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Please find below our response to the above consultation. Many thanks for extending the deadline for reply.

We support Option 2 as it would give regulators more clarity on the Government's policy aims and priorities while outlining where Government sees scope for cooperation for the benefit of consumers and the economy. Care would be needed to ensure that any action in this respect does not undermine the objectives or independence of the UKRN or the regulators' sector specific statutory duties.

Regulators should seek to ensure the industry bodies they regulate (such as Network Rail and the utilities) coordinate engineering activity to minimise disruption to the public more effectively. While this is already happening in some areas, there is room for improvement.

Thanks

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