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Notice to amend the MHHS Data Access Framework Commencement Date (MDACD)

On 7 September 2022, we¹ published our decision on our proposals to modify Standard Licence Condition (SLC) 47 of the electricity supply licences.^{2,3} We set out in licence condition 47.4(b) that data for forecasting and/or MHHS business readiness could be obtained by the licensee *"from 1 October 2023 (or such earlier or later date as the Authority may publish in Writing, and on the basis that the Authority may publish different dates for different categories of Customer and/or for different categories of Electricity Meter)"*.

As per the licence text as consulted on, the MDACD was based on the policy that licensees may process this data from one year before the planned start of the MHHS transition period.^{4,5} Since the publication of these changes to SLC 47 however, the MHHS Programme has completed a thorough replan activity. Change Request CR022 proposed to move the start date for migration (milestone M11) from October 2024 to April 2025 and to move the migration completion date (milestone M15) from October 2025 to October 2026.

The proposed new dates delay these Level 1 milestones by 6 months and 12 months respectively.^{6, 7} Ofgem conditionally approved Change Request CR022 which included

¹ 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.

² [MHHS: Decision on Statutory Consultation on Proposals to Modify Standard Licence Condition 47 | Ofgem](#)

³ Link [here](#) to the licence conditions on the Ofgem website

⁴ [Statutory consultation - Proposal to modify condition 47: "Smart Metering – Matters Relating To Obtaining and Using Consumption Data" \(SLC 47\) of the Electricity Supply Standard Licence Conditions | Ofgem](#)

⁵ The MHHS transition period referring to the date from which Meter Point Administration Numbers (MPANs) can be migrated into MHHS.

⁶ [Programme Plan & Complementary Documents - MHHS Programme](#)

⁷ [Decision on Market-wide Half Hourly Settlement Change Request CR022 \('MHHS Programme Replan'\) | Ofgem](#)

moving several Programme Level 1 milestones by three or more months. Under CR022, the migration window has been increased from 12 to 18 months. This extension is based on a phased approach to migration. The MHHS Programme considers a phased approach to migration will enable the earliest practicable delivery of MHHS benefits. As a result, the date which we based the MDACD on, i.e., the start of the transition period, has been amended from 1 October 2024 to 4 April 2025.

To maintain our position that the licensee may process data for forecasting and business readiness from one year before the planned start of the transition period therefore, **it is the decision of the Authority that the MDACD will now be 4 April 2024. This date supersedes the date of 01 October 2023 as set out in licence condition 47.4(b).**

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Melissa Giordano

Deputy Director - Retail

Signed on behalf of the Authority and authorised for that purpose.