WATER SERVICES REGULATION AUTHORITY WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1991, SECTION 14A(3)

ANGLIAN WATER SERVICES LIMITED BRISTOL WATER PLC NORTHUMBRIAN WATER LIMITED YORKSHIRE WATER SERVICES LIMITED

Notice of Extension of References: Determination of Price Controls for the period from 1 April 2020

24 March 2020

- 1. On 19 March 2020, the Water Services Regulation Authority ("Ofwat") made four references to the Competition and Markets Authority ("CMA") under section 12 of the Water Industry Act 1991 in relation to Anglian Water Services Limited, Bristol Water plc, Northumbrian Water Limited and Yorkshire Water Services Limited ("the References").
- 2. The terms of the References required the CMA to report on and determine the relevant Disputed Determination (as defined in each of the References) within a period of six months beginning with the date of the References.
- 3. Ofwat, having received and considered representations from the CMA, is satisfied, given the nature and scale of work involved in four water industry price control references and the possible disruption from the COVID-19 situation, that there are special reasons why the reports cannot be made within the period specified in the References and extends the period specified in the References by six months.
- 4. The CMA therefore has a period of twelve months beginning with the date of the References to report on and determine the Disputed Determinations.

Signed for and on behalf of the Water Services Regulation Authority

Rachel Fletcher Chief Executive