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NWEN Finance plc: £180,000,000 5.875% Guaranteed Senior Secured Notes Issue due 2021 unconditionally and irrevocably guaranteed on a joint and several basis by North West Electricity Networks (Holdings) Limited and North West Electricity Networks (Finance) Limited

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http://www.enwl.co.uk/docs/about-us/nwen-finance-prospectus-19march2013.PDF

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