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Andrew Bonfield

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John Pettigrew



# Highlights

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# HY 2017/18 financial performance

OPERATING PROFIT<sup>1</sup>  
Excluding Timing

**£1.4bn**

HY17 **£1.3bn**

EARNINGS PER SHARE  
Excluding Timing

**20.4p**

HY17 **22.2p<sup>2</sup>**

DIVIDEND PER SHARE

**15.49p**

HY17 **15.17p**

CAPITAL INVESTMENT<sup>3</sup>

**£2.0bn**

HY17 **£1.9bn**

1 Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

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3 Capital investment includes investment in JVs, excluding equity contributions to St William property JV

# Safety and reliability remain core

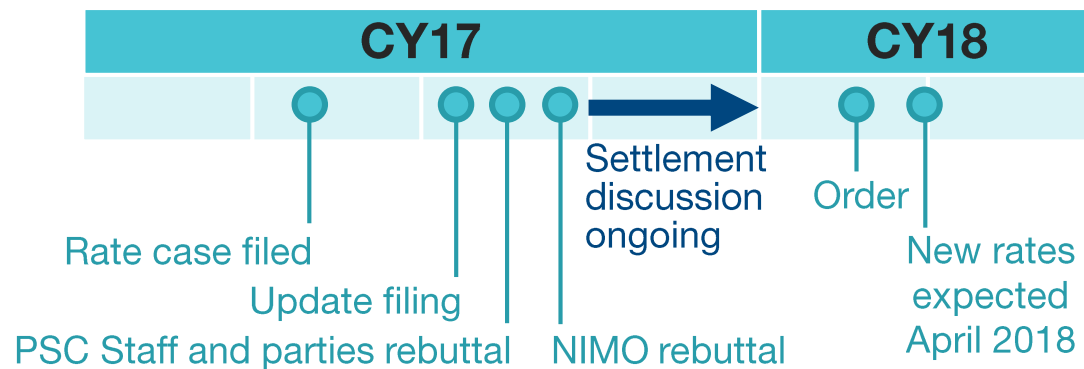
- On track to achieve world class performance
- Severe storms in our service areas
  - 400,000 customers affected
  - Strong response provided
- UK System Operator prepared for winter
  - Capacity market auction driving increased winter margins
  - 10.3% de-rated capacity margin forecast



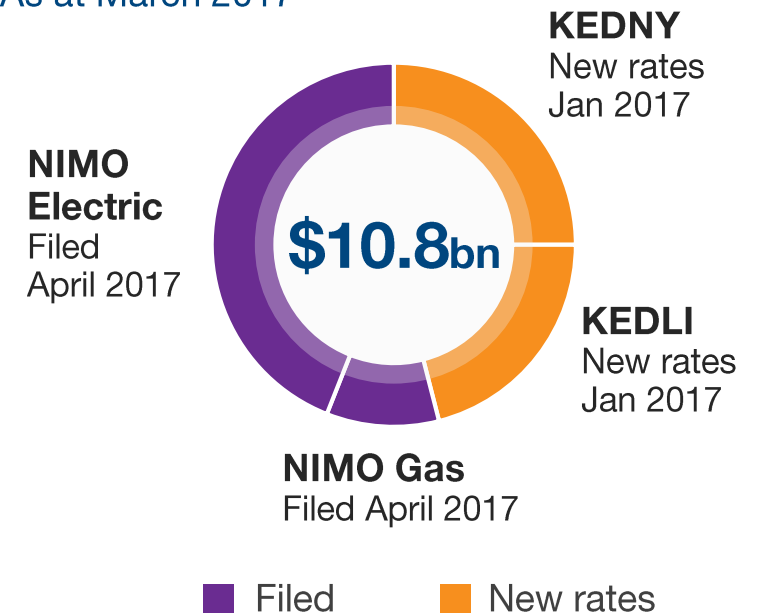
# US rate filings support growth and performance

- Niagara Mohawk (NIMO) in rate case settlement discussions
- NIMO represents over 50% of New York rate base
- New rates expected from April 2018
- 70% of US rate base will have new rates
- Rate cases contributing to improving US returns

## NIMO rate case progress



## New York Rate Base As at March 2017



# UK focus on efficiency and innovation

- Majority of UK GD sale proceeds returned
  - £3.2bn returned via special dividend
  - 60% of £0.8bn share buyback complete to date
- Innovation and efficiency driving savings for customers
  - £460m of savings generated under RII0
- System operator separation framework agreed



## St Fergus UK's largest import terminal

- Innovative technique to deal with corrosion of pipework
- Projected savings of ~ £10m



# NG Ventures progressing well



## Nemo Link

Completed the first cable laying activities

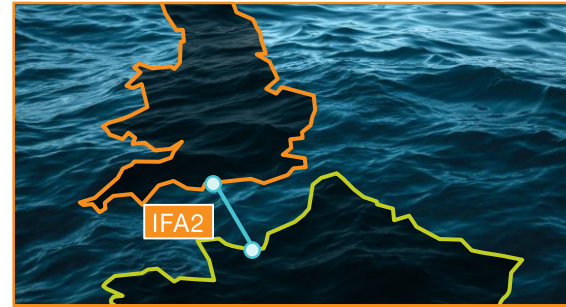
- 1 GW, 140km link to Belgium
- Expect to commission in 2019



## North Sea Link

Norwegian civil site works completed

- 1.4GW, 720km link to Norway
- Expect to commission in 2022



## IFA 2

Design and permitting stage

- 1GW, 240km link to France
- Expect to commission in late 2020



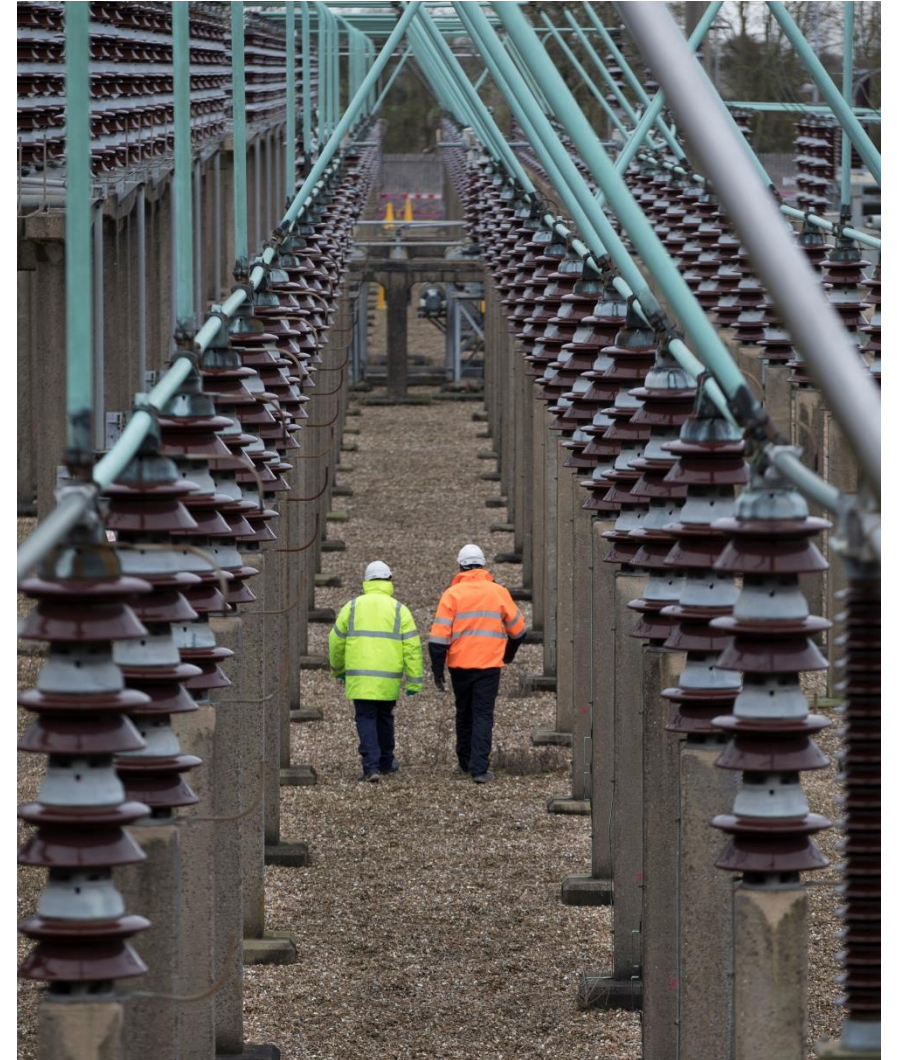
## Shetland link

Awarded preferred bid status for innovative new solution

- 60MW, 260 km link
- Expect to commission in 2021

# Summary

- Good progress on key priorities
  - Continued delivery of US regulatory strategy
  - Efficiency and innovation in the UK
  - Progressing new developments in NG Ventures



# Financial performance

**ANDREW BONFIELD**  
FINANCE DIRECTOR



# Financial highlights

OPERATING PROFIT<sup>1</sup>

**£1.3bn**

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# UK Electricity Transmission

OUTLOOK	Totex incentive ▼	Other incentives ▼	Additional allowances ◀▶	RoE ▼
FY17	190bps	70bps	80bps	13.6%

## OPERATING PROFIT

**£542m** -22%

HY17 £697m

## OPERATING PROFIT Excluding Timing

**£540m** -11%

HY17 £610m

## CAPITAL INVESTMENT

**£515m**

HY17 £586m

- H1 operating profit decrease due to expected price control model adjustments (MOD) and timing
- Reduced other incentive opportunity from BSIS
- Expect continued good level of returns outperformance

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

# UK Gas Transmission

OUTLOOK	Totex incentive	Other incentives	Additional allowances	RoE
FY17	(80)bps	110bps	50bps	10.8%

## OPERATING PROFIT

**£126m** -21%

HY17 £159m

## OPERATING PROFIT Excluding Timing

**£144m** +25%

HY17 £115m

## CAPITAL INVESTMENT

**£157m**

HY17 £116m

- H1 operating profit decrease due to adverse timing not wholly offset by MOD increases to revenue
- Returns to be around the allowed level as legacy allowances end
- Avonmouth MOD adjustment of £85m expected in FY2018/19
  - no impact on returns and RAV

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

## US Regulated

## OUTLOOK

Targeting 90% of allowed

▲ RoE

## OPERATING PROFIT

£433m

HY17 £435m

## CAPITAL INVESTMENT

£1.1bn

HY17 £1.1bn

OPERATING PROFIT  
Excluding Timing

£526m +19%

HY17 £441m

- H1 operating profit flat; increased revenue from new rates and favourable currency offset by adverse timing
- IFRS operating profit excluding timing expected to increase 7% per year on average over the medium term from 2016/17
- US profitability significantly weighted to H2

Capital investment calculated at constant currency

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

# NG Ventures

<b>OPERATING PROFIT</b>	<b>£83m</b> Metering	<b>£37m</b> Grain LNG	<b>£34m</b> IFA	<b>£(22)m</b> Other	<b>£132m</b>
	<b>HY17</b> £86m	<b>HY17</b> £35m	<b>HY17</b> £35m	<b>HY17</b> £(18)m	<b>HY17</b> £138m

<b>POST TAX SHARE of JVs</b>	<b>£18m</b> BritNed	<b>£6m</b> Millenium	<b>£24m</b>		
	<b>HY17</b> £28m	<b>HY17</b> £6m	<b>HY17</b> £34m		

**TOTAL INVESTMENT** **£180m**  
HY17 £87m

- FY2017/18 NGV operating profit is expected to be in line with last year

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



# Other activities

<b>OPERATING PROFIT</b>	<b>£53m</b> Property	<b>£(27)m</b> Corporate centre and other	<b>£26m</b>
	<b>HY17 £44m</b>	<b>£(31)m</b>	<b>HY17 £13m</b>

<b>POST TAX SHARE of JVs</b>	<b>£(4)m</b> St. William	<b>£55m</b> Cadent	<b>£51m</b>
	<b>HY17 £(3)m</b>	<b>£71m<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>HY17 £68m</b>

**TOTAL INVESTMENT<sup>2</sup>** **£53m**  
HY17 **£42m**

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Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

- Lower Cadent contribution due to the expected reduction in base allowed revenues and adverse timing
- £15m shareholder loan interest income recognised through the interest line rather than the JV line

# Mechanics of changes in inflation and interest

## UK

### Inflation

- £19bn asset base, partially hedged by £7bn RPI linked debt
- Inflation deferred into RAV to keep consumer cost lower in short term
- Regulatory mechanism creates two year lag in revenue true up
- Inflation economically positive – 100bps RPI increase creates £120m additional value

### Interest

- 10 year lagging tracker offers protection in rising or falling interest rate environment
- Outperformance through issuing at lower than index spot

£19bn  
RAV

**100bps** inflation  
increase gives:

**+£190m**

£7bn  
RPI debt

**£(70)m**

## US

### Inflation

- Nominal regulation allows assumed in-year inflation recovery
- Rate filings key to regular inflation recovery on cost of service and RoE

### Interest

- Cost of debt passed through to customers

# Interest, tax and earnings

## FINANCE COSTS

**£527m**

23% higher than HY17<sup>1</sup>

- Higher RPI
- Effective interest rate of 4.7%

## EFFECTIVE TAX RATE<sup>2</sup>

**20.8%**

at £(152)m

- Tax rate 200bps lower than HY17<sup>1</sup>
- Tax charge £79m lower than HY17

## EARNINGS

**£654m**

HY17 £885m<sup>1</sup>

- 3,539m weighted average shares
- 18.5p/share

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<sup>2</sup> Excluding joint ventures and associates

Adjusted results, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements

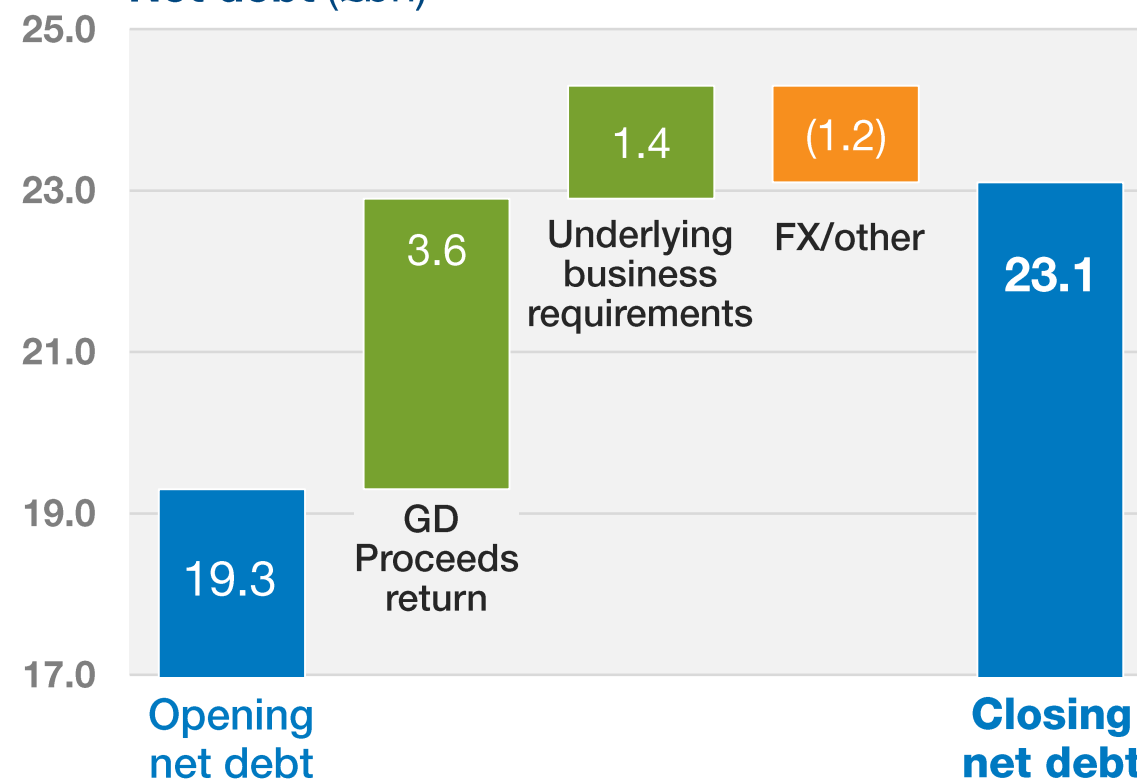
# Cash flow and Net debt

£m

Period ended 30 September 2017

Operating profit	1,259
Depreciation & amortisation	762
Pensions	(124)
Working capital & other	125
<b>Net operating cash flow</b>	<b>2,022</b>
<b>Net debt</b>	<b>(23,075)</b>

## Net debt (£bn)



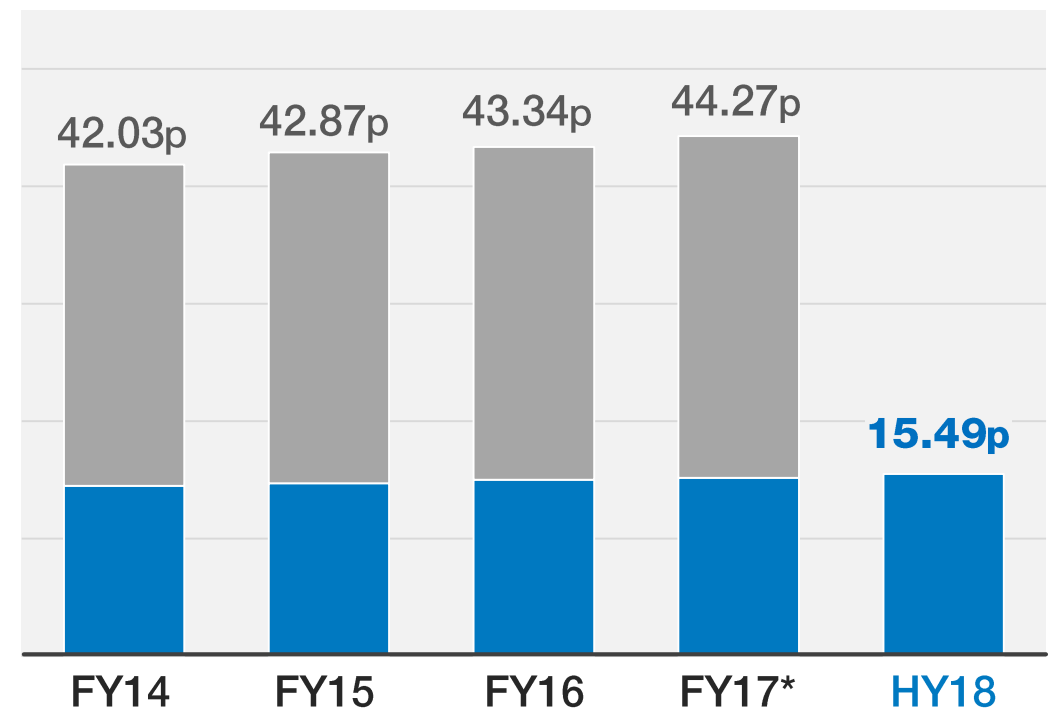
Adjusted results for continuing operations, excluding exceptional items and remeasurements



# Dividend and scrip

- 15.49p (35% of prior year full year dividend)
- Full year dividend to grow at least in line with UK RPI
- Scrip option to continue
- Remainder of buyback programme expected to be completed by April 2018
- Average share count reduced by ~300m in 2017/18; ~400m impact in 2018/19

## Dividend per share



\* Excludes special dividend of 84.375p

# FY17/18 Technical guidance

2016/17 proforma<sup>1</sup> adjusted EPS excluding timing of 58.6p

## UK Regulated

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

## US Regulated

- Performance expected to improve and targeting 90% of allowed RoE
- NYSERDA timing over collections

## NG Ventures and other activities

- Overall contribution expected to be in line with last year<sup>1</sup>
- Additional £22m amortisation of purchase price adjustments for Cadent

## Net debt

- Expected to increase as proceeds from Gas Distribution sale are returned

## Interest charge

- Expected to increase due to higher RPI

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# Summary

- Financial performance in line with expectations
- Significantly stronger H2 expected, driven by US seasonality
- Increased capital investment
- Robust financial position



# Priorities & Outlook

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# Maintaining our strong customer focus in a dynamic UK environment

- National Grid has delivered value for customers
  - Invested almost £14bn in critical transmission infrastructure over the past 10 years
  - Transmission costs represent just 3% of average household bill
- Affordability has been and continues to be a high priority
- National Grid is a responsible organisation focused on delivering world-class services at lower costs for bill payers





# UK business focused on regulatory outcomes

## Hinkley Seabank consultation

- Committed to providing necessary network connections
- Significant project with estimated costs of almost £1bn
- Responded to Ofgem consultation
- Regulatory clarity will enable timely delivery of the connection
- Ofgem decision on 'needs case' expected in December and on preferred delivery model in 2018

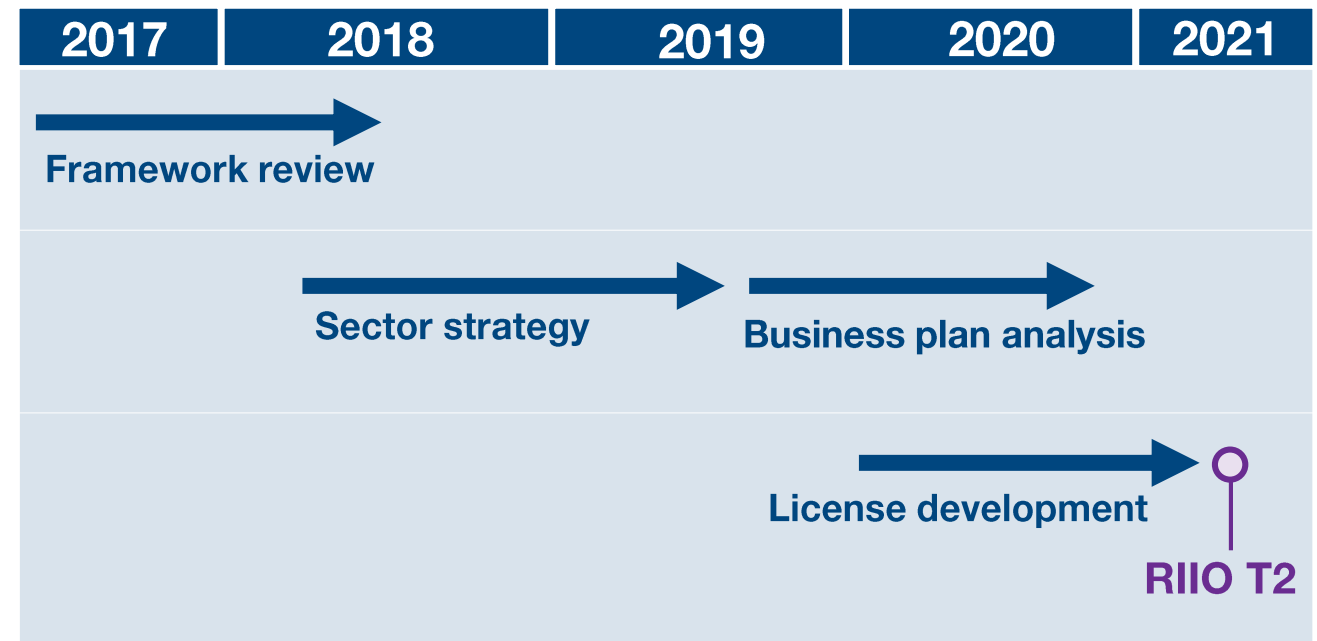


# UK business focused on regulatory outcomes

## RIIO T2

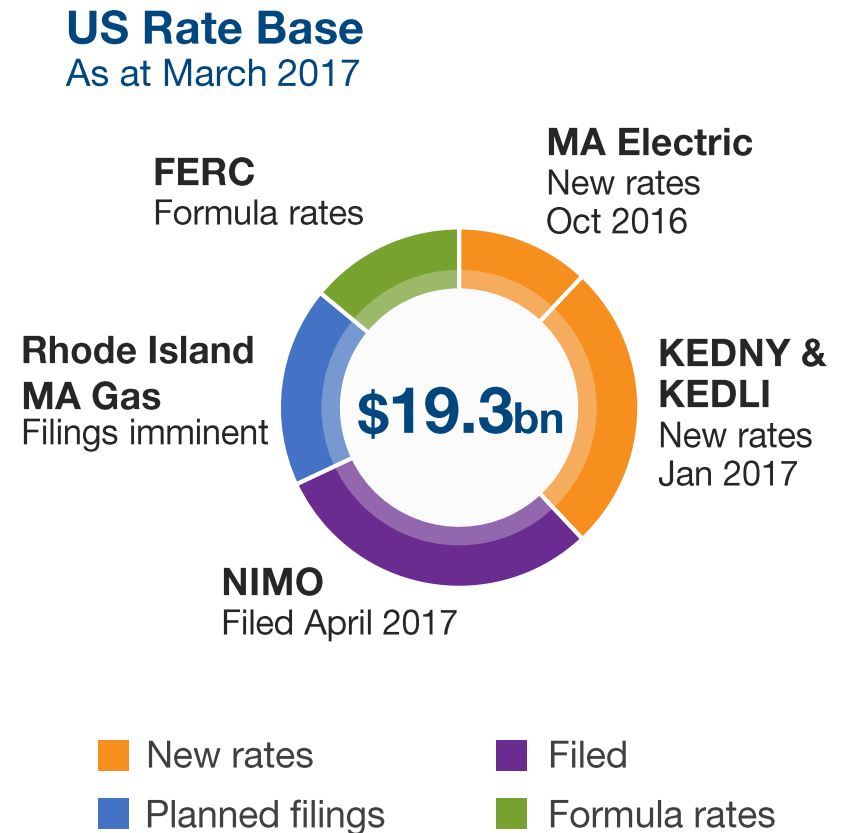
- Ofgem open letter kick started lengthy review to 2021
- We share the principle of putting the customer at the heart of decisions
- Framework decision in 2018
- RIIO T2 framework should ensure efficient delivery of needed investment
- National Grid has a track record of delivering on price controls
  - For customers and shareholders

### RIIO T2 Timeline



# US rate case programme to continue

- Niagara Mohawk engaged in settlement discussions with new rates expected in April 2018
- MA Gas and Rhode Island to be filed this month
  - 20% of US rate base
  - To be filed after a long period
  - To update revenues to closely reflect current cost of service
  - Will enable us to earn a fair level of return



# Efficient delivery of US growth projects

- Focus on delivering significantly increased capex
- Capital Delivery function taking shape

## Metropolitan Reliability Infrastructure

**\$250m**

potential investment for five year project to support Brooklyn's long-term system demands

- Installing 7 miles of 30-inch gas main
- Increase operational reliability

## Northwest Nassau Gas Transmission Reliability

**\$280m**

potential investment for six year gas reliability project on Long Island

- Installing 11 miles of 24-inch gas main
- Increase operational reliability





# Continue to evolve and drive the networks of the future

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## Declining renewables and storage costs



UK contracts for difference auction delivered offshore wind at a significantly lower cost

US solar costs have fallen 85% since 2009



Lithium battery costs have fallen 73% since 2010

## Driving opportunities across the value chain

- Connected the US's first offshore windfarm in Rhode Island
- Won competitive project to develop 23MW of utility scale solar on Long Island
- Increasing solar and storage capacity in Massachusetts rate base
- Developing our first large scale battery 48MWh storage system on Nantucket
- Opportunities to enable EV adoption



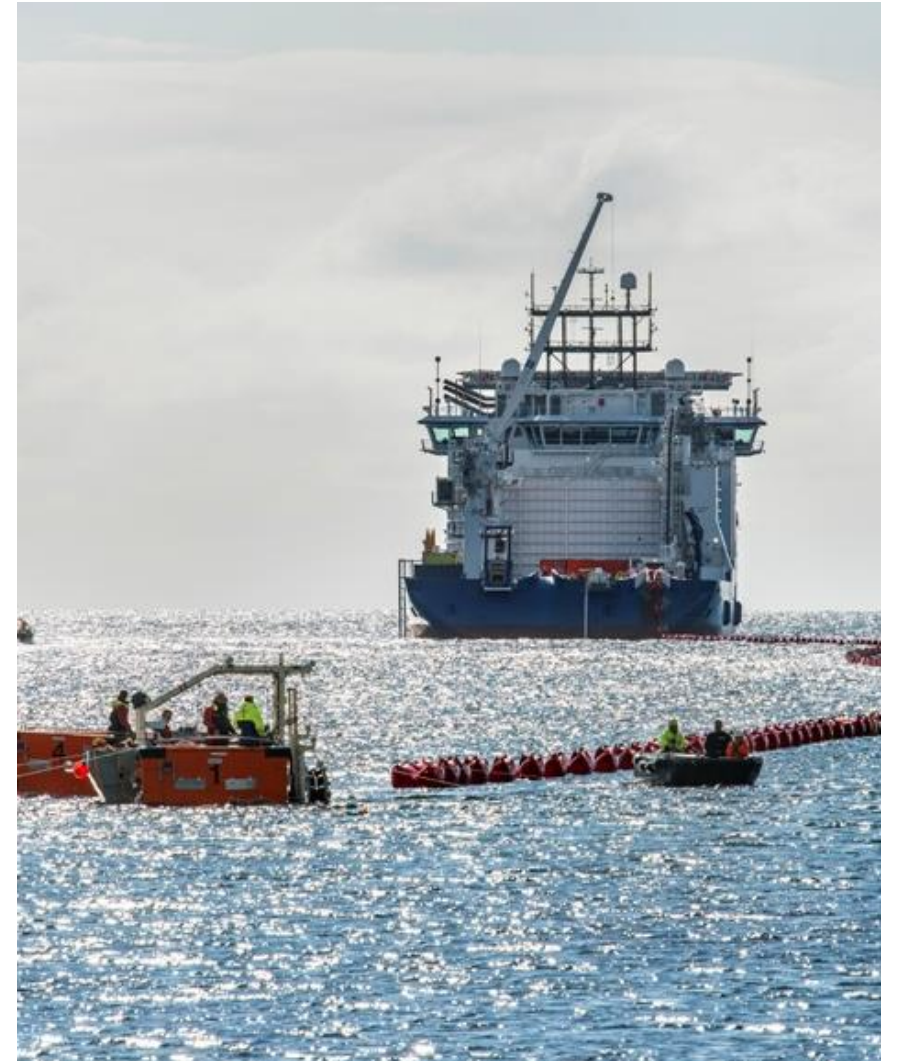
# Growing pipeline of projects for NG Ventures

## Further UK interconnector opportunities

- 1.4GW Viking Link to Denmark
- Investment decision in 2018

## US development opportunities

- Competitive transmission to bring onshore and offshore renewables
  - 1.2GW Granite State interconnector between Canada to New Hampshire
  - 600MW North East Renewable link between New York and Massachusetts
  - Tender results for both in early 2018
- Other opportunities in storage and EVs



# Summary

- Good progress across the Group
- Clear priorities moving forward
- Strong fundamentals that underpin long-term value creation
  - High quality asset portfolio
  - Strong balance sheet
  - Access to solid growth opportunities that underpin growth and yield
  - Excellent teams that are motivated to deliver
- Well positioned for attractive growth and returns



Q&A



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# 2017/18 Half Year Results Appendices

# Appendix 1

## Pensions & other post-retirement benefit obligations (IAS19 data)

	UK		US		Total
	ESPS	NGUK PS	Pensions	OPEBs <sup>1</sup>	
Market value of assets	2,967	12,229	6,271	2,491	<b>23,958</b>
Present value of liabilities	(3,114)	(11,591)	(6,874)	(3,511)	<b>(25,090)</b>
Net (liability) / asset	(147)	638	(603)	(1,020)	<b>(1,132)</b>
Deferred taxation	25	(108)	242	413	<b>572</b>
<b>(Liability) / asset net of taxation</b>	<b>(122)</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>(361)</b>	<b>(607)</b>	<b>(560)</b>
Discount rates	2.7%	2.7%	4.0%	4.0%	

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

<sup>1</sup> OPEBs = other post employment benefits



# Appendix 2

## Timing impacts

£m	UK Electricity Transmission	UK Gas Transmission	US Regulated	Total
1 April 2017 opening balance	(30)	112	318	400
Restatement of opening balance	(9)	(2)	10	(1)
Over/(under) recovery	2	(18)	(93)	(109)
<b>30 Sept 2017 closing balance to (recover) / return</b>	<b>(37)</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>290</b>
1 April 2016 opening balance	(171)	38	148	15
Restatement of opening balance	-	1	(21)	(20)
Over/(under) recovery	87	44	(6)	125
<b>30 Sept 2016 closing balance to (recover) / return</b>	<b>(84)</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>Year on year timing variance</b>	<b>(85)</b>	<b>(62)</b>	<b>(87)</b>	<b>(234)</b>

Opening and closing balances restated using the spot exchange rate as at 30 Sept 2017 (\$1.34 to £1.00)

Over/under recovery restated using the average rate for the 6 months to 30 Sept 2017 (\$1.31 to £1.00)

2016/17 opening balance restatement reflects finalisation of timing balances

## Appendix 3

### Weighted average number of shares

For the period ended 30 September	2017	2016 Continuing	2016 Including GD stake <sup>2</sup>
<b>Number of shares (millions):</b>			
Prior period as reported (weighted average)	-	3,763	3,763
Current period opening shares	3,750	-	-
August 2017 dividend scrip shares	3	-	-
Other share movements (weighted from issuance/repurchase) <sup>1</sup>	(214)	-	(230)
<b>Weighted average number of shares</b>	<b>3,539</b>	3,763	3,533
Business performance earnings (£m)	653	802	885
Business performance EPS	<b>18.5p</b>	21.3p	25.0p

<sup>1</sup> September 2017 figure includes the effect of the Share Consolidation and the Share Buy-back Programme, September 2016 includes the estimated effect of the Share Consolidation and the Share Buy-back Programme.

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## Appendix 4

Income statements from continuing operations adjusted to include 39% of Cadent<sup>1</sup>

Income statement, £m	6 months to September 2017	6 months to September 2016	Year ended March 2017
Adjusted operating profit (excluding timing)	1,368	1,318	3,375
Net financing costs	(527)	(429)	(1,000)
Post tax share of JVs & associates (Cadent)	55	71	144
Post tax share of JVs & associates (Other)	20	31	63
Adjusted profit before tax (excluding timing)	916	991	2,582
Tax	(192)	(207)	(553)
Non-controlling interest	(1)	-	-
<b>Profit after tax for the period (excluding timing)</b>	<b>723</b>	<b>784</b>	<b>2,029</b>
Weighted average number of shares (estimated) (million)	3,539	3,533	3,463
<b>Earnings per share (excluding timing) (pence)</b>	<b>20.4</b>	<b>22.2</b>	<b>58.6</b>
Profit after tax for the period (excluding timing)	723	784	2,029
Timing	(109)	125	398
Taxation on timing	40	(24)	(119)
<b>Profit after tax for the period (including timing)</b>	<b>654</b>	<b>885</b>	<b>2,308</b>
<b>Earnings per share (including timing) (pence)</b>	<b>18.5</b>	<b>25.0</b>	<b>66.6</b>

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