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Smart Metering Implementation Programme - Consultation on Dates for Entry into Force of Section H15 of the Smart Energy Code (SEC) and Incorporation of the DCC Gateway Connection Code of Connection into the SEC

EDF Energy is one of the UK's largest energy companies and is the largest producer of low-carbon electricity. A wholly-owned subsidiary of the EDF Group, one of Europe's largest energy groups, we generate around one fifth of the UK's electricity and employ around 15,000 people. We supply electricity and gas to around 5.8 million residential and business customer accounts, making us the biggest supplier of electricity by volume.

EDF Energy agrees with the proposal for incorporating and bringing into force, as soon as possible, the relevant parts of the SEC necessary to enable parties to request Gateway Connections. This will help to ensure that SEC Parties are able to order their connections in sufficient time to be able to support planned testing activity, especially in regards to the DCC's 'informal' testing environment. Carrying out robust and detailed testing is clearly necessary to ensure the success of the DCC's Initial Live Operation.

EDF Energy raised a number of comments to the DCC in response to their consultation on the DCC Gateway Connection Code of Connection. However, following recent bilateral discussions with the DCC our concerns were accepted, and have been addressed in the revised version of this document issued by the DCC to the Secretary of State on the 23rd December. We therefore do not have any issues with it being designated.

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of our response or have any queries, please contact

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Yours sincerely,