

Contracts for Difference: Stakeholder Bulletin 26/07/2021

Published – Government response to the Call for Evidence: Enabling a High Renewable, Net Zero Electricity System

Today we published the Government's response to our Call for Evidence: Enabling a High Renewable, Net Zero Electricity System, which ran from 14 December 2020 to 8 March 2021. The Call for Evidence sought views on how a wide range of renewable policies should adapt over the next decade, cementing the UK's pathway to net zero.

The Contracts for Difference (CfD) scheme has been hugely successful in delivering renewable generation whilst reducing the costs of technology. However, we are aware that challenges have emerged over time in procuring renewables through the CfD that will need short-term incremental improvements and longer-term change. We recognise any longer-term changes will need to be considered holistically as part of a wider approach to the electricity market being spearheaded by BEIS.

We have provided a summary of responses received, which will inform our approach to the long-term future of renewable support and the future design of the CfD scheme. The Government response can be found on GOV.UK here: https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/enabling-a-high-renewable-net-zero-electricity-system-call-for-evidence

We would like to thank all stakeholders that responded to this Call for Evidence, with detailed and insightful views that have been well received by several teams across BEIS. This is part of an ongoing engagement with stakeholders and further consultation will be undertaken on any future policy proposals.

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