

## **ERGEG RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE 10-YEAR GAS NETWORK DEVELOPMENT PLAN – SSE's Comments**

SSE welcomes ERGEG's recommendations on the 10-year Gas Network Development Plan. We believe that the 10-year Gas Network Development Plan has an important role to play in improving security of supply and ensuring effective competition and efficient market functioning.

SSE is a 50% equity holder of Scotia Gas Networks plc, which owns and operates the Scotland and the Southern gas distribution networks, delivering gas to around 5.7 million customers. As part of our distribution licence obligations, each year we prepare a 10 Year Development Statement which is submitted to the National Regulatory Authority, Ofgem, and published on our website. All UK gas distribution and transmission networks have this obligation and this practice has been working well in the UK for a number of years.

If you would like further information on the 10 Year Development Statement, we would be delighted to discuss it with you.