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To: The Authority (Ofgem), the SEC Panel, and SEC Parties

**SMART ENERGY CODE – DIRECTION MODIFYING THE DURATION OF THE  
VARIATIONS TO THE APPLICATION OF SECTION E AND SECTION K UNDER  
THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION X**

Dear Colleague,

My letter of 18<sup>th</sup> June 2015 sought views on whether the sunset provisions in Section X2.4(b) and Section X2.5(a) of the Smart Energy Code (allowing the DCC to rely on existing sources of aggregated registration data for charging) should be extended until September 2016 to align with the end date with the revised DCC plan<sup>1</sup>.

DECC received six responses which were all supportive of the proposal. These responses agreed with DECC's view that the additional expenditure required to amend the current aggregate reporting does not appear justified given the very minor improvement it would provide to the precision of cost allocation. Having considered this matter, and the views expressed by respondents, DECC is agreeable to the request from Smart DCC to extend the sunset provisions further.

Consequently the Secretary of State hereby directs that the relevant sunset provisions should be amended as follows:

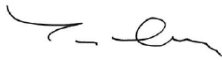
- 1) the date in Section X2.4(b) which the Secretary of State has already changed by direction to 15th September 2015, is further changed to 15th of September 2016; and,

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<sup>1</sup> The DCC re-plan reflects a fully contingent DCC Live date of October 2016. The non-contingent DCC Live date remains April 2016 with a 'Central Planning Assumption' for DCC Live of August 2016.

- 2) the month in Section X2.5(a) which the Secretary of State has already changed by direction to September 2015, is further changed to September 2016.

Yours faithfully



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