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FOR THE ATTENTION OF THE BUSINESS RATES SECTION

Dear Chief Finance Officer

Business Rates Information Letter (3/2017): Multipliers

This is the third business rates information letter to be issued by the Department for Communities and Local Government this year. Previous letters are available on the internet at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/business-rates-information-letters>

or for archived letters:

<http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/20120919132719/http://www.communities.gov.uk/localgovernment/localgovernmentfinance/businessrates/busratesinformationletters/>.

Notification of the Non-Domestic Rating Multipliers for 2017/2018

Following the approval by the House of Commons on 22 February 2017 of the Local Government Finance Report (England) 2017/2018, the Secretary of State has calculated the non-domestic rating multipliers for England for 2017/2018.

In accordance with the requirements of paragraph 6(1) of Schedule 7 to the Local Government Finance Act 1988 (inserted by paragraph 62 of the Local Government Act 2003), this Business Rates Information Letter provides details on the non-domestic rating multiplier and the small business non-domestic rating multiplier for England for 2017/2018:

- **non-domestic rating multiplier 47.9p (0.479)**
- **small business non-domestic rating multiplier 46.6p (0.466)**

This confirms the provisional figure notified to you in Business Rates Information Letter 3/2016 of 20 December 2016. An explanation of how the small business multiplier has been calculated is attached at **Annex A**.

Annex A

CALCULATION OF THE SMALL BUSINESS NON-DOMESTIC RATING MULTIPLIER FOR ENGLAND

For 2017/18 (based on data published 30 September 2016)

A = 2016/17 Small Business Multiplier 0.484

B = RPI for September 2016 264.9

C = RPI for September 2015 259.6

D = Estimated total RV for 31/3/17 once all alterations to the 2010 list
have been made: £59,523,806,184

E = estimated total RV for 1/4/17 once all alterations to the 2017 list
have been made: £63,039,764,793

Calculation of Multiplier

2017/18 multiplier = $(A \times B \times D) / (C \times E)$

= $(0.484 \times 264.9 \times £59,524m) / (259.6 \times £63,040)$

= **0.466** (to nearest 0.001)