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Dear Nick Winser and Mark Ripley,

CONFIRMATION OF DEMAND CURVE PARAMETERS FOR THE FIRST CAPACITY AUCTION

Thank you for your Electricity Capacity Report 2014 (ECR) delivered on 12 June. In line with the recommendation this report contained, I would like to confirm the following demand curve parameters for the first 'T-4' capacity auction to be held this year for delivery in 2018/19 set out below in Table 1 and further auction parameters set out in table 2. We note that the parameters set out in table 1 may be refined subject to the prequalification and the appeals process.

| Parameter | Value | Explanation |
|-----------------------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| Target capacity for 2014 T- | 50,800MW | Recommended target amount in |
| 4 auction | | ECR (53,300MW) with a reduction |
| | | of 2,500MW which will be set aside |
| | | for a T-1 auction |
| Maximum capacity | 49,300MW | Target capacity minus 1,500MW |
| demanded at the price cap | | |
| Minimum capacity | 52,300MW | Target capacity plus 1,500MW |
| demanded at £0/kW/year | | |

Table 1 – Target volume to procure in the capacity auction to be held this year for delivery in 2018/19

Table 2 – Other Auction Parameters

| Parameter | Value |
|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Non Variable Price-Duration | Non Variable |
| Auction or Variable price | Price Auction |
| auction | |
| Price decrements for | £5/kW/year |
| auction rounds | - |
| Auction start time | 09:00am |

| Auction window i.e. start to | 1 hour and 30 |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| end time for round | minutes |
| Time between rounds | 30 minutes |
| Number of auction rounds | 4 rounds per |
| | day |
| Number of auction days | 4 days |
| Reliability standard (LOLE) | 3hours/year |
| 15 Year Minimum £/kW | £250/kW de- |
| Threshold | rated capacity |
| 3 Year Minimum £/kW | £125/kW de- |
| Threshold | rated capacity |
| Price cap | £75/kW/yr |
| Net Cone | £49/kW/yr |
| Price Taker | £25/kW/yr |
| Threshold | |

Table footnote: All prices are based to 2012. Actual capacity payments made would be the 2012 price indexed to a point ahead of the 2018 Delivery Year (by the CPI All Items index)

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