

All holders of a gas or electricity supply licence, Distribution Network Operators and Gas Transporters, Smart DCC Limited, the Retail Energy Code Company, and all parties interested in or impacted by Retail Code Consolidation

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Dear Colleague,

Completion of Retail Code Consolidation Significant Code Review (SCR)1

Ofgem² previously designated³ "Retail Code Consolidation", as referred to in the Retail Energy Code (REC); Retail Code Consolidation SCR modification decisions⁴ and our related licence modification decision notices⁵, as taking effect from 00:01 hours on 1 September 2021.

With the coming into effect of Retail Energy Code version 2.06 on 1 September 2021, together with the implementation of consequential changes to other industry codes and the close-down processes for the Master Registration agreement and Supply Point Administration Agreement being in train⁷, we do not consider that further Authority-led

¹ The <u>RCC SCR launch statement</u> is on the Ofgem website.

² References to the "Authority", "Ofgem", "we" and "our" are used interchangeably in this document. The Authority refers to GEMA, the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority. The Office of Gas and Electricity Markets (Ofgem) supports GEMA in its day to day work. This decision is made by or on behalf of GEMA.

³ The <u>designation document</u> is on the Ofgem website.

⁴ Retail Code Consolidation SCR: MRA modification decision (CP 0270); Retail Code Consolidation SCR: SPAA modification decision (SCP 513);

Retail Code Consolidation SCR: DCUSA modification decision (DCP 391); Retail Code Consolidation SCR: SEC modification decision (MP 161);

Retail Code Consolidation SCR: UNC modification decision (UNC 0768);

Retail Code Consolidation SCR: IGT UNC modification decision;
Retail Code Consolidation SCR: BSC modification decision

⁵ Decision on statutory consultation on proposals to modify licence conditions as a result of Retail Code Consolidation, including copies of the statutory notices, available on the Ofgem website.

⁶ The approved REC baseline is available on the REC website.

⁷ The relevant modification decisions are available on the Ofgem website here and here.

modification proposals under and pursuant to the Retail Code Consolidation SCR require to be submitted in relation to the Balancing and Settlement Code (BSC); Distribution Connection and Use of System Agreement (DCUSA), Independent Gas Transporters Uniform Network Code (IGT UNC), Smart Energy Code (SEC) or Uniform Network Code (UNC) (together, the **Relevant Codes**).

Our decision

The "Significant Code Review Phase" for the Retail Code Consolidation SCR in respect of each of the Relevant Codes has therefore come to an end, and we are therefore ending the Retail Code Consolidation SCR as a whole.

The coming into effect of REC version 2.0 will support the introduction of faster and more reliable switching through a centralised switching service. It will also help with efficient management and delivery of code change, supporting innovation, lowering costs and achieving better outcomes for consumers. We look forward to working with code bodies and other stakeholders as we continue to progress the faster switching programme⁹ and related Switching SCR¹⁰.

Yours faithfully,

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¹⁰ The Switching SCR launch statement is on the Ofgem website.

⁸ As defined in each of the Relevant Codes.

⁹ <u>Further information on the Switching programme</u> is available on the Ofgem website.