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Dear UK Government,

**Prioritising growth for a more prosperous Britain – Concerns over zonal pricing**

We, the undersigned, represent a cross-sector coalition of leading businesses and organisations with a shared desire to invest in Britain's future.

Whether it is building homegrown energy infrastructure, harnessing the data and AI opportunity to build a new Silicon Valley in the UK, building our manufacturing capabilities in the UK's industrial heartlands or drawing global capital into the UK, the sectors we represent have a major role to play in supporting the Government's efforts to create a more prosperous future for Britain.

We therefore applaud your focus on unlocking infrastructure investment to drive economic growth and energy security, particularly the bold steps taken already to speed up planning processes.

The Government has sent a strong signal that growth is its primary objective – and that it is willing to take difficult choices in order to deliver it.

In this context, we are writing to share our grave concern that this progress is being actively undermined by proposals to implement zonal electricity pricing.

Such a move would create a postcode lottery which adds significant, unmanageable risk for energy users and investors.

Impossible to implement before at least 2032, it would do nothing to reduce bills and is instead driving up the cost of investment today and is completely at odds with the Government's Clean Power Mission – which will require a once in a century level of investment in infrastructure.

The uncertainty embedded in these reforms is already delaying investment, and such uncertainty is incompatible with efforts to implement a long-term industrial strategy.

We do need to evolve the current electricity pricing system to ensure it's fit for a clean power future. And under a reformed national market, we can deliver the necessary changes ahead of 2030 in a way that keeps low-cost investment flowing.

As a group of organisations committed to the UK, we are keen to support the Government's growth agenda by ramping up investment. For this to happen, we need stable and predictable policies that provide confidence, not increased uncertainty and risk.

**We therefore urge you to rule out zonal pricing at the earliest opportunity** to enable an unambiguous focus on driving economic growth through investment and infrastructure development.

In a global race for investment, this would send a welcome signal that the UK is serious about regaining its position as one of the most attractive places in the world to do business and invest in infrastructure.

We stand ready to work with you to go further and faster to spur economic growth across the UK. With the right focus and leadership, together we can achieve our shared goal of securing a more prosperous and sustainable economic future for Britain.

Yours sincerely,

The 55 signatories

## List of signatories

- **BAM UK & Ireland** – Construction and infrastructure contractor with over 6,500 employees, and turnover of £2.5bn in 2024. Supporting delivery of new generation and transmission assets to support clean power in the UK. Part of Royal BAM Group.
- **BayWa r.e. UK** – At BayWa r.e. we r.e.think energy, with a development pipeline of over 3GW across wind, solar and battery technologies.
- **BlueFloat Energy & Nadara Partnership** – 50/50 Joint Venture with 3.8GW of ScotWind floating offshore wind projects, committed to spend £4bn across the Scottish supply chain.
- **Boralex** – Listed on the Toronto stock exchange and with an installed capacity of 3.1GW in Canada and France, is developing and constructing a 1GW portfolio in Scotland, representing ~£1bn on inward investment by 2030.
- **Brookfield** – Global investment firm, \$1trillion under management, £60 billion invested in the UK.
- **Centrica** – FTSE100, committed to energising a greener, fairer future with a talented team of 20,000 colleagues by investing up to £4bn by 2028 and training 3,500 apprentices by 2030.
- **Clean Energy Transition** – London-based alternative investment manager. We are committed to accelerating the transition into a clean energy system through effective capital deployment and proactive engagement with all stakeholders.
- **Constantine Energy Storage** – Deploying over 1.2GW of storage across the UK by 2030.
- **Corio Generation** – UK headquartered global offshore wind developer advancing almost 6 GW of projects in UK waters, including West of Orkney (2GW) in Scotland and Outer Dowsing (1.5GW) in Lincolnshire.
- **Cubico Sustainable Investments** – UK headquartered global renewable energy company owned by OTPP and PSP, with 2.8GW of operational projects, 0.5GW in construction and over 17GW in development.
- **CWP Energy** – Since inception in 2001, CWP has played a leading role in renewable energy generation in the UK, dynamically evolving with a renewable portfolio exceeding 3GW and £1bn investment in the UK.
- **Dalmore capital** – Independent fund management company with ~£6bn Assets Under Management headquartered in the UK that acquires, manages and holds infrastructure assets to deliver long term value for investors.
- **Ecotricity** – Britain's independent, not-for-dividend green energy supplier, reinvesting profits to build new renewable sources, create green jobs, and drive the transition to a fossil-free future.
- **EDP Renewables** – Global leader in renewable energy development with a presence in four regions including Europe, North America, South America and Asia Pacific.
- **EnBW** – A fully-integrated German utility, with assets and operations in generation, transmission, distribution and supply. We're developing a 5.9GW UK pipeline of offshore wind as part of a 50/50 JV with BP.
- **Encirc** – Part of the Vidrala Group, making 3bn glass containers each year, employing 2000 people across 3 sites in the UK.

- **ERG** – A leading independent renewable energy company, operating across Europe and in the United States.
- **ESB** – Ireland's foremost energy company, active in GB for over 30 years, investing around £2bn. We are excited to be advancing our offshore wind projects in Scotland and our support for testing the future of hydrogen at Carrington.
- **Field** – UK developer active in the UK and EU, with a 1.5GW development pipeline of battery storage projects in Great Britain.
- **Flotation Energy** – Flotation Energy is an ambitious offshore wind developer, with portfolio that covers both fixed and floating developments globally.
- **Fred. Olsen Renewables** – Fred. Olsen Renewables is a green energy developer and operator, with 805MW across the UK, Norway and Sweden, and a pipeline of more than 1GW, including two wind farms in construction in the UK.
- **Global Energy Group** – UK-based energy infrastructure and services provider, investing £120m+ in the Port of Nigg to support renewables, enabling 3.5GW of offshore wind, and driving the energy transition across key sectors.
- **Green Power International** – One of the leading independent renewable energy developers in the UK, and is based in Scotland. GreenPower develops, constructs and operates projects and is involved in wind, solar, hydro and green hydrogen.
- **Greencoat Wind UK** – The leading listed renewable energy infrastructure fund, invested in operating UK wind farms with a market capitalisation of c.£3.2bn.
- **Hitachi Energy** – Part of Hitachi Group, Headquartered in Switzerland, investing £3.6bn, creating >10,000 jobs globally and doubling UK workforce over a 5 year period.
- **Infinis** – Owned by 3i Infrastructure plc, leading UK generator of low carbon power from captured methane with projected £300m to be deployed in UK on further renewable generation and energy storage
- **InterGen** – Independent power generator headquartered in the UK for the last 30 years. Our portfolio of thermal assets power over three million homes across the UK, helping to meet around 5% of the country's peak demand.
- **Invenergy** – The world's largest privately-held developer, owner, and operator of clean energy solutions, with over 2,800 employees worldwide, \$67bn in transactions completed and ambitious clean energy investment plans for the UK.
- **Masdar UK** – Backed by the Abu Dhabi powerhouses Mubadala, TAQA & ADNOC, Masdar UK is an active investor & co-developer in nearly 5GW of offshore wind capacity under development & operational in the UK, with a team of >60 experts.
- **Montrose Port Authority** – A trust port on Scotland's Northeast Coast, supporting 450+ jobs and serving as a key hub for transport, logistics and energy, particularly the growing renewables sector.
- **Muirhall Energy** – Muirhall Energy is a people-focussed Scottish developer and operator of UK renewable energy projects.
- **Nadara** – One of Europe's largest renewable energy independent power producers with an installed capacity of 4.2GW, including 1GW of onshore wind in the UK.
- **Neos Networks** – The UK's largest business-dedicated telecoms network. Neos provides high capacity critical connectivity for businesses, from telecoms and energy to banking and emergency services.

- **NextEnergy Group** – Leading global renewables investment manager specialised on the solar + infrastructure sector. To date, NextEnergy Capital has invested more than £1.5bn into UK solar and energy storage.
- **Nordex UK** – 2.1GW of wind installed, driving energy security and the green transition with sustainable onshore wind solutions since 2002; part of the European-headquartered Nordex Group.
- **Ocean Winds** – Develops, finances, builds, and operates offshore wind farms globally, with 6.1GW of offshore wind projects under operation and development in the UK.
- **OnPath Energy** – A leading UK land-based renewable energy developer with a growing portfolio of onshore wind, solar and energy storage projects.
- **Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan** – Leading global investor with assets of C\$256bn, investing across public and private markets in over 50 countries, to deliver retirement income for 340,000 current and retired teachers in Ontario, Canada.
- **Ørsted** – Offshore wind global leader – 5.6GW installed in the UK – enough to power over 6 million homes. Over £15 billion invested in UK with another £15bn expected over next decade.
- **Railpen** – Responsible for around £34bn in assets for the 350,000 members of the railways pension schemes, as well as the administration of other pension schemes for energy and infrastructure companies with around 150,000 members.
- **Red Rock Renewables** – Investor, owner and developer and operators of renewable energy projects headquartered in Scotland.
- **RES** – The world's largest independent renewable energy company, which has delivered more than 27GW of renewable energy projects across the globe and supports 4,500 jobs.
- **RWE** – Leading power generator with ambition to invest around €8bn net in the years 2024 to 2030 in developing clean energy projects to support the UK energy transition.
- **Schroders Greencoat** – The infrastructure arm of Schroders Capital, is one of the largest specialist energy transition managers globally, managing 7.4GW across over 430 wind, solar and other energy transition assets.
- **Scottish Power** – Part of Iberdrola, one of the world's leading energy companies. We're investing £24bn between 2024 and 2028 in UK electricity networks and green generation, delivering energy security and thousands of skilled jobs.
- **Siemens Energy** – Global energy technology company invested >£0.5bn in UK in last decade. >6,000 UK employees, added 600 green jobs here in last year.
- **Sonnedix** – International renewable energy producer with a global portfolio of 11GW. Since 2010, investing the pensions of over 50 million people, amounting to \$7bn.
- **Sumitomo Electric UK Power Cables** – Scotland-based subsidiary of Sumitomo Electric, the Tokyo listed global leader in high voltage cabling with operations in 40 countries, investing £350m at the new subsea cable manufacturing facility at Nigg.
- **SSE** – FTSE 100, UK headquartered company investing £40bn in the decade up to 2032/33, creating over 1000 new green jobs every year.
- **TRIG** – Listed renewables investment company managed by InfraRed and RES. TRIG's 2.7GW portfolio includes onshore and offshore wind farms, solar parks and battery energy storage in the UK and Europe.

- **Uniper** – European energy company with the UK as a core market, making a tangible contribution to supply security and investing in new low carbon power and hydrogen in key locations.
- **Vattenfall** – Leading European energy company, operating in the UK since 2008. Provides clean energy to power over 800,000 homes, developing heat networks across the UK, connected over 50 British businesses to the grid.
- **Vestas** – Leading sustainable energy solutions provider and wind turbine manufacturer that's installed more wind power than anyone else, with over 180GW of turbines across 88 countries.
- **Voltaia** – An international energy producer and service provider, with 2.5GW in operation in 20 countries on 3 continents, employing over 2000 people.
- **Zenobē** – Leading clean tech business, headquartered in the UK with operations in Europe, Australia, New Zealand and the US, investing >£6bn to 2030 in grid-scale storage, electric fleets and second-life batteries.

## **Resources**

- Afry (2025) – [Enhanced national electricity market design for Great Britain](#)
- LCP Delta (2024) – [Zonal pricing in Great Britain: Assessing the impacts of the 'Beyond 2030' network plans](#)
- Regen (2024) – [Progressive market reform for a clean power system](#)
- UKERC (2025) – [Locational Signals in a Reformed National Market: A review of options](#)