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Ofgem Christmas moratorium

Dear Code Administrator,

As you will be aware, Ofgem has set itself a target of issuing 90% of code modification decisions within 25 working days of receiving Final Modification Reports (or the closing date of the Impact Assessment/consultation, if applicable). During the Christmas period we do not generally publish decisions or other information on our website. <u>Our last publishing day will be Friday 21 December 2018 and we will begin to publish documents again on Wednesday 2 January 2019.</u>

We have written to you in the past to say that we will take into account the days that fall during Ofgem's Christmas 'publishing moratorium' when calculating the KPI/indicative decision date for any modification proposals that had been submitted to us for decision. We will adopt the same approach this year. Whilst it may extend the decision timetable for some code modification decisions, it will continue to ensure transparency around decision timings and reduce scope for Ofgem issuing a high number of decisions ahead of or during the publishing moratorium period. We expect industry, in particular smaller parties, will find this helpful.

We will be communicating this at the next code Panel meeting so that this can be taken into account if need be when considering modification implementation timescales. It may be appropriate to issue certain code modification decisions during the publishing moratorium (for example, for reasons of urgency) and we will consider this on a case-by-case basis.

If you have any questions in the meantime please contact us.

Kind regards,

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