Electricity North West Limited which owns the North West's electricity network is

pleased to announce that it has signed a contract with United Utilities for the purchase

of United Utilities Electricity Services Limited ("UUES").

The purchase of UUES, which is contracted to operate and maintain the network on

behalf of Electricity North West, enables the Company to establish one group which

owns, operates, manages and maintains its network. This will enable Electricity North

West to address the challenges of Ofgem's latest price control and provides an

efficient business structure to deliver investment in the North West's electricity network.

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