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— Claudia Preedy, Industrial Analyst

## This report looks at the following areas:

- What are the key drivers for capital investment in the water and sewerage industry?
- What are the key drivers for network investment in the electricity transmission and distribution sector?
- · What are the drivers for capital investment in the gas supply and distribution industry?
- How will changes in the regulatory environment affect the approach to capital investment?
- · How does environmental legislation and regulations affect the utility industry?
- What are the expenditure plans for the forthcoming regulatory control period?

This report is segmented between the following sectors:

- Water and Sewerage
- Electricity Transmission and Distribution
- Gas Transmission and Distribution

The definitions of each area of expenditure tends to vary between the individual market sectors and can be broadly categorised as follows:

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