**DECC CONSULTATION: Transition from the Renewables Obligation to Contracts for Difference**

**Question and Response Form**

When responding please provide answers that are specific and evidence-based, providing data and references to the extent possible.

**New Generating Capacity**

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| **Question 1** |
| Do you agree that the choice of scheme for new generating stations should take place at the point of application for a CfD (and at point of entry into an investment contract)? If not, please detail your preferred alternative, and provide evidence supporting it. |
| **Answer** |
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| **Question 2** |
| **Do you agree with the proposed changes to the eligibility and additional evidence requirements for accreditation and preliminary accreditation under the RO? If not, please detail your preferred alternative, and provide evidence supporting it.** |
| **Answer** |
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| **Question 3** |
| **Do you agree with the proposed change to the timing for setting the level of the Renewables Obligation? If not, please detail your preferred alternative, and provide evidence supporting it.** |
| **Answer** |
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**Additional Capacity**

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| **Question 4** |
| **Do you agree that the choice of scheme for additional capacity should take place at the point of application for a CfD?** **If not, please detail your preferred alternative, and provide evidence supporting it.** |
| **Answer** |
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| **Question 5** |
| **Do you agree with the proposed registration process, eligibility and evidence requirements, for new additional capacity opting for the RO? If not, please detail your preferred alternative, and provide evidence supporting it.** |
| **Answer** |
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| **Question 6** |
| **Do you agree with the metering and fuel measuring requirements proposed for Dual Scheme Plants? If not, please detail your preferred alternative, and provide evidence supporting it.** |
| **Answer** |
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| **Question 7** |
| **Do you agree that no support should be given for new additional capacity of 5MW or less that is not registered under the RO before 1 April 2017? If not, please detail your preferred alternative, and provide evidence supporting it.** |
| **Answer** |
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**Closure Arrangements**

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| **Question 8** |
| **Do you agree with the proposed approach to grandfathering at specific support bands? If not, please detail your preferred alternative, and provide evidence supporting it.** |
| **Answer** |
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| **Question 9** |
| **What would your preferred approach to grace period length and conditions be at the point of RO closure to new capacity? Please take the principles set out in paragraph 4.14 into account when determining your preferred approach, or set out your reasons for not doing so. Please provide your rationale for your preferred approach, and any associated evidence.** |
| **Answer** |
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**Technology-Specific Measures**

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| **Question 10** |
| **Do you agree with the proposed arrangements whereby biomass co-firing stations or units will be able to leave the RO if successful in a CfD application as a biomass conversion? If not, please detail your preferred alternative, and provide evidence supporting it.** |
| **Answer** |
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| **Question 11** |
| **Do you agree with the proposed arrangements whereby biomass co-firing stations or units will be able to leave the RO and bid into the Capacity Market? If not, please detail your preferred alternative, and provide evidence supporting it.** |
| **Answer** |
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| **Question 12** |
| **Do you agree with the proposal for three support options (RO only, RO + CfD, and CfD only) for offshore wind phases which are unregistered during the transition period, or would you be content with only allowing unregistered phases to register under the RO, rather than seek a CfD? Please detail your rationale, and provide evidence supporting it.** |
| **Answer** |
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**Fixed Price Certificates**

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| **Question 13** |
| **Do you consider that the policy of moving to a fixed price scheme (in place of ROCs) from 2027 reflects your current view of the balance of risks and benefits for all parties? If not, please propose your preferred solution, and provide detailed evidence in favour of it.** |
| **Answer** |
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