



### **Postalised Capacity Charge for the Greater Belfast Area**

Gas Suppliers delivering gas to the Phoenix Natural Gas distribution network are treated as utilising capacity in both the Scotland to Northern Ireland Pipeline (SNIP), the Belfast Gas Transmission Ltd. pipeline (BGTL) and BGE (NI) transmission pipeline systems. In relation to the utilisation by Gas Suppliers of capacity in these transmission pipeline systems, Phoenix Natural Gas is responsible for the payment of Postalised capacity charges in accordance with the terms of Transmission Pipeline Operator's Transmission Network Code.

For the purposes of recovering the Postalised capacity charge from Gas Suppliers, Phoenix Natural Gas makes a commodity charge on Gas Suppliers on a monthly basis. Phoenix Natural Gas forecasts that commodity charge at the start of the gas year using the total volume forecast, as provided by Gas Suppliers operating in the Phoenix Natural Gas Licence Area to the Transmission Pipeline Operators for determining the Postalised tariff. This Postalised capacity charge is charged to Gas Suppliers on the basis of their monthly distribution commodity and is subject to an annual reconciliation using actual Distribution volumes.

The Postalised capacity charge payable by Gas Suppliers operating in the Greater Belfast area for the period **1<sup>st</sup> October 2011 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2012** is as follows:

	Pence per kWh	Pence per therm
Postalised Capacity Charge	0.2728	7.995