# **Full Year Results**

# 2021/22

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### John Pettigrew, Chief Executive, said:

"The world has changed dramatically over the last year, with the tragic war in Ukraine, a global economic slowdown, and rapidly rising inflation. The UK and US communities we serve are facing significant cost of living challenges, at a time when further urgency is needed to address climate change. Against this backdrop, National Grid remains focused on positioning our business, through acquisitions and investment, to deliver net zero while continuing to safely ensure security of supply at the lowest possible cost to consumers. And our results today reflect the strength of this strategy. Our purchase of WPD has pivoted our business to a much greater focus on electricity infrastructure, putting us at the heart of delivering the energy transition. We've invested a record £6.7 billion in critical energy infrastructure, part of our five-year £30-35 billion investment programme. Over 70% of our five-year investment is aligned to EU taxonomy principles making us one of the FTSE's largest investors in the delivery of net zero. And we've made good progress on our £400 million cost efficiency programme, as we continue to focus on affordability for all of our customers."

### Group financial summary full year ended 31 March 2022

Underlying results Operating profit

FY21: £3,608m

Underlying EPS £3,992m 111%

FY21: 59.1p

FY21: **49.16**p

Dividend growth Capital investment 65.3p t 10% 50.97p t 3.7% £6,739m t 18% FY21: £5,697m

Prior year numbers reported as proforma

Pro forma underlying 2020/21 figures include adjustments for an estimate of the underlying post-tax contribution from WPD for an equivalent 9.5 month period, as if we had owned that business in the prior year, including estimated incremental finance costs to acquire WPD. In addition, the current year beneficial earnings impact of not depreciating our Rhode Island business has also been applied in these comparative amounts. Underlying results from continuing operations excluding exceptional items, remeasurements, major storm costs (when greater than \$100m), iming and the contribution from UK gas transmission and metering, which are classified as discontinued businesses for accounting purposes. Capital investment in JVs and NG Partners Investments (excluding equity contributions to St William property JV in FY21). Operating profit and capital investment calculated at constant currency

### **Operational highlights**

### US highlights

- Rhode Island sale expected completion Q1 FY23
- New rate agreements for KEDNY-KEDLI, Niagara Mohawk and Massachusetts Gas
- Launch of Clean Energy Vision

## UK

### highlights

- Completed acquisition of Western Power Distribution
- UK Gas Transmission and Metering 60% stake sale announced
- Positive policy momentum

# NGV

- Offshore wind JV with RWE secured 125,000 acre lease area in the New York Bight coastal region
- Property business sale of St William JV to Berkeley Group

### 5-year outlook

| Capital investment | £30-35bn - c.£24bn Green Capex <sup>1</sup> , aligning to EU taxonomy                                      |                                |  |  |  |
|--------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
|                    | c.£8bn   | c.£5bn                         |  |  |  |
|                    | UK Electricity Transmission  | Western Power Distribution     |  |  |  |
|                    | <b>c.£17bn</b><br>US Regulated Businesses  | <b>c.£2-3bn</b><br>NG Ventures |  |  |  |
| Group asset growth | 6-8% CAGR <sup>2</sup>   |                                |  |  |  |
| Gearing            | Settles slightly above 70%<br>Credit metrics consistent with current strong investment grade credit rating |                                |  |  |  |
| EPS                | 5-7% CAGR <sup>2</sup> , a strong first year   |                                |  |  |  |
| Dividend           | Aim to grow dividend per share in line with CPIH   |                                |  |  |  |

- Capital expenditure considered to be aligned with the principles of the EU Taxonomy Legislation at the date of reporting and includes most electricity investment, including connecting clean sources of generation such as renewables and nuclear, as well as investment which reduces emissions in our gas otworks
- Compound annual growth rate FY2022-26. Based upon GBP/USD FX rate of 1.3; long run CPIH and RPI inflation assumptions, and scrip uptake of 25%, as well as completion of sale of Rhode Island business and 60% majority interest in UK Gas Transmission and Metering

### Underlying financial performance segmental summary

| New York           Operating profit           £706m         12%           FY21:         £722m   |   | New England         Operating profit         £886m<  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| UK Electricity Transmission         Operating profit         £1,152m ↑10%         FY21: £1,052m |   | UK Electricity Distribution<br>Operating profit<br>£887m ↑4%<br>FY21: £853m                                    |  |  |
| NGV and Other<br>Operating profit<br>£307m<br>FY21: £117m                                       | JVs post tax share<br><b>£148m</b><br>FY21: <b>£66m</b> | UK Gas Transmission and MeteringOperating profitNow reported as<br>discontinued operation.£734m£23%FY21: £595m |  |  |

Note: 'Underlying' represents statutory results from continuing operations, but excluding exceptional items, remeasurements, major storm costs (when greater than \$100m) and timing. Pro forma underlying (continuing) 2020/21 figures are provided to help compare performance between reporting periods and include adjustments for an estimate of the underlying post-tax contribution from WPD for an equivalent 9.5 month period, as if we had owned that business in the prior year, including estimated incremental finance costs to acquire WPD. In addition, the current year beneficial earnings impact of not depreciating our Rhode Island business has also been applied in these comparative amounts

### **Responsible Business**

| Environment  | Communities  | People   | Economy  | Governance  |
|--|--|--|--|---|
| <ul> <li>COP26 principal<br/>partner and new<br/>Scope 3 SBTi<br/>aligned targets set<br/>for the Group</li> <li>Clean Energy<br/>Strategy for our US<br/>networks launched</li> <li>First year of IFA2<br/>and North Sea Link<br/>interconnectors,<br/>saving more than<br/>2 million tonnes of<br/>CO<sub>2</sub> per annum</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Reliability of over<br/>99.9% across our<br/>networks</li> <li>In New York, we<br/>launched our Project<br/>C for community<br/>programme</li> <li>Our Fair Transition<br/>Statement sets out<br/>how we are<br/>engaging on the<br/>challenges the<br/>transition presents<br/>to communities</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Ranked 1<sup>st</sup> in the UK and 3<sup>rd</sup> globally in the Equileap gender equality report of over 4000 companies</li> <li>97% completion rate on unconscious bias training</li> <li>Diversity, equality and inclusion remains top of our priorities</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Around £24 billion<br/>of investment in our<br/>five-year financial<br/>framework aligned<br/>to new EU<br/>Taxonomy for<br/>sustainable<br/>activities</li> <li>Investments<br/>supporting world-<br/>class network<br/>reliability, security of<br/>supply and the<br/>energy transition</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Publishing our first<br/>Climate Transition<br/>Plan as part of this<br/>year's Responsible<br/>Business Report<br/>(RBR)</li> <li>Our ongoing work<br/>with regulators and<br/>politicians is helping<br/>define clean energy<br/>roadmaps to 2050</li> </ul> |

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