

Extracted from Outlook email that was sent to BEIS

Good Afternoon,

Please see below OVOs response to the Consultation on Smart Energy Code and License Amendments - September 2016. We do not believe we have had a sufficient amount of time to review this consultation fully, but at face value we cannot see any issues. If you require a view on any of the topics that are not covered below, or if you have any further questions about our response, then please do not hesitate to get in contact with myself or any of the above CCd.

Install and Leave

Q2 - OVO agrees with the proposed approach for the implementation of proactive I&L for new connections and replacement meters. The suggested changes will give OVO more flexibility and improve the process as well as allowing us to give the customer clear next steps.

Maintenance of Smart Metering Systems

Q4 - OVO agrees that the proposed legal drafting accurately reflects the policy intention on maintenance and replacement of smart metering systems.

Simplification of Change of Supplier Information Flows

Q5 - OVO agrees with the legal drafting of the proposed amendment to the electricity supply licence condition 50 regarding change of suppliers. This causes no issues within OVOs MOP team.

Changes to the Enduring Testing Approach Document

Q10 - OVO is under the impression that this proposed legal drafting, to provide DCC with the ability to require a Testing Participant to remove its Devices from a DCC test laboratory, is already in place and that this drafting means it will be placed in the SEC, where previously it wasn't. If this is the case then OVO agrees with this.

Provision of Variant Communications Hubs for Testing

Q11 - OVO believes that that proposed and associated legal drafting to clarify the requirements around Test Communications Hubs should read that they should always be able to provide a variant of a comms hub for testing before providing it for use in a live installation. If a variant will not be sent for use in the live environment then we don't require to test it, but if there's a chance it could be then we should be given at least one test device and reasonable time to test it fully.

Changes to Section N to Support SMETS1 Enrolment and Adoption by the DCC

Q12 - OVO agrees with the proposed changes and legal drafting in relation to Section N. We see it as beneficial to allow access to information from us for analysis.

Thank you very much.

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