

Energy Market Investigation (ECOES/DES) Order 2016 Revocation Order 2024

Background

- 1. In 2016, the Competition and Markets Authority (CMA) published a final report on its market investigation into the supply of energy in the UK.¹ The final report identified a number of concerns including that a combination of features of the markets for domestic retail supply of gas and electricity in Great Britain gives rise to an Adverse Effect on Competition (AEC).
- 2. On 14 December 2016, the CMA made the Energy Market Investigation (ECOES/DES) Order 2016 (the Order) to remedy certain of the AECs identified in its final report.
- 3. The CMA has a duty to consider whether, by reason of any change of circumstances, the Order is no longer appropriate and needs to be varied or revoked.
- 4. On 19 March 2024, the CMA published its provisional decision that, by reason of change of circumstances, it is appropriate to revoke the Order. On 10 July 2024, the CMA published its final decision to revoke the Order.
- 5. The CMA makes this order exercising its powers under paragraph 162 and Schedule 10 to the Enterprise Act 2002 for the purpose of revoking the Order.

¹ Energy market investigation: Final report, published on 24 June 2016.

The Order

The Competition and Markets Authority (the CMA) makes this order exercising its powers under paragraph 162 and Schedule 10 to the Enterprise Act 2002 for the purpose of revoking the Energy Market Investigation (ECOES/DES) Order 2016. The Energy Market Investigation (ECOES/DES) Order 2016 was made to remedy adverse effects on competition identified in the final report of the CMA's energy market investigation, published on 24 June 2016.²

Citation, commencement and purpose

- 1. This Order may be cited as 'the Energy Market Investigation (ECOES/DES) Order 2016 Revocation Order 2024'.
- 2. This Order shall come into force on 10 July 2024 which is the date this Order is signed.
- 3. The purpose of this Order is to revoke the Energy Market Investigation (ECOES/DES) Order 2016.

Revocation

4. The Energy Market Investigation (ECOES/DES) Order 2016 is revoked.

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² This order may be reviewed under section 179 of the Enterprise Act 2002 (s.164(3) Enterprise Act 2002).