

Nicola Connelly

BSc (Eng), CA, MBA

Nicola Connelly was appointed as a director of Scottish Power Energy Networks Holdings Limited (SPEN) in 2011 and as a Director of Scottish Power Power Systems Ltd. in 2009.

Nicola is a director on the board of the Joint Venture with National Grid to deliver a 2.2 Gigawatt (GW) High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC) link between Hunterston and Deeside, a distance of 420 km and is also a Company appointed Trustee of the Manweb Pension Scheme.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE FOR HER ROLE IN SCOTTISH POWER

Nicola joined ScottishPower in 1995 following 5 years as an Audit Assistant/Senior Auditor with PricewaterhouseCoopers (formerly Coopers & Lybrand) with clients in various sectors including Financial Services, Regional Councils, heavy engineering and Retail. She was appointed Senior Auditor within ScottishPower Internal Audit in 1995 and promoted to Deputy Head of Internal Audit in 1997.

From 1998 to 2008, Nicola held various senior roles within Scottish Power across a number of different businesses within the Group, specialising in the energy margins chain across Retail, Wholesale Trading and Generation. Following Iberdrola's acquisition of ScottishPower in April 2007, Nicola was seconded in April 2008 (for one year) to lead and manage the changes required within SPW Control to align to the Iberdrola Group Organisational model, adapt processes in readiness for SAP implementation and reinforce a single Control team across ScottishPower.

On completion of this project, Nicola was appointed in 2009 as Finance Director of SP Energy Networks and she has been in this role for 6 years.

Nicola has a Degree from the University of Glasgow in Electrical and Electronics Engineering, is a qualified CA and member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland and holds an MBA from the University of Strathclyde.