



# The Climate Change Agreements Charging Scheme

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We operate at the place where environmental change has its greatest impact on people's lives. We reduce the risks to people and properties from flooding; make sure there is enough water for people and wildlife; protect and improve air, land and water quality and apply the environmental standards within which industry can operate.

Acting to reduce climate change and helping people and wildlife adapt to its consequences are at the heart of all that we do.

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The Environment Agency in exercise of its powers under paragraph 52C of Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2000 and with the consent of the Secretary of State makes the following Charging Scheme.

## COMMENCEMENT AND CITATION

This charging scheme shall -

- (1) be referred to as the Climate Change Agreements Charging Scheme;
- (2) come into force on 1st April 2013; and
- (3) remain in force until revoked.

## INTERPRETATION

2. In this Scheme terms also used in the Climate Change Agreements (Administration) Regulations 2012 shall have the meaning given in those Regulations.

## SECTOR ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CHARGE

3. (1) Subject to sub-paragraph (2), a Sector Association Annual Charge of £1000 shall be payable for any full or part calendar year during which an umbrella agreement is in force.

(2) No Sector Association Annual Charge is payable if the administrator has given consent to the collection of charges by a sector association on its behalf in accordance with a Climate Change Agreement.

## TARGET UNIT ANNUAL CHARGE

4. (1) A Target Unit Annual Charge shall be payable for any full or part calendar year during which an underlying agreement is in force.

(2) The Target Unit Annual Charge shall be the total of £185 multiplied by the number of facilities in the target unit.

TIME OF PAYMENT

5. (1) Where an agreement is in place on 1st April in any year Annual Charges payable under this Scheme shall be due and payable in full on 1st April in that year.

(2) Where an agreement is made after 1st April in any year Annual Charges shall be due and payable in full from the date the agreement is made.

LIABILITY TO PAY CHARGES

6. (1) A sector association shall be liable to pay the Sector Association Annual Charge.

(2) An operator shall be liable to pay the Target Unit Annual Charge.

Signed for and on behalf of the Environment Agency

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