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Information Note and Direction

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Background

The purpose of setting a maximum resale price for electricity is to protect customers who do not purchase electricity directly from a licensed electricity supplier but from a third party. A typical example would be where a landlord pays for the electricity used by their tenants and separately charges the tenant for electricity, often via the landlord's meter.

Historically, the States Electricity Board had the ability to set the maximum resale price of electricity under The Electricity Law 1933¹. On 1st February 2002, this power transferred to the Director General of Utility Regulation under Section 23 of The Electricity (Guernsey) Law, 2001, which empowers the Director General to set the maximum price at which electricity may be resold on the Island of Guernsey².

In line with the overall increase in electricity prices set out in the Final Decision document of the Director General's 2011 Review of Guernsey Electricity³ prices, the maximum resale price now needs to be revised.

Maximum Charges in accordance with section 23 of the Electricity (Guernsey) Law, 2001: Direction

The Director General of Utility Regulation, in accordance with the powers granted under section 23(2) of the Electricity (Guernsey) Law, 2001, hereby fixes the maximum price at which electricity to which section 23 applies may be resold at 15.63 pence per kilowatt hour, from 1 April 2011.

¹ Loi relative à la Fourniture de L'Électricité par les États, 1933

² Separate arrangements apply to the electricity sectors elsewhere in the Bailiwick of Guernsey

³ Guernsey Electricity Price Review: Final Decision, OUR 11/05

The Director General further directs Guernsey Electricity Limited in accordance with section 23(2)(b) of the Electricity (Guernsey) Law 2001 to publish this maximum resale price in a manner that will secure adequate publicity for it, including but not limited to publication on the Guernsey Electricity Limited website.

If any person resells electricity to which section 23 of the Electricity (Guernsey) Law, 2001 applies, at a price exceeding the maximum price of 15.63 pence per kilowatt hour, the excess shall be recoverable by the person to whom the electricity was resold as a civil debt in accordance with section 23(4) of that Law.

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