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| <b>NERS</b>                     | Lloyds National Electricity Registration Scheme   |
| <b>GIRS</b>                     | Lloyds Gas Industry Registration Scheme   |
| <b>OFGEM:</b>                   | The industry regulator—Office of Gas & Electricity Markets.   |
| <b>DNO:</b>                     | Distribution Network Operator—the local utility.  |
| <b>IDNO:</b>                    | Independent Distribution Network Operator   |
| <b>ICP:</b>                     | Independent Connection Provider   |
| <b>New Connection:</b>          | All works required to provide a new or increased capacity electricity supply.   |
| <b>Contestable Works:</b>       | The activities associated with New Connections that each DNO has agreed with OFGEM may be undertaken by a third party.  |
| <b>Non Contestable Works:</b>   | The activities associated with New Connections that each DNO has agreed with OFGEM may only be carried out by the DNO itself.   |
| <b>Determination:</b>           | The process of using OFGEM to rule on a DNO's behaviour under the regulations—for instance to investigate the fairness of a DNO requesting a particular level of contribution for existing network re-enforcement costs.                          |
| <b>Adoption Agreement:</b>      | The legal agreement between the client and the DNO whereby ownership, operational responsibility and risk in the new assets transfers to the DNO. Often involves co-signature and collateral warranties from the Contestable Connection provider. |
| <b>Connection Agreement:</b>    | The legal agreement between the end user and the DNO guaranteeing to provide a maximum supply capacity for a fixed term.  |
| <b>Energy Supply Agreement:</b> | The legal agreement between the consumer and an energy retailer (not a DNO) to provide energy for a fixed term.   |
| <b>Wayleave Agreement:</b>      | A legal agreement between the DNO and land-owners allowing fixed assets to be installed and maintained.   |