

NATIONAL GRID PLC  
Form 11-K  
June 29, 2009

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**  
**FORM 11-K**

þ **ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE  
ACT OF 1934**

**For the fiscal year ended December 31, 2008**

**OR**

o **TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF  
1934**

**For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_**

**Commission File Number 1-14958**

**National Grid USA Companies**

**Incentive Thrift Plan II**

National Grid USA

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**REQUIRED INFORMATION**

The financial statements required by Form 11-K are filed as exhibits and incorporated herein by reference.

**EXHIBITS**

99.1 Financial statements of National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plan II

99.2 Consent of Clifton Gunderson LLP, independent registered public accounting firm

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the National Grid USA Service Company, Inc. Benefits Committee (the Plan Administrator for the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plan II) has duly caused this annual report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

NATIONAL GRID USA COMPANIES  
INCENTIVE THRIFT PLAN II

Date: June 29, 2009

By /s/ Kenneth Daly  
Member  
National Grid USA Service Company,  
Inc.  
Investment Committee