

IN THE COMPETITION APPEAL TRIBUNAL

Case No. 1097/1/2/08 (IR)

BETWEEN:

NATIONAL GRID PLC

Appellant

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GAS AND ELECTRICITY MARKETS AUTHORITY

Respondent

ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT

UPON reading the request ("the Request") by National Grid plc ("National Grid") pursuant to rule 61 of the Competition Appeal Tribunal Rules 2003 (S.I. No. 1372 of 2003, as amended by S.I. No. 2068 of 2004) ("the Rules") for interim relief to suspend the directions made by the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority ("the Authority") on 22 February 2008 ("the Directions") under section 33 of the Competition Act 1998 ("the Act") that appear at paragraphs 2 to 4 of the operative part of a decision of the Authority of 22 February 2008 numbered CA98/STG/06 pursuant to section 18 of the Act and Article 82 of the EC Treaty ("the Decision")

AND UPON National Grid stating in the Request that it intends pursuant to section 46(2) of the Act and rule 8 of the Rules to appeal to the Tribunal against the Decision ("the Appeal")

AND UPON the Registrar writing to the parties on 5 March 2008 in respect of the Request

AND UPON receiving confirmation from the Authority that it consents to the Request

AND UPON having regard to the criteria specified in rule 61 of the Rules

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Directions will be suspended until the last day for lodging an appeal against the Decision or the determination of the Appeal by the Tribunal, whichever is the later, or until further Order
- 2. Costs are reserved

3. Liberty to apply

The Honourable Mr Justice Barling President of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Made: 14 March 2008 Drawn: 14 March 2008