

NOTICE OF A REQUEST FOR INTERIM RELIEF

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

The Registrar of the Competition Appeal Tribunal (the "Tribunal") gives notice of the receipt of a request for interim relief on 4 March 2008 made pursuant to Rule 61 of the Competition Appeal Tribunal Rules 2003 (SI 2003 No. 1372), by National Grid PLC ("National Grid") in respect of a decision (the "Decision") made by the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority, 9 Millbank, London, SW1P 3GE ("OFGEM") on 21 February 2008.

National Grid's legal advisers are Pinsent Masons LLP, 3 Colmore Circus, Birmingham, B4 6BH (Mr Guy Lougher – reference 20/21743509.2\GL\624204.07051).

In the Decision OFGEM found that National Grid had abused its dominant position in the market for the provision of domestic-sized gas meters in Great Britain, contrary to the Chapter II prohibition [contained in section 18 of the Competition Act 1998] and Article 82 of the EC Treaty (the "Infringement"). The Infringement concerns the inclusion by National Grid of certain charging provisions in contracts for the provision of domestic-sized gas meters to gas suppliers.

The Decision contains directions (the "Directions") requiring National Grid to bring the Infringement to an end as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within 90 days of the date of the Decision. National Grid contends that, if implemented, the Directions would cause National Grid serious and irreparable damage. National Grid seeks an order suspending the Directions pending the Tribunal's judgment on the substantive appeal which National Grid intends to make against the Decision.

The request will be heard by the President of the Tribunal sitting alone at 10.30am on Friday 14 March 2008 at Victoria House, Bloomsbury Place (entrance in Bloomsbury Square), London WC1A 2EB.

Further details concerning the procedures of the Tribunal can be found on its website at www.catribunal.org.uk. Alternatively the Tribunal Registry can be contacted by post at the above address or by telephone (020 7979 7979) or fax (020 7979 7978). Please quote the case number mentioned above in all communications.

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Registrar

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