)	9.80% (RoE)	9.50% (RoE)
Achieved return	4.3%	7.7%	7.7%
Equity / debt (assumed)	50 / 50	50 / 50	49 / 51
Sharing factors (shareholder retention at RoE)	100% to 9.9% 50% above 9.9%	100%	100% to 9.5% 50% to 10.5% 25% above 10.5%
Last / next rate case filing	Effective from 1 October 2016	Effective from November 2010	Effective from February 2013

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes Nantucket Electric. The rate base includes transmission assets

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Massachusetts Gas currently comprises two separate entities: Boston Gas and Colonial Gas. Base allowed and achieved RoE's are weighted averages (using rate base)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Narragansett comprises two separate entities: Narragansett Gas and Narragansett Electric. Base allowed and achieved RoE's are weighted averages (using rate base)

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#### Appendix 12

#### FERC jurisdiction

Regulated asset base ('Rate base') and returns

Rate bases are reported by regulatory entity as at 31 March 2017 Returns are those for the fiscal year ended 31 March 2017	New England Power	Narragansett Electric (Transmission)	Canadian interconnector <sup>1</sup>	Long Island Generation <sup>2</sup>
Regulator	FERC	FERC	FERC	FERC
Rate base	\$1,543m	\$697m	\$31m	\$422m
Base allowed return	10.60% (RoE)	10.60% (RoE)	13.00% (RoE)	9.90% (RoE)
Achieved return	11.1%	11.4%	13.0%	12.0%
Equity / debt (assumed)	66 / 34	50 / 50	49 / 51	46 / 54
Sharing factors (shareholder retention at RoE)	100%	100%	100%	100%
Last / next rate case filing	Monthly formula rates	Monthly formula rates	Monthly formula rates	Effective from May 2013

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> National Grid retains 100% of the return it earns on its stake of ~54% in the Canadian interconnector

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Long Island Generation rate base includes peaking plant

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#### Appendix 13

#### Value Added

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	2016 (constant currency)	change
UK RAV <sup>1</sup>	27,198	26,132 <sup>2</sup>	1,066
US rate base	15,398	14,571	827
Other regulated assets	1,068	1,442 <sup>2</sup>	(374)
Regulated Financial Position	43,664	42,145	1,519
Other invested capital	2,231	2,001	230
Total group regulated and other assets	45,895	44,146	1,749
Goodwill	6,096	6,096	-
Gas Distribution sale related net debt adjustment	(9,871)	-	(9,871)
Net debt	(19,274)	(27,685)	8,411
Equity	22,846	22,557	289
Share buy-backs			189
Dividend paid during the year			1,463
Value Added			1,941
Value Added per share (pence)			51.6p

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Includes 100% of Gas Distribution RAV

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  UK restated for opening balance adjustments following Regulatory Reporting Pack process in 2016

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#### Appendix 14

#### Group Return on Equity

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For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	2016	2015
Regulated financial performance	3,906	3,663	3,741
IFRS operating profit for non-regulated companies	204	374	199
Share of post tax results of joint ventures	63	59	46
Non-controlling interest	1	(3)	8
Treasury managed interest	(1,075)	(922)	(945)
Group tax charge	(808)	(753)	(695)
Tax on adjustments	166	4	(14)
Adjusted Group profit after tax for RoE	2,457	2,422	2,340
Opening rate base/RAV	40,435	36,998	35,237
Non-regulated companies' opening net book value	1,579	1,213	1,341
Joint ventures	408	319	358
Opening goodwill	5,984	5,182	4,856
Opening capital employed	48,406	43,712	41,792
Opening net debt	(27,346)	(24,024)	(21,974)
Group equity value	21,060	19,688	19,818
Group RoE – nominal (adjusted group profit after tax / group equity value)	11.7%	12.3%	11.8%

<sup>•</sup> Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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#### Appendix 15

Weighted average number of shares

For the year ended 31 March	2017	2016
Number of shares (millions):		
Prior period as reported (weighted average)	-	3,755
Current period opening shares	3,745	-
Scrip dividend shares	19	19
Other share movements (weighted from issuance/repurchase)	(1)	-
Weighted average number of shares (restated)	3,763	3,774
Business performance earnings (£m) - Group	2,748	2,386
Business performance EPS (restated) - Group	73.0p	63.2p
Business performance earnings (£m) - Continuing operations	2,141	1,812
Business performance EPS (restated) - Continuing operations	56.9p	48.0p

<sup>•</sup> Business performance, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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# Appendix 16 Interest cover

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	<b>2017</b> <sup>1</sup>	2017	2016	2015
Interest expense (P&L)	1,082	1,082	1,035	1,069
Hybrid interest reclassified as dividend	(51)	(51)	(49)	(55)
Capitalised interest	109	109	112	86
Pensions interest adjustment	(60)	(60)	(60)	(48)
Interest on decommissioning liabilities adjustment	1	1	1	1
Interest on lease rentals adjustment	18	18	17	32
Unwinding of discounts on provisions	(73)	(73)	(73)	(73)
Interest in discontinued operations	146	146	. ,	
Adjusted interest expense	1,172	1,172	983	1,012
Net cash inflow from operating activities (2017 continuing)	4,320	4,320	5,368	5,007
Interest income on financial instruments	51	51	23	37
Interest paid on financial instruments	(839)	(839)	(834)	(826)
Dividends received	99	99	72	79
Working capital adjustment	(151)	(151)	(456)	(301)
add back excess employer pension contributions	606	606	301	237
add back Hybrid interest reclassified as dividend	51	51	49	55
add back lease rentals	86	86	77	65
Difference in net interest expense in income statement to cash flow	(170)	(170)	(129)	(156)
Difference in current tax in income statement to cash flow	(47)	(47)	(42)	47
add back current tax related to prior years	(46)	(46)	(26)	(64)
Net cash inflow from discontinued operations	909	909	-	-
Interest in discontinued operations	(146)	(146)	-	-
add back exceptional cash costs related to Gas Distribution sale	139			
Adjusted funds from operations	4,862	4,723	4,403	4,180
Interest cover: (adjusted funds from operations + adjusted interest expense / adjusted interest expense)	5.1x	5.0x	5.5x	5.1x

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Proforma adjusted to remove impact of Gas Distribution sale

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## Appendix 17

RCF:Debt

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	<b>2017</b> <sup>1</sup>	2017	2016	2015
Adjusted funds from operations (FFO)	4,862	4,723	4,403	4,180
Hybrid interest reclassified as dividend	(51)	(51)	(49)	(55)
Dividends paid to shareholders	(1,463)	(1,463)	(1,337)	(1,271)
RCF (headline)	3,348	3,209	3,017	2,854
Purchase of treasury shares	(189)	(189)	(267)	(338)
RCF (net of share buybacks)	3,159	3,020	2,750	2,516
Bank Overdrafts	-	-	3	3
Borrowings	28,638	28,638	28,341	25,907
Less				
50% hybrid debt	(1,033)	(1,033)	(995)	(948)
Cash & cash equivalents	(1,139)	(1,139)	(127)	(119)
Restricted cash	2	2	2	1
Available for sale investments	(7,432)	(7,432)	(1,951)	(1,232)
Underfunded pension obligations	1,487	1,487	1,434	1,675
Operating leases adjustment	526	526	544	588
Derivative asset removed from debt	52	52	(183)	(89)
Currency swaps	72	72	55	453
Nuclear decommissioning liabilities reclassified as debt	36	36	38	22
Collateral - cash received under collateral agreements	(709)	(709)	(610)	(540)
Accrued interest removed from ST debt	(210)	(210)	(243)	(230)
Net debt adjustment to remove impact of Gas Distribution sale	9,871			
Adjusted Net Debt (includes pension deficit)	30,161	20,290	26,308	25,491
FFO/Adjusted Net Debt	16.1%	23.3%	16.7%	16.4%
RCF (headline)/Adjusted Net Debt	11.1%	15.8%	11.5%	11.2%
RCF (net of share buybacks)/Adjusted Net Debt	10.5%	14.9%	10.5%	9.9%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Proforma adjusted to remove impact of Gas Distribution sale

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#### Appendix 18

#### UK Electricity Transmission net revenue

For the year ended 31 March (£m)		2017		
Revenue		4,439		
Net timing adjustment		(137) →		_
Pass through costs				£m
Revenue collected on behalf of others	(1,029)		Incentives (excluding totex), true ups (non-controllable	
BSIS costs	(1,120)		costs, pensions etc.) and revenue over/under recoveries	
Electricity Transmission Owner (ETO) pass through costs	(104)		Deferred for future recovery/(return):	
Electricity System Operator (ESO) pass through costs	(40)		Incentives	16
Electricity dysterri Operator (Edd) pass trilough costs	(40)	(0.000)	True ups	(8)
Not voyonyo adjusted for timing		(2,293)	Revenue under/(over) recovery	(51)
Net revenue adjusted for timing		2,009	(Collection)/return of prior year deferrals	(94)
			Net timing adjustment	(137)

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#### Appendix 19

#### UK Electricity Transmission operating profit

#### For the year ended 31 March (£m) 2017 **Net Revenue adjusted for timing Transmission Owner (ETO) excluding incentives** 1,774 £m ETO incentives 16 Ofgem annual iteration TO revenue 1,386 **System Operator (ESO) excluding incentives** 156 (88)- model non-controllable costs ESO incentives 28 + inflate to actual 16/17 prices 296 35 Other (including legal settlements) Ofgem model net revenue 1,594 2,009 **Depreciation & Amortisation** + network innovation allowance, contributions, **Electricity Transmission Owner** (403)pensions true up and other 11 Electricity System Operator (18)+ excluded services income 169 TO net revenue excluding timing and incentives 1,774 Other (421)Regulated Controllable costs, pensions and other costs Electricity Transmission Owner (245)£m Electricity System Operator (108)Ofgem annual iteration SO revenue 129 Other + inflate to actual 16/17 prices 29 (353)Ofgem model net revenue 158 Total UK Electricity Transmission operating profit adjusted for timing + other Electricity Transmission Owner 1,143 SO net revenue excluding timing and incentives 156 Electricity System Operator 58 Other 34 **Total UK Electricity Transmission operating profit adjusted for timing** 1,235

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1,372

**Total UK Electricity Transmission operating profit: headline** 

Timing adjustment

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#### Appendix 20

#### UK Gas Transmission net revenue

Net revenue adjusted for timing

For the year ended 31 March (£m)		2017
Revenue		1,080
Net timing adjustment		(62)
Pass through costs		
Revenue collected on behalf of others	(14)	
Gas Transmission Owner (GTO) pass through costs	(128)	
Gas System Operator (GSO) pass through costs	(81)	
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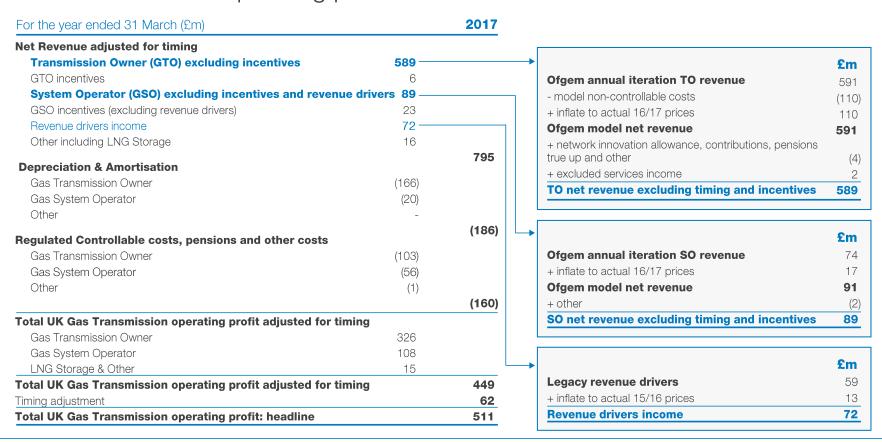
	£m
Incentives (excluding totex), true ups (non-controllable costs, pensions etc.) and revenue over/under recoveries	
Deferred for future recovery/(return):	
Incentives	23
True ups	(46)
Revenue under/(over) recovery	(21)
(Collection)/return of prior year deferrals	(18)
Net timing adjustment	(62)

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#### **Appendix 21**

#### UK Gas Transmission operating profit



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#### Appendix 22

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UK Gas Distribution net revenue and operating profit

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017		
Revenue	1,882		
Net timing adjustment	22 ——	$\rightarrow$	
Pass through costs	(350 <b>)</b>		£m
Net revenue adjusted for timing	1,554	Incentives (excluding totex), true ups (non-controllable costs, pensions etc.) and revenue over/under recoveries	
		Deferred for future recovery/(return):	
		Incentives	18
		True ups	6
For the year ended Of March (Cm)	2017	Revenue under/(over) recovery	(15
For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	(Collection)/return of prior year deferrals	13
Net revenue adjusted for timing		Net timing adjustment	22
Net revenue excluding incentives 1,521			
Incentives 33	3		
	1,554		£m
Depreciation & Amortisation	(214)	Ofgem annual iteration revenue	1,470
Regulated Controllable costs, pensions and other costs	(420)	- model non-controllable costs	(258
Total UK Gas Distribution operating profit adjusted for timing	920	+ inflate to actual 16/17 prices	276
Timing adjustment	(22)	Ofgem model net revenue	1,488
Total UK Gas Distribution operating profit: headline	898	+ network innovation allowance, contributions,	.,-50
		pensions true up and other	18
		+ excluded services income	15
		Net revenue excluding timing and incentives	1,521

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#### Appendix 23

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#### Continuing, discontinued and total Group profits and earnings

	2017			2016		
For the year ended 31 March (£m)	Continuing operations	Discontinued operations	Total	Continuing operations	Discontinued operations	Total
Revenue	15,035	1,887	16,922	13,212	1,903	15,115
Operating costs	(11,262)	(993)	(12,255)	(9,998)	(1,021)	(11,019)
Adjusted operating profit	3,773	894	4,667	3,214	882	4,096
Exceptional items and remeasurements	(565)	-	(565)	11	(22)	(11)
Statutory operating profit	3,208	894	4,102	3,225	860	4,085
Net finance cost (before exceptionals)	(1,029)	(146)	(1,175)	(856)	(157)	(1,013)
Finance exceptionals	(58)	(6)	(64)	(99)	-	(99)
Total finance cost	(1,087)	(152)	(1,239)	(955)	(157)	(1,112)
Share of post-tax results of joint ventures and associates	<b>63</b>	-	63	59	-	59
Profit before tax	2,184	742	2,926	2,329	703	3,032
Tax	(374)	(79)	(453)	(427)	(11)	(438)
Profit after tax before gain on disposal	1,810	663	2,473	1,902	692	2,594
Gain on disposal	-	5,321	5,321	_	-	-
Profit after tax including gain on disposal	1,810	5,984	7,794	1,902	692	2,594

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#### Appendix 24

Reconciliation of adjusted operating profit to adjusted EPS (including and excluding timing)

	<b>Including timing</b>		Excluding timing		
For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	2016 <sup>1</sup>	2017	2016 <sup>1</sup>	
Continuing operations					
Adjusted operating profit	3,773	3,214	3,375	3,215	
Adjusted net finance costs	(1,029)	(856)	(1,029)	(856)	
Share of post-tax results of joint ventures and associates	63	59	63	59	
Adjusted profit before tax	2,807	2,417	2,409	2,418	
Adjusted tax	(666)	(604)	(547)	(619)	
Adjusted profit after tax	2,141	1,813	1,862	1,799	
Attributable to non-controlling interests	-	(1)	-	(1)	
Adjusted earnings from continuing operations	2,141	1,812	1,862	1,798	
Exceptional items after tax	(312)	162	(312)	162	
Remeasurements after tax	(19)	(73)	(19)	(73)	
Earnings from continuing operations	1,810	1,901	1,531	1,887	

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Comparative information has been restated to reflect the classification of the UK Gas Distribution business as a discontinued operation

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#### Appendix 24 continued

Reconciliation of adjusted operating profit to adjusted EPS (including and excluding timing)

	Includin	g timing	Excluding timing	
For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	2016 <sup>1</sup>	2017	2016 <sup>1</sup>
Discontinued operations				
Adjusted operating profit	894	882	916	856
Adjusted net finance costs	(146)	(157)	(146)	(157)
Adjusted profit before tax	748	725	770	699
Adjusted tax	(142)	(149)	(146)	(144)
Adjusted profit after tax	606	576	624	555
Attributable to non-controlling interests	1	(2)	1	(2)
Adjusted earnings from discontinued operations	607	574	625	553
Exceptional items after tax from discontinued operations	62	116	62	116
Remeasurements after tax from discontinued operations	(5)	-	(5)	-
Gain on disposal of UK Gas Distribution after tax	5,321	-	5,321	-
Earnings from discontinued operations	5,985	690	6,003	669

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#### Appendix 24 continued

Reconciliation of adjusted operating profit to adjusted EPS (including and excluding timing)

	Including timing		Excluding timing		
For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	2016 <sup>1</sup>	2017	2016 <sup>1</sup>	
Continuing and discontinued operations					
Adjusted operating profit	4,667	4,096	4,291	4,071	
Adjusted net finance costs	(1,175)	(1,013)	(1,175)	(1,013)	
Share of post-tax results of joint ventures and associates	63	59	63	59	
Adjusted profit before tax	3,555	3,142	3,179	3,117	
Adjusted tax	(808)	(753)	(693)	(763)	
Adjusted profit after tax	2,747	2,389	2,486	2,354	
Attributable to non-controlling interests	1	(3)	1	(3)	
Total adjusted earnings	2,748	2,386	2,487	2,351	
Total exceptional items after tax	(250)	278	(250)	278	
Total remeasurements after tax	(24)	(73)	(24)	(73)	
Gain on disposal of UK Gas Distribution after tax	5,321	-	5,321	-	
Total earnings	7,795	2,591	7,534	2,556	

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#### Appendix 25

Reconciliation of adjusted EPS to statutory EPS (including and excluding timing)

	Includin	g timing	Excludir	<b>Excluding timing</b>	
For the year ended 31 March (pence)	2017	2016 <sup>1</sup>	2017	2016 <sup>1</sup>	
Adjusted EPS from continuing operations	56.9	48.0	49.5	47.6	
Exceptional items after tax from continuing operations	(8.3)	4.3	(8.3)	4.3	
Remeasurements after tax from continuing operations	(0.5)	(1.9)	(0.5)	(1.9)	
EPS from continuing operations	48.1	50.4	40.7	50.0	
Adjusted EPS from discontinued operations	16.1	15.2	16.6	14.7	
Exceptional items after tax from discontinued operations	1.6	3.1	1.6	3.1	
Remeasurements after tax from discontinued operations	(0.1)	-	(0.1)	-	
Gain on disposal of UK Gas Distribution after tax	141.4	-	141.4	-	
EPS from discontinued operations	159.0	18.3	159.5	17.8	
Total adjusted EPS	73.0	63.2	66.1	62.3	
Total exceptional items after tax	(6.7)	7.4	(6.7)	7.4	
Total remeasurements after tax	(0.6)	(1.9)	(0.6)	(1.9)	
Gain on disposal of UK Gas Distribution after tax	141.4	-	141.4	-	
Total EPS	207.1	68.7	200.2	67.8	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Comparative information has been restated to reflect the classification of the UK Gas Distribution business as a discontinued operation and the additional shares as scrip dividends

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#### Appendix 26

#### Capital investment

For the year ended 31 March (£m)	2017	2016	% change
Capital expenditure	3,735	3,327	12%
Additions within discontinued operations	588	566	4%
Equity and funding contributions to joint ventures and associates <sup>1</sup>	127	53	140%
Group capital investment	4,450	3,946	13%

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  Excludes £10m equity contributions to St William property joint venture for 2017 (2016: £63m)

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Welcome

SIR PETER GERSHON CHAIRMAN



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# Acting responsibly

- Balance needs of all stakeholders
- Optimise shareholder returns
- Strong stewardship and corporate governance over everything we do







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# Agenda

Portfolio overview Sir Peter Gershon

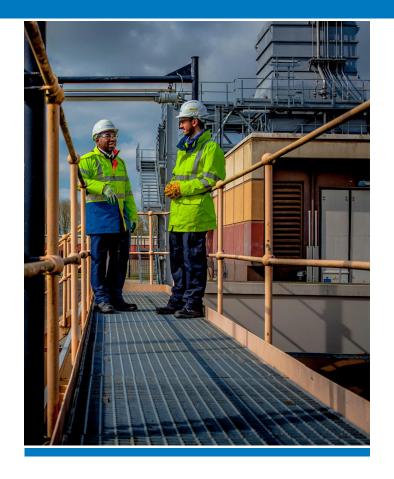
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Nominations Sir Peter Gershon

Safety, Environment and Health Paul Golby

Remuneration Jonathan Dawson

Finance Therese Esperdy



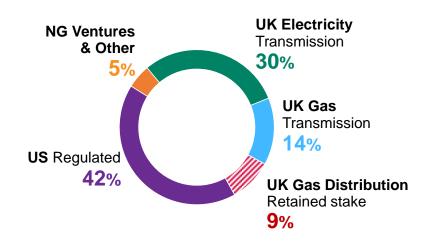
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#### Portfolio overview

#### High quality regulated assets

Total assets £40.5bn as at 31 March 2017



Outperformance in the UK generating savings for customers



US rate filings supporting improved performance and increased investment



Includes 39% share of UK Gas Distribution assets

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# Non-Executive Director participants today



Sir Peter Gershon Chairman



Jonathan
Dawson
Remuneration
Committee



Paul Golby Safety, Environment and Health Committee



Therese Esperdy Finance Committee

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# National Grid plc Board



Sir Peter Gershon



Ruth Kelly



Jonathan Dawson



Paul Golby



Nora Mead Brownell



Mark Williamson



Pierre Dufour



Therese Esperdy



John Pettigrew



Andrew Bonfield



Dean Seavers



Nicola Shaw

- Executive
- Non-executive

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### Board – key focus areas

Review of performance improvement in the US



Oversight of UK Gas Distribution sale and return of proceeds



Board composition and effectiveness



Seamless transition to new CEO



**Cyber** security



Evolution of Group strategy in the context of changing industry



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# Clear strategic focus



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#### Board – 2017/18 priorities



Safety reviews; Principal risks



NiMo, Mass Gas and Rhode Island rate filings



RIIO T2 preparations; future governance of the SO

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# Nominations Committee composition



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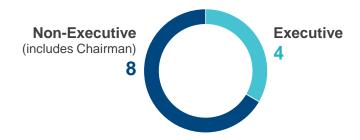
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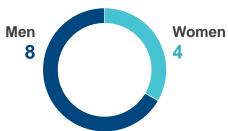
#### **Nominations Committee review**

- Senior appointments
  - John Pettigrew
  - Nicola Shaw
- Succession planning
- Board diversity
  - Experience, knowledge, thinking styles
  - Hampton-Alexander and Parker recommendations
  - Target of 33% women on the Board extended to Executive Committee and their direct reports

# Executive and Non-executive Directors



#### Board gender



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# Committees – Safety, Environment and Health



Paul Golby



Nora Mead Brownell



Pierre Dufour

#### **COMMITTEE ROLE**

Safety
 lessons learnt from serious incidents, quality of training and initiatives, peer reviews and benchmarking

- Environment cross company learning, company strategy and approach, specific incidents and lessons learnt
- Health overview of key campaigns to promote employee health and wellbeing

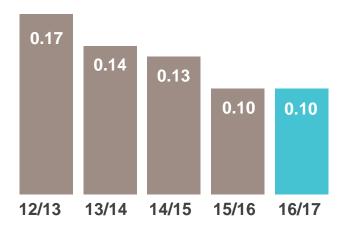
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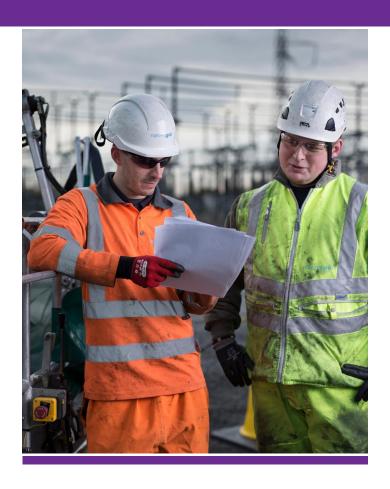
### Safety performance

 UK employee fatality a stark reminder of the importance of safety

# Employee lost time injury frequency rate per 100,000 hours worked



**0.10**overall lost time injury frequency rate - an historic low level for National Grid



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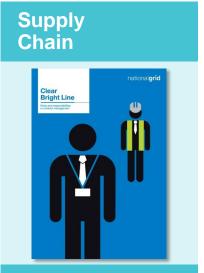
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# Safety priorities

#### Safety focus areas, programmes and initiatives









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### Our Environmental performance and priorities

# **Climate** change



45% reduction in GHG emissions by 2020

**80%** reduction by 2050

Responsible resource use



Reduce waste production by 30% by 2020

Caring for our environment



Recognise and enhance the value of our natural assets on at least

**50 sites** by 2020

**63**%

Reduction in our scope 1 and 2 greenhouse gas emissions compared with our 1990 baseline





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#### Environmental case studies





Wimbledon Substation



SF<sub>6</sub> replacement project
- Green Gas for Grid

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### Health and wellbeing performance and priorities

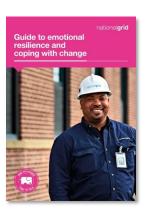
- Focus on musculoskeletal disorders and mental wellbeing
  - 500 managers completed internationally recognised Mental Health First Aid course
- Year long campaign on raising awareness and testing for diabetes
- Live Brighter wellness programme in the US











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#### Committees - Remuneration



Jonathan Dawson



Mark Williamson



Nora Mead Brownell



Pierre Dufour

#### **Key agenda items for 2016/17**

- Remuneration policy review policy vote at 2017 AGM
- Annual and long term incentive plan targets and performance measurement
- Disclosures

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#### Remuneration policy review

#### Inputs

- Key questions considered
- Through different lenses

#### Conclusions

- Overall structure remains appropriate and no changes to maxima
- Market leading personal shareholding requirement to remain, with 2 year holding period after vesting
- Largely share based payments continue
- Minor changes to regional EDs APP & LTPP metrics to sharpen regional focus on APP and collective performance in LTPP

#### **Modifications to measures**

- No change to CEO and CFO measures
- Minor changes to regional Executive Director plans:
  - APP: regional Value Added replaces adjusted EPS
  - LTPP: Group RoE replaces regional RoE portion

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### Impact of changes

- All Executive Directors focused through long-term plan on creating sustainable group value
- Streamlined so that all Executive Directors have same basis for measurement for LTPP
  - 50% weighting on Group RoE
  - 50% weighting on Group Value Growth
- Pay-for-performance clarity for UK and US Executive Directors
- Drives strong performance, continues to deliver an overall quantum of pay that is appropriate

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#### Annual performance plan outcomes FY17

#### **Proportion of maximum achieved**

**RETURN ON EQUITY** 

50-70%

ADJUSTED EARNINGS PER SHARE<sup>1</sup>

100%

INDIVIDUAL OBJECTIVES

**78-84**%

REDUCTION FOR SAFETY INCIDENT

(10)%

FINAL AWARDS

86-94%

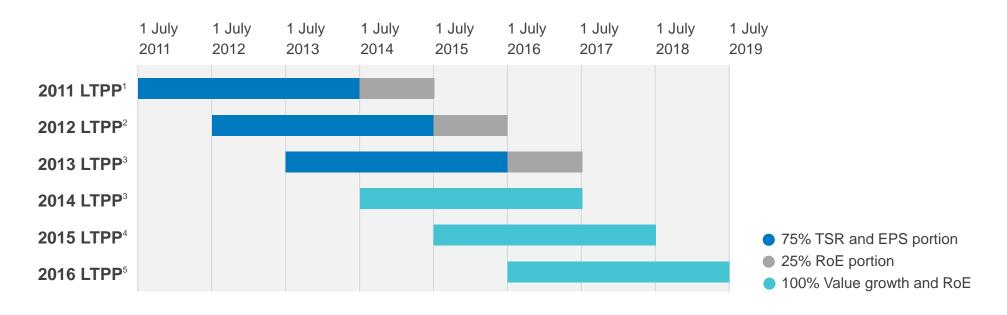
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<sup>23</sup> Investor stewardship meeting 7 July 2017

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#### Long term performance plan outcomes FY17

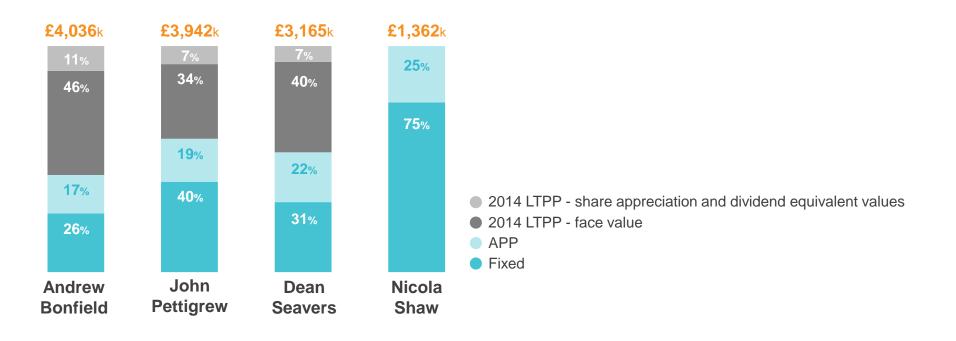


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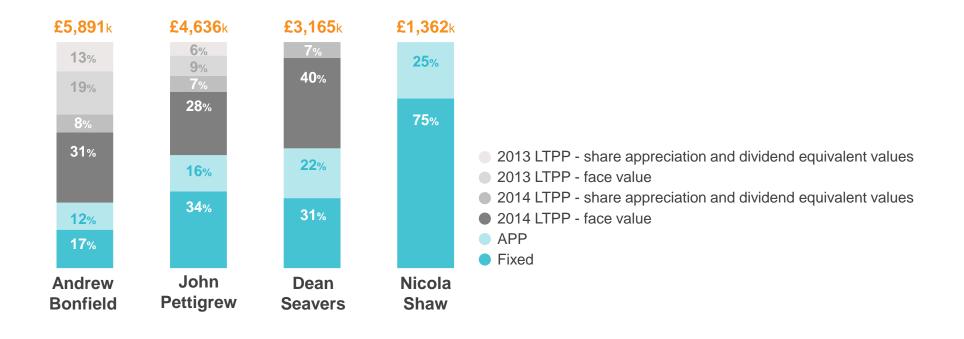
### Total reward FY17 (excluding 2013 LTPP)



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#### Total reward FY17



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#### Salaries and disclosure enhancements

- John Pettigrew and Nicola Shaw salaries increased 9%.
  - 2.6% consistent with wider managerial increase;
  - 6.4% discretionary due to low positioning against market and having met specific achievements
- 2.6% increase for Andrew Bonfield
- 2.5% increase for Dean Seavers
- Both in line with UK/US managerial increase
- Disclosure enhancements made to 2017 Annual Report, in line with our view of best practice



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#### Committees – Finance



Therese Esperdy



Ruth Kelly



Jonathan Dawson



John Pettigrew



Andrew Bonfield

#### **COMMITTEE ROLE**

- Sets policy, approves strategy and grants authority for:
  - financing decisions
  - credit exposure
  - hedging and foreign exchange transactions
- Oversight of tax, pensions and insurance activities

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#### Finance Committee review 2016/17

- EU Referendum readiness
- Gas Distribution sale:
  - sectionalisation of the UK pension arrangements
  - restructuring of the existing UK debt portfolio
  - financing standalone UK Gas Distribution business
  - set up of new treasury team and banking group





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## Strong credit metrics support growth

#### **NET DEBT**

£19.3bn

- Before £4bn return of proceeds from Gas
   Distribution sale
- £2-3bn long-term debt issued each year

#### **CREDIT RATING**

## **A**-

- A- at operating company
- BBB+ at NG plc
- International debt market access

#### **AVERAGE MATURITY**

# ~11 years

- 55% debt at fixed rates
- 25% RPI linked
- 20% Floating rate

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## Summary

- Year of significant milestones for National Grid
- Safety performance remains core to everything we do
- Fair and balanced approach to remuneration
- Board well positioned to support National Grid going forward

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Sir Peter Gershon Chairman



Therese
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Non-Executive
Director



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Director



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# **Highlights**

Steve Holliday | Chief Executive

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#### Portfolio update

- Potential sale of a majority stake in UK Gas Distribution
- Rebalance the portfolio to deliver higher growth
- Beginning of the process
- Return substantially all net proceeds to shareholders
- Maintain the dividend policy



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#### **Financial headlines**



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#### On track for another good year



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## **Business Review**

**Andrew Bonfield** | Finance Director

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#### **Performance on track**

Operating profit and capital investment

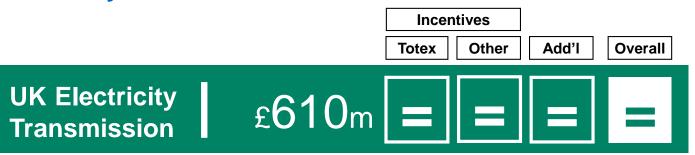
	Operating profit	Capital investment
UK Electricity Transmission	£610m	£514m
UK Gas Transmission	£159m	£91m
UK Gas Distribution	£428m	£286m
US Regulated	£351m	£933m
Other activities	£288m	£95m*

<sup>\*</sup>including investment in joint ventures, excluding £55m equity contribution to St William property joint venture Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements All numbers include impacts of timing

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#### **Electricity Transmission**



Expected year on year movement in returns

- Totex performance driven by capital efficiencies
- New balancing services incentive scheme
- On track for similar overall returns

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#### **Gas Transmission**



Expected year on year movement in returns

- Totex spend in line with allowances
- Expiry of permit income; overall good other incentive performance expected
- Additional (legacy) allowances ramping down from 2015/16 onward

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#### **Gas Distribution**



Expected year on year movement in returns

- Similar level of totex efficiencies
- Similar level of other incentive performance
- ◆ Overall performance in line with 2014/15

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#### **US** Regulated

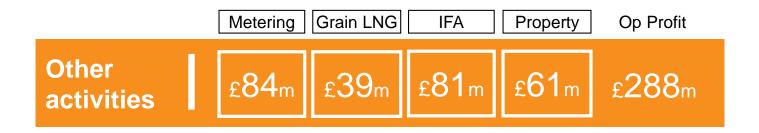
US Regulated £351m around 8% projected 2015 returns

- Operations performing well
- Controllable operating costs reduced
- Step up in growth of regulated assets
- Regulatory filings underway

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#### Other activities

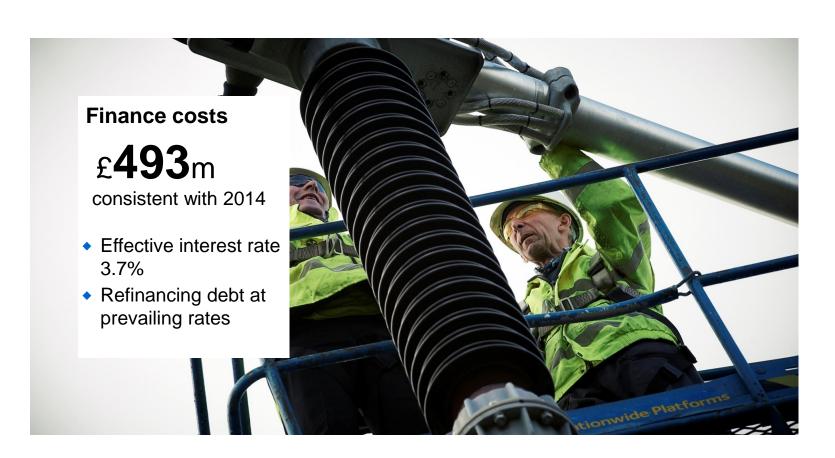


- Metering and Grain to sustain steady performance
- IFA strong performance; H2 to be slightly less than last year
- Sale of two properties; likely to remain flat through H2
- End of US systems stabilisation costs in H1 2014/15
- Benefit from exchange of Iroquois Pipeline interest

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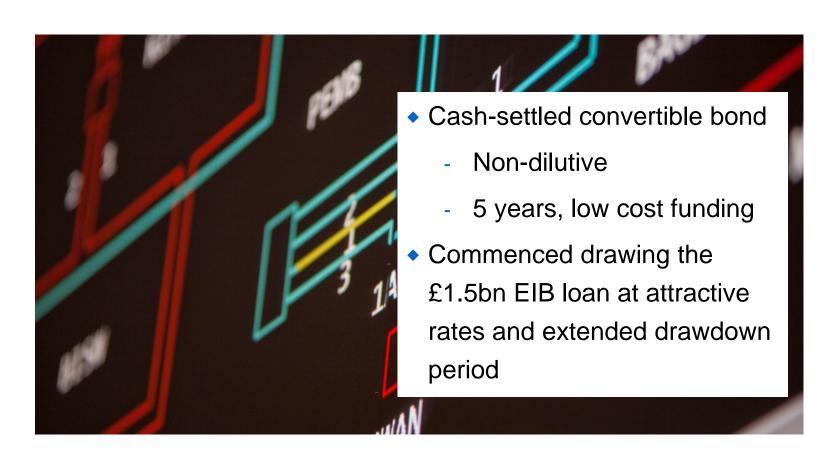
#### Interest, tax and earnings



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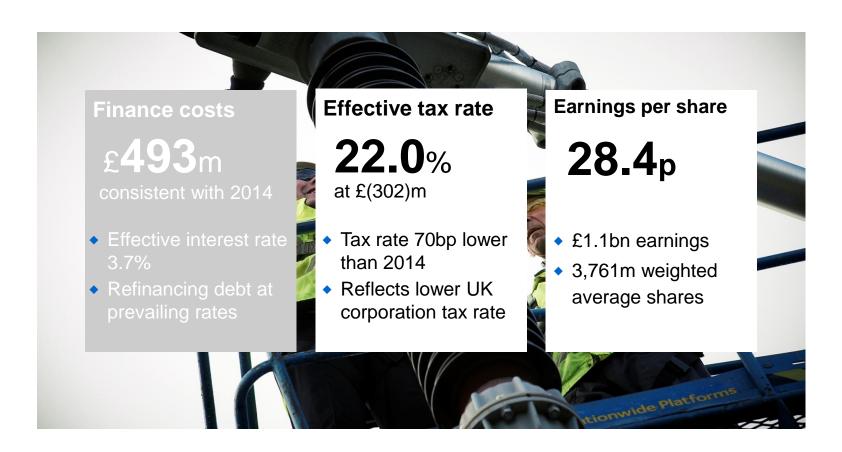
## **Debt financing**



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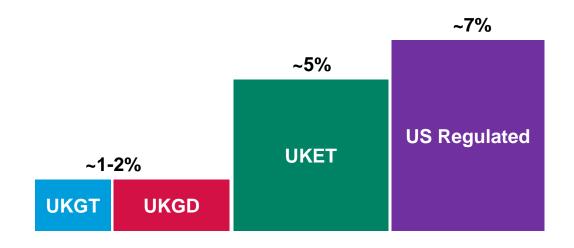


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#### 2015/16 asset growth

#### ~£3.7bn total Group investment for FY15/16



## 4-5% Group growth rate expected

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#### Cash flows and net debt

Period ended 30 September 2015	£m
Operating profit	1,836
Depreciation & amortisation	796
Provisions, incl. pensions	(284)
Working capital & other	333
Net operating cash flow	2,681
Net debt	24,592





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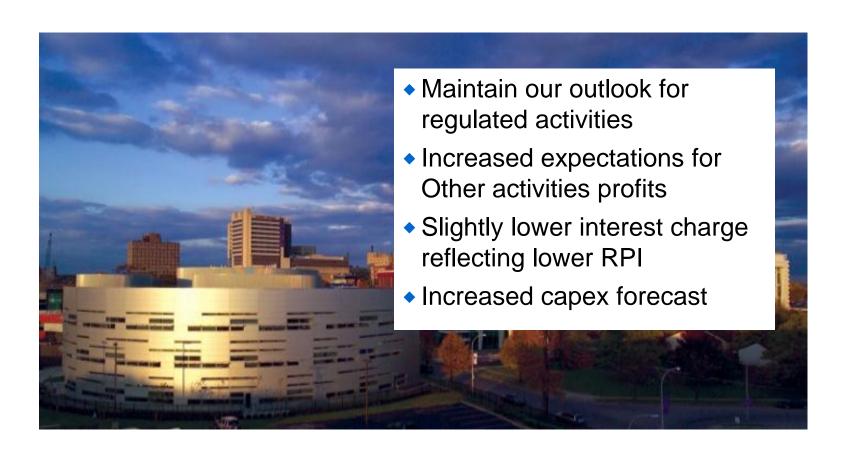
#### Scrip dividend and share buybacks



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#### **Technical guidance**



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## **Priorities & outlook**

Steve Holliday | Chief Executive

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## 2015/16 priorities

UK Electricity Transmission	Deliver efficient investment programme
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US Regulated	Sustain returns and growth, deliver new filings on time

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#### Winter outlook



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## 2015/16 priorities

UK Electricity Transmission	Deliver efficient investment programme
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UK Gas	Priority to improve customer
Distribution	service

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#### 2015/16 priorities

#### **US** Regulated

Sustain returns and growth, deliver new filings on time

- Reduced costs despite upward pressure
- Increased level of investment; growth around 7%
- Downstate NY gas capital trackers approved; \$400m for KEDLI and \$900m for KEDNY over two years
- Agreed MA gas capital plan of \$219m in 2015
- Full rate plan filing for Massachusetts Electric filed last week; requests additional \$143m of revenue per annum

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## 2015/16 priorities

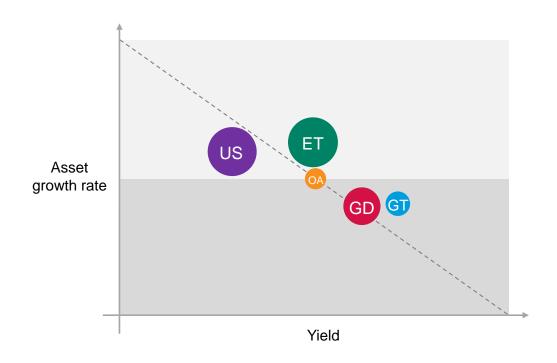
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## **Portfolio strategy**

#### Opportunity to rebalance the portfolio to deliver higher growth

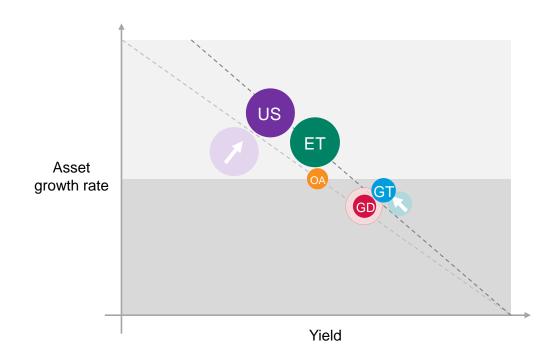


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## **Portfolio strategy**

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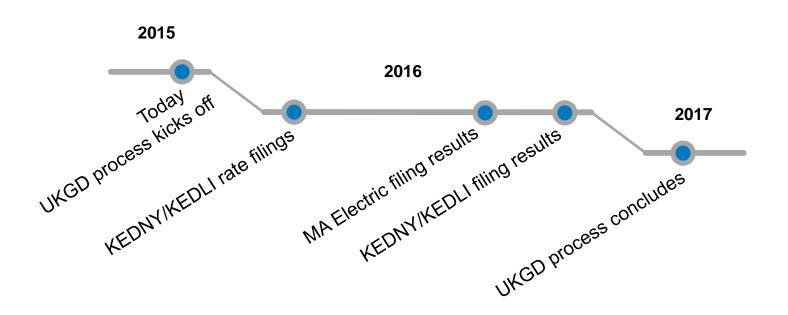
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#### **Timeline of milestones**



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#### **Summary**



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# **Appendix 1: Pensions & other post-retirement** benefit obligations (IAS19 data)

	UK		US			
At 30 September 2015 (£m)	ESPS	NGUK PS	Pensions	OPEBs	NG total	
Market value of assets	2,367	16,558	4,705	1,732	25,362	
Present value of liabilities	(2,679)	(16,486)	(5,612)	(3,122)	(27,899)	
Net (liability)/asset	(312)	72	(907)	(1,390)	(2,537)	
Deferred taxation	62	(14)	365	559	972	
(Liability)/asset net of taxation	(250)	58	(542)	(831)	(1,565)	
Discount rates	3.7%	3.7%	4.6%	4.6%		

	UK		US			
015 (£m)	ESPS	NGUK PS	Pensions	OPEBs	NG total	
f assets	2,380	17,073	5,052	1,903	26,408	
of liabilities	(2,860)	(17,265)	(6,055)	(3,486)	(29,666)	
	(480)	(192)	(1,003)	(1,583)	(3,258)	
on	96	38	405	638	1,177	
et net of taxation	(384)	(154)	(598)	(945)	(2,081)	
	3.3%	3.3%	4.1%	4.1%		
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#### **Appendix 2: Timing Impacts**

£m	UK Electricity Transmission	UK Gas Transmission	UK Gas Distribution	US Regulated	Total
2015/16 Opening balance	(164)	(29)	16	153	(24)
Restatement of Opening Balance	(12)	(8)	3	46	29
2015/16 over/(under) recovery	33	51	(5)	(102)	(23)
2015/16 Closing balance to (recover) / return	(143)	14	14	97	(18)
2014/15 Opening balance	(67)	(11)	21	123	66
Restatement of Opening Balance	(8)	-	(18)	-	(26)
2014/15 over/(under) recovery	(6)	10	3	(38)	(31)
2014/15 Closing balance to (recover) / return	(81)	(1)	6	85	9
Year on year timing variance	39	41	(8)	(64)	8

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#### **Appendix 3: Weighted average number of shares**

Period ended 30 September	2015	2014
Number of shares (millions):		
Prior period as reported (weighted average)	-	3,771
Current period opening shares	3,739	-
January 2015 dividend scrip shares	-	2
August 2015 dividend scrip shares	29	29
Other share issuances (weighted from issuance)	(7)*	-
Weighted average number of shares (2014 restated)	3,761	3,802
Business performance earnings (£m)	1,067	883
Business performance EPS (2014 restated)	28.4p	23.2p

<sup>\*</sup>includes (11)m related to 29m shares repurchased since 1 April 2015