# National Grid's Investment Proposition

"National Grid is delivering a new and exciting phase of growth with an attractive investor proposition underpinned by high quality asset growth, strong earnings growth and an inflation protected dividend. We remain focused on playing our role in the energy transition and the responsible delivery of the new infrastructure required to enable the digital, electrified economies of the future." CEO, John Pettigrew

### **HY25 Investor Relations**

**Capital investment** c.£23bn **UK Electricity Transmission** c.£8bn c.£60bn **UK Electricity Distribution** FY25-29 Capital c.£17bn c.£11bn investment New England New York Regulated Regulated c.£1bn c.£51bn NG Ventures Green<sup>1</sup>. aligned to EU taxonomy Group asset growth c.10% CAGR<sup>2</sup> (from a FY24 baseline) Underlying EPS 6-8% CAGR<sup>3</sup> (from a FY25 baseline) Committed to strong investment grade credit rating Credit metrics Credit metrics above current rating thresholds<sup>4</sup>

Aim to grow dividend per share in line with UK CPIH<sup>5</sup>

### 5-year framework FY25-29

# Geographic and regulatory diversity

FY24 asset base<sup>6</sup>



1. Aligned to EU Taxonomy, directly invested into the decarbonisation of energy networks.

- 2. Group asset compound annual growth rate from a FY24 baseline. Forward years based on assumed USD FX rate of 1.25, UK CPIH of 2.5%, and long run US CPI. Assumed sale of ESO, Grain LNG, and National Grid Renewables before 2029. Remaining 20% stake in UK Gas Transmission treated as a discontinued operation and therefore does not contribute to group asset growth.
- 3. EPS compound annual growth rate from a FY25 baseline. Forward years based on assumed USD FX rate of 1.25, UK CPIH of 2.5%, long run US CPI and interest rate assumptions and scrip uptake of 25%. Assumed sale of ESO, Grain LNG, and National Grid Renewables before 2029. Remaining 20% stake in UK Gas Transmission treated as a discontinued operation and therefore does not contribute to underlying EPS.Until at least the end of the RIIO-T3 period.
- Aim to increase the FY25 DPS by UK CPIH from a rebased FY24 DPS of 45.26 pence, taking account
  of the new shares issued following the Rights Issue.
- Calculated as proportion of closing FY24 asset base and no longer includes UK Gas Transmission and Metering.

# **HY25 Highlights**

Dividend

Group financial summary half year ended 30 September 2024 Underlying results						
Operating profit	Underlying EPS	DPS in line with policy	Capital investment			
<b>£2,046m ↑15%</b>	<b>28.1p ★8%</b>	<b>15.84p</b>	<b>£4,603m ↑19%</b>			
HY24: <b>£1,785m</b>	HY24: <b>25.9p</b>	35% of FY24 rebased dividend	HY24: £3,877m			

Underlying results from continuing operations excluding exceptional items, remeasurements, deferrable major storm costs (when greater than \$100m), timing, the contribution from UK Gas Transmission and Metering, which are classified as a discontinued operation for accounting purposes, and the impact of deferred tax in UK regulated businesses (UK Electricity Transmission and UK Electricity Distribution). Operating profit, underlying EPS and capital investment calculated at constant currency. Capital investment includes investment in JVs and capital prepayments and no longer includes investments in NG Partners. Comparatives have been restated.

Underlying results from continuing operations excluding exceptional items, remeasurements, deferrable major storm costs (when greater than \$100m), timing, and the impact of deferred tax in UK regulated businesses (UK Electricity Transmission and UK Electricity Distribution).

A reconciliation of the Rebased FY24 DPS is provided on page 63 of the Results Statement.

Successfully completed the £7 billion rights issue positioned our balance sheet to deliver growth at pace.

Record £4.6bn capital investment increased investment on major capital projects.

Good HY25 financial results across our regulated businesses, reflecting higher regulated revenues.

ASTI progress construction is already underway for 5 of our 17 ASTI projects.

Regulatory progress agreed new rates for Massachusetts Electric (MECO) and Downstate NY gas (KEDNY/KEDLI).

# Increased clarity on investment plans

	UK Electricity Transmission	US Regulated
Scale	17 Accelerated Strategic Transmission Investment (ASTI) projects in licence "Beyond 2030" Electricity System Operator report RIIO-T3 business plan development	<ul> <li>Downstate NY KEDNY/KEDLI rate plan</li> <li>c.\$5bn capex over 3 years</li> <li>Upstate NY Niagara Mohawk (NiMo) rate filing</li> <li>\$4bn "Upstate Upgrade"</li> <li>Massachusetts Electric (MECO) rate plan agreed includes enhanced recovery mechanisms</li> <li>Electric Sector Modernization Plan (ESMP)</li> <li>\$2bn over 5 years</li> </ul>
Profile	<ul> <li>ASTI progress</li> <li>6 Wave 1 projects under construction by the end of the year</li> <li>11 Wave 2 projects in earlier stages of development</li> <li>Well progressed on supply chain, expect to secure all Tier 1 supply chain contractors by early part of 2025</li> <li>UK policy progress</li> <li>ESO sold to government</li> <li>NESO &amp; Mission Control established</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Supply chain progress</li> <li>Issued procurement and construction Request for Proposal for our \$2.1bn CLCPA<sup>1</sup> phase 2 transmission project</li> <li>Good visibility of investment in electric distribution and leak prone pipe replacement programme</li> </ul>
Regulation	New Ofgem duties: growth and net zero Ofgem RIIO-T3 SSMD <sup>2</sup> Ofgem strategy update: "enabling infrastructure for net zero at pace"	<ul> <li>New rates for:</li> <li>Downstate NY gas (KEDNY/KEDLI)</li> <li>Massachusetts Electric (MECO) includes enhanced recovery mechanisms</li> </ul>

1. Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act 2. Sector specific methodology decision (SSMD) published by Ofgem

# Driving a significant step-up in investment & growth



An attractive proposition of growth and yield

**C.£60**bn capital investment

# **Operational highlights**

### **US** highlights

- MA Electric Sector Modernization Plan approved
- 227 miles of leak prone pipe replaced across Massachusetts and NY
- KEDNY/KEDLI new rates approved
- MECO rate filing approved c.\$100m revenue increase
- Transmission project progress as part of NY \$4bn
  - 'Upstate upgrade'
  - CLCPA Phase 1 & 2
  - Smart Path Connect

### **Group** highlights

Successfully completed £7 billion Rights Issue

A record £4.6 billion capital investment

**Good underlying operational performance** across our regulated businesses

### **Reliability and safety**

#### Reliability

· Strong performance across UK and US networks despite storms

#### Winter outlook

• NESO forecasts winter electricity capacity margin of 8.8% - slightly higher than last year

Safety:

Lost Time Injury Frequency rate 0.1

### **UK** highlights

- · Major capital projects progress
  - First 5 ASTI projects under construction
  - London Power Tunnels 2 on track for 2026 completion
- 3.7GW of capacity released from connections queue in UKED
- Sale of ESO and remaining 20% stake in UK Gas Transmission
- Regulation RIIO-T3
  - SSMD published in July
  - Business plan submission in December

# **NGV** highlights

- NGR and Grain LNG classified as held for sale
- · Progress on Propel NY Energy transmission project



# Financial performance segmental summary

New York Operating profit <b>£288m ± 150%</b> HY24: <b>£115m</b>	Higher rates Non-repeat of environmental charge in prior year Partially offset by higher depreciation	New EnglandOperating profit£237m ↑12%HY24: £211m	Higher revenue from PBR + gas capital tracker Partially offset by higher controllable costs + depreciation
UK Electricity Transm Operating profit £724m 10% HY24: £656m	ission Higher allowed revenues Lower controllable costs	UK Electricity Distribution Operating profit £573m ± 2% HY24: £563m	Increased revenues Partially offset by higher controllable costs + depreciation
JVs post tax share £60m t 3% HY24: £58m	UK ESO <sup>1</sup> Operating profit <b>£115m †238%</b> HY24: <b>£34m</b>	NGV and Other Operating profit £109m ↓47% HY24: £206m	Lower revenues from NSL cap increase in the prior year Lower US ventures profitability

Note: Underlying results from continuing operations excluding exceptional items, remeasurements, deferrable major storm costs (when greater than \$100m), timing and deferred tax in UK ET and UK ED. Operating profit and JVs post tax share presented at constant currency. 1. Electricity System Operator classified as Held for Sale.

# Strong track record of delivery



Track record of outperformance and delivery against regulatory frameworks

# Starting from a position of strength

Streamlined portfolio focused on regulated and competitive, onshore and offshore networks

# **Updated strategy**

Pureplay networks business

### New era of growth

- £60bn capital investment over the next 5 years
- Successfully completed £7bn Rights Issue



# A new and exciting phase of growth

### Executing our strategy

Major projects delivery underway Policy and regulatory momentum

Low-risk, high-quality asset growth

Strong earnings growth

Inflation-protected dividend

Delivering long-term value and returns for shareholders



# **ESG and Responsible Business Charter**

Our refreshed <u>Responsible Business Charter</u>, continues to articulate what 'responsibility' means for us. Following extensive stakeholder engagement, in September 2023 we updated our Charter to focus on 3 core pillars: Our Environment, Our Customers and Communities, and Our People. These pillars are underpinned by our Responsible Business fundamentals and previous pillars of Economy and Governance are now embedded within these new focused areas.

# **Performance Highlights**

### **Our Environment**

- Building on our role as a Principal Partner of COP26, we participated in COP27 last year
- Continue to advocate for Clean
   Energy Vision
- Viking Link interconnector completed – taking total capacity across our portfolio to 7.8 GW
- Maintained our CDP Climate Change 'A list' rating for the 8<sup>th</sup> consecutive year

### **Our Communities & Communities**

- Reliability of over 99.99% across our networks
- Connected 3,030 MW of renewable energy across our UK and US transmission and distribution networks
- £513m cost efficiency savings, exceeding the £400m FY24 target

### Our People

- 'Stand Up For Safety' campaign launched as a core element of our new safety strategy
- We are a Living Wage Foundation employer in the UK; and in the US all colleagues are paid above the statutory minimum
- Diversity, equity and inclusion remains top of our priorities, as demonstrated by our executive remuneration policy which includes a focus on ESG

# **Our Clean Energy Vision**

National Grid's vision is to fully eliminate fossil fuels from our US energy networks, enabling our customers and communities to meet their heating needs without using fossil fuels by 2050, if not sooner. Please visit: <a href="https://www.nationalgrid.com/us/fossilfree">www.nationalgrid.com/us/fossilfree</a>

# Video: Our vision for fossil-free heat

Our vision for fossil-free heat addresses climate change while ensuring affordable, reliable service to all our customers. Watch this video to learn more about how we plan to make our vision of a clean energy future a reality.

Watch the video



### Awards and recognition

To be held account against our environmental, societal and governance business commitments, National Grid is proud to share reporting data and have our sustainable efforts analysed.



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# Delivering an attractive combination of growth + yield



# Comprehensive financing plan

### A strong investment grade balance sheet positioned to deliver an unprecedented step up in capital investment

#### Equity

Raised £7bn to support increased investment levels

#### Debt

- · Issuance of senior debt across the Group
- Expect to use hybrid debt later in 5 year framework to maintain balance sheet strength and investment flexibility

#### **Credit Metrics**

- · Committed to strong investment grade credit rating
- Credit metrics above current rating thresholds<sup>1</sup>: FFO/net debt >10% and RCF/net debt >7%

#### Portfolio

 Announced intention to sell Grain LNG and NG Renewables

#### Dividend

- Maintained progressive level of total dividend & policy of aim to grow dividend per share in line with CPIH
- · Scrip dividend maintained given high asset growth

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