



Office of Utility Regulation

Media Release

Regulator publishes Application Procedures for Licensing New Entrants to the Guernsey Electricity Generation Market; Welcomes GE's publication of Statement on Connection and Use of System Charges

The Director General of Utility Regulation, Regina Finn, has today, 17th May 2002, published the application procedures for new entrants wishing to enter the electricity generation market in Guernsey.

The Information Note and Application Form are now available from the OUR and briefly describe those services that require a licence whilst providing references to a number of other more detailed information documents which may assist interested parties in considering whether or not they require a licence.

The Regulator said "This is a very important step in the development of the electricity generation market on the island. OUR is providing information to the market on the timetable for receipt of applications and grant of licences, setting out the information required from applicants and the procedures to be followed in making an application including the fee payable on application."

In a related development the Regulator announced that Guernsey Electricity has today published its first version of its Statement of Connection and Use of System Charges which is freely available via the GE website (www.electricity.gg).

Regina Finn commented "This document represents an important step in opening up the generation market to competition. It provides a description of the principles that GE will apply to set connection charges and sets out the company's policy on use of system charges.

I am particularly interested to hear from affected parties whether the document meets their needs and whether they consider there should be any further information and/or changes in the document, although interested parties are also welcome to comment to GE directly should they wish to do so.”

An information note inviting comments is available on the OUR’s website at www.regutil.gg.

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For further information call the Office of Utility Regulation on 711120

The following OUR Documents referred to in this press release are available on the OUR website (www.regutil.gg):

OUR 02/17 Publication of Statement of Connection and Use of System Charges by Guernsey Electricity Ltd: Information Notice

OUR 02/16: Application for a Licence to Generate Electricity in Guernsey: Information Notice and Application Form

OUR 02/06 Direction on Exemptions from the Requirement to hold a Licence Issued under Section 1(2) of the Electricity (Guernsey) Law 2001.

OUR 02/04 Electricity Licence Conditions.