NATIONAL GRID GROUP PLC

Form S-8 POS

January 31, 2002

As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on January 31, 2002

Registration No. 333-33094

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT under THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

NATIONAL GRID GROUP PLC (formerly New National Grid plc) (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

England and Wales 98-0202473 (Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

15 Marylebone Road, London, NW1 5JD, United Kingdom (Address of Registrant's Principal Executive Offices)

National Grid USA Companies' Incentive Thrift Plan I National Grid USA Companies' Incentive Thrift Plan II (Full Titles of the Plans)

John G. Cochrane Vice President and Treasurer National Grid USA 25 Research Drive Westborough, MA 01582 (508) 389-2000

(Name and address, including telephone number and area code, of agent for service)

Copies to:

Fiona B. Smith General Counsel National Grid Group plc

National Grid USA

15 Marylebone Road

London, NW1 5JD

Westborough, MA London, NW1 5JD United Kingdom

Kirk L. Ramsauer Deputy General Counsel 25 Research Drive Westborough, MA 01582

being filed pursuant to Rule 414 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), by the Registrant, the successor to National Grid Group PLC, following a scheme of arrangement under Section 425 of the Companies Act of 1985 effective January 31, 2002. The Registrant hereby expressly adopts the Registration Statement as its own registration statement for all purposes of the Securities Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and hereby sets forth any additional information necessary to reflect any material changes made in connection with or resulting from the succession, or necessary to keep this Registration Statement from being misleading in any material respect.

SIGNATURES

Dated: January 31, 2002

Authorized United States

Representative

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements of filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the Town of Westborough, Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

NATIONAL GRID GROUP PLC

Roger Urwin, Group Chief Executive

*by Roger Urwin, attorney-in-fact

s/ Roger Urwin

Roger Urwin

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by or on behalf of the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated. Principal Executive Officer Directors (a majority): Edward Astle * Group Director, Telecommunications s/ Roger Urwin _____ Stephen Box * Roger Urwin Group Finance Director Group Chief Executive Steven Holliday * Group Director, Europe Principal Financial and Accounting Officer Paul Joskow * Non-executive Director s/ Stephen Box James Ross * _____ Non-Executive Chairman Stephen Box Group Finance Director Richard P. Sergel * Group Director, North America s/ Richard P. Sergel Roger Urwin * Director and Group Chief Executive Richard P. Sergel

By: s/ Roger Urwin

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Chairman and Members of the Benefits Committee have duly caused this Post-Effective Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement to be signed by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the Town of Westborough, Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

National Grid USA Companies' Incentive Thrift Plan I and National Grid USA Companies' Incentive Thrift Plan II

Ву:	s/ John G. Cochrane	
	John G. Cochrane, Chairman of Benefits Committee	the
s/ Da	avid C. Kennedy	
Membe	er, Benefits Committee	
	ichard S. Powderly	
	er Benefits Committee	
s/ Nā	ancy B. Kellogg	
Membe	er Benefits Committee	
s/ Je	ennifer K. Zschokke	
Membe	er Benefits Committee	
s/ Fr	rances M. Skypeck	
Membe	er Benefits Committee	
s/ Jā	ames S. Robinson	
Membe	er Benefits Committee	
Dated	d: January 31, 2002	

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description Page

Memorandum and Articles of Association Incorporated of National Grid Group plc, incorporated by reference by reference to Exhibit A-2 of the registrant's Form U-1, File No. 70-9849

Deposit Agreement among New National Grid plc, National Grid Group plc, The by reference Bank of New York, as depositary, and Owners and Beneficial Owners of American Depositary Receipts, incorporated by reference to Exhibit A of the registrant's Form F-6, File No. 333-14290

Incorporated

24.8 Powers of Attorney of the Directors Filed herewith

DIRECTOR'S POWER OF ATTORNEY

NEW NATIONAL GRID plc to be renamed NATIONAL GRID GROUP plc (the "Company")

REGISTRATION OF

AMERICAN DEPOSITARY SHARES

OF THE COMPANY TO BE ISSUED PURSUANT TO

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PLAN II WITH THE US SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

- I, STEVEN HOLLIDAY, DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY HEREBY APPOINT and authorise any other director for the time being of the Company (any such director acting in such capacity being hereinafter called "my Attorney") to be my lawful attorney in connection with the Registration on the following basis:
- I hereby authorise my Attorney to do and perform all matters and things to be done or performed by me and to agree the form and content of and to approve, sign, execute and deliver on my behalf (as a director of the Company) any application, agreement, deed or other document whatsoever pursuant to the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") or otherwise in connection with the Registration, as my Attorney may consider necessary or desirable and which shall have been approved by resolution of the directors of the Company or a duly authorised committee thereof, including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing a registration statement on Form S-8 for registration of American Depositary Shares to be issued pursuant to the

National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plan I and the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plan II ("Thrift Plans") and a prospectus to be circulated to participants in the Thrift Plans.

- 2. I hereby undertake to ratify and confirm everything which my Attorney shall do or purport to do by virtue of this power of attorney and will fully indemnify my Attorney against all losses, liabilities, costs, claims, actions, demands or expenses which he may incur or which may be made against him as a result of or in connection with anything lawfully done by virtue of this power of attorney.
- 3. I hereby declare that this power of attorney shall be irrevocable for six months from the date hereof and shall at all times (both during and after the said period) be conclusively binding on me and my personal representatives in favour of third parties who have not received notice of revocation but so that the exercise by me in person from time to time of any of the powers hereby conferred shall not of itself be deemed to be a revocation.
- 4. This power of attorney shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of England and I submit to the nonexclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts for all purposes connected with it.
- 5. I authorise a copy of this document to be delivered to the SEC and to any other person who may require it.

IN WITNESS of which this power of attorney has been executed as a deed on 24 January, 2002

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SIGNED as a deed )
by STEVEN HOLLIDAY ) s/ Steven Holliday
in the presence of:- )
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Witness s/ Mark Noble Signature

Name Mark Noble

Address 15 Marylebone Road London, England

Occupation Solicitor

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(the "Registration")

- I, PAUL JOSKOW, DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY HEREBY APPOINT and authorise any other director for the time being of the Company (any such director acting in such capacity being hereinafter called "my Attorney") to be my lawful attorney in connection with the Registration on the following basis:
- 1. I hereby authorise my Attorney to do and perform all matters and things to be done or performed by me and to agree the form and content of and to approve, sign, execute and deliver on my behalf (as a director of the Company) any application, agreement, deed or other document whatsoever pursuant to the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") or otherwise in connection with the Registration, as my Attorney may consider necessary or desirable and which shall have been approved by resolution of the directors of the Company or a duly authorised committee thereof, including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing a registration statement on Form S-8 for registration of American Depositary Shares to be issued pursuant to the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plan I and the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plans") and a prospectus to be circulated to participants in the Thrift Plans.
- 2. I hereby undertake to ratify and confirm everything which my Attorney shall do or purport to do by virtue of this power of attorney and will fully indemnify my Attorney against all losses, liabilities, costs, claims, actions, demands or expenses which he may incur or which may be made against him as a result of or in connection with anything lawfully done by virtue of this power of attorney.
- 3. I hereby declare that this power of attorney shall be irrevocable for six months from the date hereof and shall at all times (both during and after the said period) be conclusively binding on me and my personal representatives in favour of third parties who have not received notice of revocation but so that the exercise by me in person from time to time of any of the powers hereby conferred shall not of itself be deemed to be a revocation.
- 4. This power of attorney shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of England and I submit to the nonexclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts for all purposes connected with it.
- 5. I authorise a copy of this document to be delivered to the SEC and to any other person who may require it.

IN WITNESS of which this power of attorney has been executed as a deed on 26 January, 2002

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SIGNED as a deed )
by PAUL JOSKOW ) s/ Paul T. Joskow in the presence of:- )
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Witness s/ Barbara Z. Chasen

Signature

Name Barbara Z. Chasen

Address 7 Chilton St.

Brookline, MA 02446

Occupation at home

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- I, JAMES HOOD ROSS, DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY HEREBY APPOINT and authorise any other director for the time being of the Company (any such director acting in such capacity being hereinafter called "my Attorney") to be my lawful attorney in connection with the Registration on the following basis:
- 1. I hereby authorise my Attorney to do and perform all matters and things to be done or performed by me and to agree the form and content of and to approve, sign, execute and deliver on my behalf (as a director of the Company) any application, agreement, deed or other document whatsoever pursuant to the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") or otherwise in connection with the Registration, as my Attorney may consider necessary or desirable and which shall have been approved by resolution of the directors of the Company or a duly authorised committee thereof, including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing a registration statement on Form S-8 for registration of American Depositary Shares to be issued pursuant to the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plan I and the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plans") and a prospectus to be circulated to participants in the Thrift Plans.
- 2. I hereby undertake to ratify and confirm everything which my Attorney shall do or purport to do by virtue of this power of attorney and will fully indemnify my Attorney against all losses, liabilities, costs, claims, actions, demands or expenses which he may incur or which may be made against him as a result of or in connection with anything lawfully done by virtue of this power of attorney.

- 3. I hereby declare that this power of attorney shall be irrevocable for six months from the date hereof and shall at all times (both during and after the said period) be conclusively binding on me and my personal representatives in favour of third parties who have not received notice of revocation but so that the exercise by me in person from time to time of any of the powers hereby conferred shall not of itself be deemed to be a revocation.
- 4. This power of attorney shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of England and I submit to the nonexclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts for all purposes connected with it.
- 5. I authorise a copy of this document to be delivered to the SEC and to any other person who may require it.

IN WITNESS of which this power of attorney has been executed as a deed on 24 January, 2002

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SIGNED as a deed
by JAMES HOOD ROSS )
                              s/ James H. Ross
in the presence of:- )
Witness s/ Mark Noble
Signature
Name
              Mark Noble
               15 Marylebone Road
Address
               London, England
Occupation
                       Solicitor
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(the "Registration")
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- I, EDWARD ASTLE, DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY HEREBY APPOINT and authorise any other director for the time being of the Company (any such director acting in such capacity being hereinafter called "my Attorney") to be my lawful attorney in connection with the Registration on the following basis:
- 1. I hereby authorise my Attorney to do and perform all matters and things to be done or performed by me and to agree the form and content of and to approve, sign, execute and deliver on my behalf (as a director of the Company) any application, agreement, deed or other document whatsoever pursuant to the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") or otherwise in connection with the Registration, as my Attorney may consider necessary or desirable and which shall have been approved by resolution of the directors of the Company or a duly authorised committee thereof, including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing a registration statement on Form S-8 for registration of American Depositary Shares to be issued pursuant to the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plan I and the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plans") and a prospectus to be circulated to participants in the Thrift Plans.
- 2. I hereby undertake to ratify and confirm everything which my Attorney shall do or purport to do by virtue of this power of attorney and will fully indemnify my Attorney against all losses, liabilities, costs, claims, actions, demands or expenses which he may incur or which may be made against him as a result of or in connection with anything lawfully done by virtue of this power of attorney.
- 3. I hereby declare that this power of attorney shall be irrevocable for six months from the date hereof and shall at all times (both during and after the said period) be conclusively binding on me and my personal representatives in favour of third parties who have not received notice of revocation but so that the exercise by me in person from time to time of any of the powers hereby conferred shall not of itself be deemed to be a revocation.
- 4. This power of attorney shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of England and I submit to the nonexclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts for all purposes connected with it.
- 5. I authorise a copy of this document to be delivered to the SEC and to any other person who may require it.

IN WITNESS of which this power of attorney has been executed as a deed on January 25, 2002

SIGNED as a deed)
by EDWARD ASTLE) s/ Edward Astle
in the presence of:-)

Witness s/ Carol Opem
Signature

Name Carol Opem

Address 93 Karen Circle Holliston, MA 01746

Occupation Executive Assistant

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- I, RICHARD P. SERGEL, DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY HEREBY APPOINT and authorise any other director for the time being of the Company (any such director acting in such capacity being hereinafter called "my Attorney") to be my lawful attorney in connection with the Registration on the following basis:
- 1. I hereby authorise my Attorney to do and perform all matters and things to be done or performed by me and to agree the form and content of and to approve, sign, execute and deliver on my behalf (as a director of the Company) any application, agreement, deed or other document whatsoever pursuant to the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") or otherwise in connection with the Registration, as my Attorney may consider necessary or desirable and which shall have been approved by resolution of the directors of the Company or a duly authorised committee thereof, including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing a registration statement on Form S-8 for registration of American Depositary Shares to be issued pursuant to the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plan I and the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plans") and a prospectus to be circulated to participants in the Thrift Plans.
- 2. I hereby undertake to ratify and confirm everything which my Attorney shall do or purport to do by virtue of this power of attorney and will fully indemnify my Attorney against all losses, liabilities, costs, claims, actions, demands or expenses which he may incur or which may be made against him as a result of or in connection with anything lawfully done by virtue of this power of attorney.
- 3. I hereby declare that this power of attorney shall be irrevocable for six months from the date hereof and shall at all times (both during and after the said period) be conclusively binding on me and my personal representatives in favour of third parties who have not received notice of revocation but so that the exercise by me in person from time to time of any of the powers hereby conferred shall not of itself be deemed to be a revocation.

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IN WITNESS of which this power of attorney has been executed as a deed on January 25, 2002

SIGNED as a deed)
by RICHARD P. SERGEL) s/ Richard P. Sergel in the presence of:-)

Witness s/ Carol V. Opem Signature

Name Carol V. Opem

Address 93 Karen Circle Holliston, MA 01746

Occupation Executive Assistant

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- I, STEPHEN BOX, DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY HEREBY APPOINT and authorise any other director for the time being of the Company (any such director acting in such capacity being hereinafter called "my Attorney") to be my lawful attorney in connection with the Registration on the following basis:
- 1. I hereby authorise my Attorney to do and perform all matters and things to be done or performed by me and to agree the form and content of and to approve, sign, execute and deliver on my behalf (as a director of the Company) any application, agreement, deed or other document whatsoever

pursuant to the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") or otherwise in connection with the Registration, as my Attorney may consider necessary or desirable and which shall have been approved by resolution of the directors of the Company or a duly authorised committee thereof, including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing a registration statement on Form S-8 for registration of American Depositary Shares to be issued pursuant to the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plan I and the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plans") and a prospectus to be circulated to participants in the Thrift Plans.

- 2. I hereby undertake to ratify and confirm everything which my Attorney shall do or purport to do by virtue of this power of attorney and will fully indemnify my Attorney against all losses, liabilities, costs, claims, actions, demands or expenses which he may incur or which may be made against him as a result of or in connection with anything lawfully done by virtue of this power of attorney.
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- 5. I authorise a copy of this document to be delivered to the SEC and to any other person who may require it.

IN WITNESS of which this power of attorney has been executed as a deed on 24 January, 2002

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SIGNED as a deed )
by STEPHEN BOX ) s/ Stephen Box
in the presence of:- )
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Witness s/ C Conroy Signature

Name C. Conroy

Address 75 Dorchester Ave London N13 5DY

Occupation Driver

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- I, ROGER URWIN, DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY HEREBY APPOINT and authorise any other director for the time being of the Company (any such director acting in such capacity being hereinafter called "my Attorney") to be my lawful attorney in connection with the Registration on the following basis:
- 1. I hereby authorise my Attorney to do and perform all matters and things to be done or performed by me and to agree the form and content of and to approve, sign, execute and deliver on my behalf (as a director of the Company) any application, agreement, deed or other document whatsoever pursuant to the regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") or otherwise in connection with the Registration, as my Attorney may consider necessary or desirable and which shall have been approved by resolution of the directors of the Company or a duly authorised committee thereof, including without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing a registration statement on Form S-8 for registration of American Depositary Shares to be issued pursuant to the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plan I and the National Grid USA Companies Incentive Thrift Plans") and a prospectus to be circulated to participants in the Thrift Plans.
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- 5. I authorise a copy of this document to be delivered to the SEC and to any other person who may require it.

IN WITNESS of which this power of attorney has been executed as a deed on 25 January, 2002

SIGNED as a deed by ROGER URWIN in the presence of:-))) s/ Roger Urwin

Witness s/ Mark Noble Signature

Mark Noble Name

Address 15 Marylebone Road London NW1 5JD

Occupation Solicitor