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SMART METERING IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAMME DIRECTION TO REVISE THE LARGE AND SMALL SUPPLIER ADVANCED METER EXCEPTION (AME) END-DATES.

Dear Colleague,

The SRO's decision letter of today confirmed that both the SMETS1 and AME end dates would be extended to 5 October 2018. As set out in that letter, we will consult in due course on the changes to the Smart Energy Code required to give legal effect to the SMETS1 end-date. The direction below gives effect to the advanced meter exception end-date using the powers given to the Secretary of State under energy supply licence conditions.

Direction

Large and Small Supplier Advanced Meter Exception End Date

This direction is made for the purposes of the electricity supply licences granted under the Electricity Act 1989 and the gas supply licences granted under the Gas Act 1986.

This direction relates to Smart Metering Systems (as defined in the electricity and gas supply licences) and concerns the date prior to which certain licensees can install Advanced Meters (as defined for the purposes of the relevant standard licence condition referred to below) at Designated Premises instead of Smart Metering Systems.

Under standard licence condition 39 of the electricity supply licences, the Secretary of State hereby directs that the date for paragraphs (a) and (b) of the definition of Relevant Date in paragraph 39.20 shall be **5 October 2018**.

Under standard licence condition 33 of the gas supply licences, the Secretary of State hereby directs that the date for paragraphs (a) and (b) of the definition of Relevant Date in paragraph 33.20 shall be **5** October 2018.

This direction is also being notified to the SEC Administrator.

Yours faithfully

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