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Dear Colleague,

NOTICE OF CHANGES TO STANDARD CONNECTIONS CHARGES

National Grid's standard connection charges are being updated with effect from 1 October 2010.

The changes are being made to reflect changes in the costs of providing these services in each of our four distribution networks.

The new standard charges are set out in Appendix 1 to this letter.

Should you have any questions or require clarification on the information provided, please contact me.

Yours faithfully

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APPENDIX 1

REVISED STANDARD CONNECTION CHARGES FROM 1 OCTOBER 2010

Table 1. Standard Connection Charges

Charges Excl. VAT	Length on Private	North West	West Midlands	East of England	London
National Grid to Excavate / Backfill or Insert New Service	0m	£195	£217	£184	£338
	<=40m	£518	£659	£604	£946
Customer to Pre-excavate / Backfill in Private	<=40m	£215	£275	£265	£436

Table 2. Standard Service Disconnection Charges

Charges Excl. VAT		North	West	East of	London
All Surface Categories	<= 63mm PE / 2" met	£335	£507	£591	£685
	90mm PE / 3" met	£600	£853	£1,054	£1,089
	125mm PE / 4" met	£810	£1,037	£1,392	£1,189
	180mm / 6" met	£1,088	£1,399	£1,869	£1,614

NB: PE = Polyethylene service pipe; met = Metallic service pipe

Table 3. Standard Service Alteration Charges

Charges Excl. VAT	Alteration Length	North West	West Midlands	East of England	London
National Grid Excavate and Reinstale	0<=2m	£533	£633	£658	£883
	>2<=10m	£684	£883	£855	£1,039
	>10<=20m	£1,068	£1,335	£1,339	£1,646
Customer to Pre-excavate / Backfill in Private*	0<=2m	£263	£302	£313	£411
	>2<=10m	£350	£434	£423	£495
	>10<=20m	£548	£637	£667	£810

* Customers must take note of key supporting information regarding the "customer pre-excavate and backfill in private" option for service alterations, provided upon application for this service.

Table 3a - Meter Relocation and Reconnection Charges to be Deducted Where Excluded

Charges Excl. VAT	
0<=2m	£64**
>2<=10m	£89**
>10<=20m	£186**

** Meter relocation charges are included within the charges shown in Table 3, but are deducted where:

- the customer chooses to have this work carried out by an independent service provider.
- other circumstances exist which make meter relocation and reconnection impossible in one visit, e.g. no meter on site; changes to meter capacity or to a non-standard meter box type.