Debt Investor Update
Full Year Results 2020/21

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## Financial performance highlights

### Solid delivery in 2021

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<td><strong>£3,283m</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Capital investment</strong></td>
<td><strong>£5,047m</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Underlying EPS</strong></td>
<td><strong>54.2p</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Asset growth</strong></td>
<td><strong>5.6%</strong></td>
<td><strong>340bps</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Return on Equity</strong></td>
<td><strong>10.6%</strong></td>
<td><strong>140bps</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Dividend growth</strong></td>
<td><strong>49.16p</strong></td>
<td><strong>1.2%</strong></td>
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**Underlying results from continuing operations excluding exceptional items, remeasurements, major storm costs (when greater than $100m) and timing**

**Capital investment includes investment in JVs (excluding equity contributions to St William property JV in FY20)**

**Operating profit and capital investment calculated at constant currency**
COVID update

• Continuing to deliver the service customers expect
• £355m adverse impact compared to guidance of £400m
  – Now recognised recoverability of £59m bad debt costs
• Net impact of £296m on operating profit
  – £120m residual bad debts
  – £78m revenue shortfall
  – £28m net direct costs
  – £70m delay in new rates for KEDNY and KEDLI
• Cash impact of £600m
• Expect to recover majority of costs over time
Safety and reliability

Safety
• Reduction in lost time injury frequency rates
• UK best ever year of safety performance
• NG Ventures small rise in minor incidents

Reliability
• Excellent reliability across UK regulated networks
• ESO adapted to meet resilience challenges from low demand and high renewables generation
• Highest gas demand in a decade managed without incident or disruption
• Excellent US reliability, despite significant increase in storms
Progress on operational priorities

Underlying operational delivery
• Achieved ROE 7.2%
• ROE 8.6% adjusting for impact of COVID, non-deferrable storm costs and impact of rate case delays – 92% of allowed return
• Investment increased to $4.3bn
  – 350 miles gas pipeline replacement
  – Over half way through 20,000 mile replacement programme

Regulatory progress
• KEDNY / KEDLI joint proposal reached
• Niagara Mohawk rate filing outcome expected in summer
• Filed for new rates in Massachusetts Gas
• Selected as partner for Northern New York Priority Transmission Project

Working to minimise storm impacts
• Upgrading infrastructure
• New technology improving resilience
• Cost recovery mechanisms and incentives for future rate cases

Number of Storms

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Progress on operational priorities

Successful end to RIIO-1
- >£12.5bn invested over 8 years\(^1\)
- 12.6% achieved ROE
  - Within target range of 200-300bp outperformance
- Invested £1.2bn in FY21
  - Hinkley-Seabank connection
  - London Power Tunnels 2

Delivering innovative solutions
- Smart Wires supporting renewable generation connections
- FutureGrid project to test repurposing gas transmission network for hydrogen

RIIO-T2 broad acceptance of final determination
- CMA appeal on cost of equity and outperformance wedge

\(^1\) Electricity transmission, gas transmission and gas distribution up until point of sale.
Progress on operational priorities

**Interconnector progress**
- IFA2 commissioned
- North Sea Link & Viking Link on track

**Multi-purpose interconnectors**
- Collaboration with Elia and TenneT

**Growth in US onshore renewables**
- >400MW operational
- 600MW under construction

**Other**
- Lower profitability from fewer land development sales
Interest, tax and earnings

Finance costs
£942m
8% lower than FY20³

- Lower RPI and borrowing rates
- Effective interest rate of 3.2%

Underlying effective tax rate¹
21.2%
Underlying tax charge: £(496)m

- 130 bps higher than prior year
- Smaller impact from tax credits relating to prior years

Underlying earnings²
£1,910m
FY20: £2,014m

- 3,523m weighted average shares
- 54.2p/share

¹ Excluding joint ventures and associates.
² Underlying results attributable to equity shareholders.
³ At constant currency

Underlying results, excluding timing, exceptional items and remeasurements.
Cash flow and net debt

- £4.6bn operating cash flow
  - Increased storm costs, lower US collections and reduced UK revenues
- Raised over £5.6bn of senior debt during the year
- COVID impact on FY21 rating metrics
- Comfortably positioned within rating band going forward

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<th>Net debt (£bn)</th>
<th>FX and non-cash movements</th>
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RCF / Net debt: 6.6%
FFO / Net debt: 11.7%
FY22 guidance

FY22 guidance based on current business
Segmental guidance set out in results statement

EPS growth towards or above top end of 5-7% range

Transaction timing impacts to earnings outlook

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| WPD acquisition | • Earnings included from point of deal completion  
• Guidance with HY22 results |
| Gas Transmission majority stake divestment | • Expect to launch sales process second half FY22  
• Full contribution removed from underlying earnings once classified as discontinued operation |
| Rhode Island divestment | • Earnings included up to point of sale completion |

Taken together, still expect FY22 EPS growth towards or above top end of 5-7% range
### Longer term guidance

#### 5 year outlook

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<td>c.£2-3bn</td>
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<th>Group asset growth</th>
<th>6-8% CAGR(^1)</th>
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<th>Peaks in FY22, settles above 70% Credit metrics comfortably within current rating band</th>
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<th>EPS</th>
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1. Compound annual growth rate FY21-26
Outlook assumes purchase of Western Power Distribution; sale of Rhode Island business and majority stake in UK Gas Transmission; 2% p.a. inflation rate; GBP/USD FX rate of 1.3; and scrip uptake of 25%
Priorities & Outlook
Strategic repositioning

Overall timeline summary

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Timing of key steps

**WPD**
- Shareholders approved acquisition of WPD last month
- Notification to the CMA accepted
- Expected completion by July

**Rhode Island**
- Regulatory clearances by the end of the CY

**UK Gas Transmission**
- Expect to launch process for sale of a majority stake in second half of 2021
Maintaining regulatory progress

**UK Networks**
- RIIO-T2: appeal to the CMA on cost of equity and outperformance wedge
- RIIO-ED2: we look to submit a business plan that
  - Supports innovation
  - Delivers efficiently for our customers
  - Delivers fair returns for our investors

**US Networks**
- Multi-year settlement filed for upstate New York Niagara Mohawk (NIMO)
  - Investment to support affordable decarbonised heating
  - Maintain customer affordability
- 5-year rate plan filed for Massachusetts Gas
  - Performance Based Rate Mechanism linking revenue increases to inflation
  - Innovative proposals to decarbonise our natural gas networks

**Expected regulatory timeline**

- **End of Summer 2021**
  - Settlement for NIMO
- **October 2021**
  - Mass Gas new rates effective
- **End of October 2021**
  - Final determination on appeal to CMA
- **December 2021**
  - Final business plans submitted for WPD
In the US

- Pathways to a Carbon-Neutral New York City joint report
  - Critical need for continued investment in gas networks
- Future of Heat with the Massachusetts regulator
  - Developing gas distribution roadmaps to help state achieve 2050 net zero target

In the UK

**We are expecting:**

- Transport decarbonisation plan
- Publication of UK’s hydrogen strategy
- BEIS’s consultation on net zero governance
- Offshore transmission review

The heart of the energy transition
Principal partner at UN COP26

- Ambition to enable the energy transition for all
- Using our voice to influence climate change action
Strengthening our Responsible Business commitments

Responsible Business Charter launched in 2020

Publication of our first Responsible Business Report this summer, tracking our progress to the goals we set out

New Scope 3 Emissions Target
aligned to the Science Based Target initiative
reduce Scope 3 carbon emissions
37.5% by 2034 from a 2019 baseline
Debt Funding
Green Financing

**November 2019**
- Publication of our Green Financing Framework, the first step in our green financing journey

**January / February 2020**
- Issuance of 4 green bonds for National Grid Electricity Transmission plc
  - A €500m 5-year public bond issued in January 2020, shortly followed by 3 smaller bonds privately placed with individual investors.
  - Fund indirectly a vast array of projects, such as the connection of renewables to the grid, grid improvements for greater energy efficiency, the electrification of railways, and the Dorset VIP project.

**April 2020**
- Execution of the first ever multi export credit agency covered green loan
  - A US$743 million financing package, made up of US$488 million covered by SACE Export Credit and US$255 million covered by Euler Hermes Export Credit
  - Once completed in 2023/24, the interconnector will enable more effective use of renewable energy, access to sustainable electricity generation and improved security of electricity supply.

**June 2020**
- Issuance of a green bond for Niagara Mohawk Power Corporation, the first green bond from our US business
  - A $600m 10-year bond was issued in June 2020
  - The bond was used to fund investments to integrate and maintain renewable energy on our networks, as well as many other projects such as a clean transportation programme, a LED conversion project and an osprey protection programme.

**December 2020**
- Publication of our first Green Financing Report, fulfilling our commitments of transparency to our investors.
Debt funding

2020/21
• c. £5.6bn of senior long-term debt raised in 2020/21, including 17 bonds:
  o Slightly under two thirds of it was raised in the UK through GBP and EUR public bonds for NGET, NGG and NG plc, and a number of EMTN private placements across AUD/EUR/GBP for NGET
  o The remaining third was raised in the US market, including the first ever green bond issued by one of our US Opcos, NIMO
  o We utilised c.£300m of our various Export Credit Agency facilities
• In April 2020 we implemented a new green Export Credit Agency facility in support of Viking interconnector

2021/22
• We expect to issue around £3-4bn in total from NG plc, NGET and from our US OpCos over the next year.
• £6.0bn of general liquidity facilities have remained undrawn. The UK Electricity System Operator also maintains £550m of committed facilities
Summary

• A defining year ahead
  – Strategic pivot towards electricity
  – Continued regulatory progress
  – Furthering net zero roadmaps
  – Calling for further climate change action at COP26

• Geographic and regulatory diversity - stability and a platform for growth

• Attractive asset growth driving sustainable long-term earnings growth

• Maintaining and underpinning our dividend policy
Q&A
UK Electricity Transmission

- Exceeded £100m efficiency savings target
- Capital investment higher than FY20
- RAV growth of 3.1%

Underlying operating profit (£m)

FY20: £1,174
FY21: £1,122

- 240 bps Totex incentive
- 30 bps Other incentives
- 100 bps Additional allowances

Achieved return on equity 13.9%

Capital investment
FY20: £1,043m
FY20: £1,072m

Regulated asset value
FY20: £14.1bn
FY20: £14.6bn

Underlying results, excluding timing, exceptional items and remeasurements.
UK Gas Transmission

Return on equity

(90)bps Totex incentive

90bps Other incentives

(40)bps Additional allowances

Achieved return on equity 9.6%

Underlying operating profit (£m)

- Higher revenues and further efficiency savings
- Lower capex reflecting several large projects reaching completion

Capital investment

FY20: £249m

Regulated asset value

FY20: £6.3bn

Underlying results, excluding timing, exceptional items and remeasurements.
**US Regulated**

**FY21**

- Return on equity excluding COVID, non-deferrable storm costs and impact of rate case delays: **8.6%**
- Achieved return on equity: **7.2%**

**Underlying operating profit (£m)**

- **FY20**:
  - Net revenue: £1,570m
  - Controllable Costs: £216m
  - Depreciation: £(99)m
  - COVID: £(68)m
  - Other bad debts: £(71)m
  - Other: £(36)m

- **FY21**:
  - Net revenue: £1,486m
  - Controllable Costs: £(68)m
  - Depreciation: £(71)m
  - COVID: £(36)m
  - Other bad debts: £(26)m

- **Other COVID**

- **FY20: £4.3bn**
- **FY21: £4.2bn**

- **Capital investment**
  - FY20: £4.3bn
  - FY21: £4.2bn

- **Rate base**
  - FY20: £27.6bn
  - FY21: £25.6bn

- **Assets outside rate base**
  - FY20: £3.2bn
  - FY21: £2.7bn

**Key Points**

- Higher net revenues from new rate cases
- Higher controllable costs
- Higher depreciation
- COVID impact

Underlying results from continuing operations excluding exceptional items, remeasurements, major storm costs (when greater than $100m) and timing

Operating profit and capital investment presented at constant currency
## NG Ventures

### Operating profit (£m)

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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Total NGV</strong></td>
<td><strong>56</strong></td>
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### Capital investment (£m)

- **Geronimo acquisition**: 195
- **Total NGV**: 354

### Notes:

1. Includes BritNed and Nemo.

Operating profit, share of joint venture profit after tax and investment presented at constant exchange rates. Underlying results, excluding timing, exceptional items and remeasurements.

- Lower investment as interconnector projects near completion
### Other activities

**Operating profit (£m)**

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- Operating profit lower, reflecting fewer property sales
- Total capex includes NG Partners, property and corporate
  - Capital investment\(^1\) **£67m**
  - FY20: **£70m**
- NG Partners investment of £38m

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Operating profit, share of joint venture profit after tax and investment presented at actual exchange rates.
Underlying results, excluding timing, exceptional items and remeasurements.
\(^1\) Capital investment includes investment in JVs (excluding equity contributions to St William property JV) and investment in NG Partners.