Opinion: EANDCB validation

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ECO2 data dictionary and notification template Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Ofgem

RPC rating: validated

Description of proposal

The Energy Company Obligation (ECO) scheme requires larger suppliers to deliver a certain amount, depending on market share, of energy efficiency measures to households across Great Britain. The data dictionary provides information to assist suppliers when they complete their monthly notifications of energy efficiency measures under ECO2. The notification template is what suppliers need to use for this. These documents were published in line with the start of ECO2 in April 2015 but have updated and re-published in order to ensure suppliers had early sight and understanding of how they should notify measures during the ECO2t extension year (31 March 2017 – 30 September 2018).

Impacts of proposal

Energy suppliers obligated under the ECO scheme, i.e. those serving more than 250,000 domestic customers and providing more than 400 gigawatt hours of electricity or more than 2,000 gigawatt hours of gas, will be affected. This applies to 12 energy suppliers. The regulator considers that the only cost will be familiarisation. Using evidence from a study on reading speeds and ONS data on wage rates of managers and professionals, this results in a one-off cost of £1,361. The assessment describes qualitatively the benefits of the guidance.

Quality of submission

The regulator's assessments appear to be proportionate given the very low expected cost. The estimates seem reasonable as the new guidance documents update previous documents to incorporate the changes to ECO2t.

Departmental assessment

Classification	Qualifying regulatory provision
Equivalent annual net direct cost to business (EANDCB)	£0.0million

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Business net present value	£0.0 million
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RPC assessment

Classification	Qualifying regulatory provision
EANDCB – RPC validated ¹	£0.0 million
Business Impact Target (BIT) Score ¹	£0.0 million

Michael Gibbons CBE, Chairman

¹ For reporting purposes, the RPC validates EANDCB and BIT score figures to the nearest £100,000.