Regulatory Policy Committee	OPINION
Impact Assessment (IA)	Amendments to Nuclear Decommissioning (Finance and Fees) Regulations 2011
Lead Department/Agency	Department of Energy and Climate Change
Stage	Final
Origin	Domestic
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OIOO Assessment	GREEN

Overall comments on the robustness of the OIOO assessment.

The IA says that the proposal is a deregulatory measure that will be net beneficial for business (an OUT). The estimated EANCB, of -£0.06m appears to be a reasonable assessment of the policy and consistent with OIOO methodology.

Overall quality of the analysis and evidence presented in the IA

Costs and Benefits The IA clearly explains the proposed benefits to business. However the IA should provide a discussion on why there is no expected increase in risks to taxpayers resulting from reducing the level of oversight of operators' funded decommissioning programme.

Signed Michael Gibbons, Chairman