Questions on legal text as at 27 March 2013						
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I	LC22B repeatedly uses the terms "the		I	I	ĺ	1	1 1
	licensee must ensure" and "the licensee						
	must not use"These requirements could						
	therefore be read as applying to contracts						
	entered into before the LC comes into						
	force. In other words, the terms of Expired						
	Fixed term contracts would need to be						
	changed to make them RMR compliant. Is						
	this intended to require extant fixed term						
	contracts as at RMR go live to satisfy RMR						
	tariff simplifcation rules eg on discounts,						
	surcharges etc? We oppose this. But if it						
	is intended it should be explicit given the						
4		22B.1 (a)	X	X	X		X
	we require clarification of the significance	, ,					
	of d over c. Also why is standing charge						
5	capitalized in c but not d?	22b.4 © and (d)	Χ				Χ
	This is not English. It does not state what						
	a Tied Bundle would not be regarded as						
	similar to. It should read: "Two Tied						
	ppoducts would not be regarded as similar						
	to each other if one of them includes						
	distinct additional features compared to the						
6		22B.10				X	
	Generally, the drafting does not reflect the						
	policy intent. The drafting of these clauses						
	is flawed as they suggest that Tied						
	Bundles and Optional Bundles respectively						
	could themselves be Core Tariifs. This is						
	illogical both as a matter of paractice and						
	given the definiton of Core Tariff. The						
	starting point is that a Tariff includes an						
	energy element and non-energy element	00D 44 100D40					
	so it includes Tied and Optional Bundles.	22B.11 and 22B13					
	By contrast, the intent is that Core Tariffs						
	include Tied Bundles, but not Optional						
	Bundles. Tied bundles are an element of a						
	Core Tariff so SB.11 should read: " Every Tariff which includes a Tied Bundle						
-		LC1	x			X	
/	constitutes a separate Core Tariff".	LUI	Λ			_ ^	

	Optional Bundles are element of a Tariff so the definition of Opt out Bundle in LC 1 should not read "combined with" but "which is an element of".					
	The definition of Core Tariff is inconsistent with S22B.1. Core tariff definition suggests item in the schedule are excluded from definition of Core Tariff whereas S22B.1 states that the items in the schedules are					
8	excluded from the definition of "Tariff".  Presumably this should read "Core Tariff".	S22B.1			X	
9	This states "Subject to paragraphs 22B.48 to 22B.16". There are two flaws in this paragraph: 48 comes after 16 and there is no paragraph 48. The effects of these errors (and the one above) are that it is impossible to determine conclusively what Ofgem considers to be a Tariff and a Core Tariff.	S22B.1 (k)	x		X	
	Definition of Separate charges (those not covered by SC/SUR) includes telephone calls, but the definition of those items	- ( )				
10	which are excluded from core tariff does not. Is this intended and, if so, why?	22A.6 and sch to	X			

	Ofgem has created a great deal of confusion and complexity in this clause by defining a Bundled Product also (in some circumstances) as a discount. In doing this, Ofgem is conflating two separate dimensions to the Tariff. The first is the charges which apply to the bundled product and the second is the discount which arises through charging less for the bundle than would be charged for the products separately. As a consequence the drafting does not make sense as it requires the Bundled product to be charged continuously (22B.16) and in terms of £/year or p/day. The requirement for charges to be £/year or £/Kwh does not square with the sort of charging that might apply for example to mobile phones. The conclusion would be that very many bundles would be ruled out as the bundled product could not be charged in the way prescribed by Ofgem. An alternative interpretation is that the bundled product could be provided free, but not at a discount (See Ofgem's TV example on page 133 of the con doc). A free bundled product would be charged at £0/year and Op/KWh. In any event, these restrictions are excessively restrictive. Moreover, by seeking to regulate the price strcuture on non energy products, Ofgem could be						
11	exceeding its vires.	22B15	X	Χ	Χ	Χ	Х
12	22B.15 (a) is unclear and inconsistent with 22B.14. 22B15 a recognizes bundles with similar features. 22B.14 rules them out.					X	
	It follows that since it is unrealistic to express the charges of some potential Bundles continuously as £/year or p/KWh, it will be similarly difficult to apply the						
13	discount element for taking the bundle in	22B15 and 22B16	X	X	X	X	X

	such a format.						
	However, where it is possible to satisfy the						
	requirements of 22B.15 by expressing the						
	discount for taking the Bundled Tariff as						
	£/year, there would be an inevitable breach						
	of 22B.4. Suppose there is an						
	administrative cost saving of £10/year						
	through supply a customer with both						
	electrcity and telecoms services. The						
	discount could satisfy 22B15 by being						
	expressed as £10/year and it could be						
	deducted from the phone bill. However,						
	the saving arises in an area described in						
	economics as "Joint costs". As such It						
	could have been deducted from the						
	electricity standing charge and would						
	therefore breach 22B.4 (d). As such the						
	drafting creates a catch 22 and an inevitable breach for a wide range of						
	bundles. The conclusion is either that the						
	drafting is flawed. Or if it is intentional, it						
14		22B15 and 22B.4	X	X	Χ	X	Х
	There seem to be numerous contradictions	ZZD TO GITG ZZD. T					
	between figure 4 on page 50 of con doc						
	and 22B15. Why can the boiler/energy						
	bundle can be applied continuously in						
	example 2 and is OK, but not in example 3.						
	Surely a continuous discount is one that						
	could be applied to SC or UR and						
	therefore is ruled out under 22B.15 (b) (iv)						
	for a similar reason that case 3 is ruled out						
	by 22B.15 (b) (iii).						
	As regards example 5, the figure says the						
	bundle is allowed with the boiler charged						
	as a mark up to the standing charge. But						
	22B.15 (b) (iii) prohibits bundles which are	50 ( )					
1	applied to the standing charge.	p50 of con doc and					V
15	As regards example 8, It is hard to see	22B.15/16	X	X	Χ	Χ	X

	why this is not allowed if example 3 is allowed. The cost of the breakdown cover can be expressed as £/year as required by 22B.15 (d). And any discount in the price of cover could be applied based on how long the energy contract lasts.					
	It is unclear whether it is the price of the bundled product, the discount on the bundled product or both which must be applied continuously. So in the breakdown example, it could be that the cover is offered only for one year periods at a price of £100, but that a discount of up to £10/year is offered which must accrue on a daily basis. this would be a practical requirement. An unrealistic interpretation would be that the breadown insurance can only be sold on a continuous daily basis and that the discount compared to the unbundled price must also accrue on a dailly basis. These problems arise because the drafting conflates the requirements regarding the price of the Bundle with the requirements around the discount at which the bundle is sold to its					
16	unbundled price.	22B.16			X	
17	22B.18 "Similar features" to what? The issues around the definition and	22B.18			Х	
	requirements for bundles and discounts manifest themselves also in the rules around the TCR. For example, charges for a tied bundle are required to be included in the TCR which is a p/kWh figure. Page 50 of the con doc describes an allowable tied					
18	bundle of energy and boiler. But Ofgem does not explain how the charges for a	31C.5 (d) (x) (3) and 31C.5 (d) (iii).	X		X	X

	boiler could be translated into a p/kWh figure. Similarly, suppliers are required to express the discount amount alongside the TCR. By implication, this must also be expressed as p/KWh. Again, Ofgem must explain how this can be done in its boiler					
	bundle example.					
	Is this saying that if you have a core tariff without reward points and an identical one with reward points that they count as only one and not two core tariffs? The wording "Reward points discount being treated as an additional core tariff" does not make sense. A discount cannot of itself be a					
	tariff. (See also p168 of con doc). It is a					
19		22B.19	X		Χ	X
	Similar comments regarding required drafting changes apply, mutatis mutandis, to 22B.17 to 22B.23 as to the comments on the section on the treatment of bundled					
20	products.	22B.17 to 22B.23	X		Χ	Χ
	The example on page 50 of the con doc demonstrates how intrusive Ofgem's rules are on the pricing of Bundled products. P50 says that a discounted boiler can be provided with energy so long as the discount on the boiler is provided continuously. However, the discount on the boiler can only be provided continuously if the boiler is paid for under "hire" purchase" type arrangements and not as a lump sum. Moreover, unlike a standard hire purchase arrangement an evergreen contract does not have a fixed term so it is impossible to determine how					
22	much to charge for the boiler each year.	22B.8 to 22B.16	X			X

	The wording of this carve out does not work. The intent presumably is to say that where it doesn't make sense to charge bundles, surcharges on a p/kWh or £/year basis or to offer discounts on this basis, suppliers don't have to. However, this is not what it says. It says they don't have to if it would be misleading. Drafting which better refelcts the policy intent would be: "it						
	would be reasonable to present the						
	information about the monetary amount in						
	a more appropriate way to £/year or						
23		22B.24 and 25	Х			Х	
	See comment on deficient wording of 22B.24 and 25 which affects the						
24		22B.28 (i)	X			x	
	22B.31 should apply to good value expired	(//					
	dead evergreen tariffs (and preseerved						
	tariffs) as well. Such tariffs are not						
25	available to all customers.	22B.30 and 22B.31		X		Х	
26	What does it mean to have regard to guidance?	22B.35	X				
20	Why is there no Electricity only affiliate	220.00	Λ				
27	definition?	22B.36	X				
	Whose responsibility is it to confirm that a						
	collective switching scheme satisfies the						
	defined criteria? It would make sense for it						
	to be Ofgem. There is a risk that companies participate in godd faith only to						
	find that the scheme does not satisfy						
	Ofgem's criteria and they have entered into						
28	contracts which breach Ofgem's rules.	22B.36	X	X	Χ		
	The definition of "Non time of use						
	arrangement" seems to confuse definiing						
	the contractual arrangement in terms of type of time of day offering with payment						
	method by defining it in terms of payment						
	method. Surely it should instead define as						
	where the charges do not depend on the						
29	time of day when the energy is consumed?	22B.36	X				Χ

	How would a smart meter in PPM mode be classified, it can't be both a TOU and non TOU meter.					
30	Not all of the charges eg moving a meter are sensibly expressed as £/year or p/kWh as required by S22B.2 subject to 22B24. See comment on deficient wording of 22B.24 and 25.	S22B.2			×	
	Clarification required as to whether this is intended to allow a supplier not to levy a type of charge generally or whether it permits the supplier may waive a charge it does generally levy in particular cases. For example, can a poor custoer be excused meter moving charges without					
31	breaching these rules?	S22B.3	X			Χ
	Prohibits extending in any way the duration					
	of a fixed term period. Could entering into					
	a follow on fixed term period not be					
	regarded as an extension of the original	0000	V			V
32		S22C.2	Х			X
20	Definition of "sub annual consumption	1.04				
33		LC1			X	
	"Estimated Annual cost". It would appear					
	that where different unit rates apply for different periods within the fixed term					
	contract that these are factored in to the					
	calculation of EAC. But this is not clear					
	from the definition. It would be helpful to					
34		LC1	X			X
	Contingent Discount is defined as a					
	Discount which is not a Non-Contingent					
	Discount and includes a Termination Fee.					
	However, there is no definition of Non-					
	Contingent Discount. Consequently, we					
	cannot work out what either is, although					
25	they are important concepts for RMR. For	1.04	\ \			
35	example, the EAC is calculated by	LC1	X		X	

	subtracting Discount amounts and discount amounts include non-contingent discounts. Consequently, it is impossible to determine how we should calculate EAC.						
36	The drafting relating to discounts contains an important internal contradiction as follows:"Discount" is defined as an "Energy Discount". And "Energy Discount" is defined as being "applied directly to a unit rate or standing charge". It follows that a Discount must be applied directly to a unit rate or standing charge. However, 22B.4 expressly prohibits discounts from being applied to the SC or UR.	LC1 and 22B.4	X			X	X
- 00	"EAC" appears to be calcuated for the	LOT and ZZD.4				, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Λ
	forward looking year based on the annualized costs of the fixed term contract						
	even if that only has a short period to run.						
37	This is misleading.	LC1		X	Х		
	"Relevant Meter type" is defined primarily						
	in terms of time of use, but then confuses this apprach by defining standard credit						
	and prepayment as two different meter						
38	types.	LC1					Χ
	A key objective of RMR is simplicity and transparency. However, a general concern with this licence condition is that it will lead to a complex communication being sent to the customer, potentially containing information about three different products: the customer's existing product, the Relevant Cheapest Evergreen Tariff, a further fixed term period for an existing Fixed Term Supply Contract.						

	these products are: the tariffs' Principal Terms, Estimated Annual Costs, Tariff Information Label						
40	SLC 22C.3(h), p23 – Contains a reference to SLC 23.3(f), which does not exist either currently or in Ofgem's proposals.	22C.3 (h)				X	
41	The 49 to 42 day requirement for provision of the renewal notice is restrictive.	22C.4(a)		_			
41	The word "or" needs to be inserted after	220.4(a)		X			
42	sub sections a,b and c	22C.8				X	
43	The second reference to Relevant Cheapest Tariff should read Alternative Cheapest Tariff.	22C.12 (b)				X	
44	This seems to be applicable as a self standing requirement. Surely, it should be stated as applying only in the context of a renewal notice. More generally, what is the point of providing an annual cheapest tariff message to customers currently on a fixed term contract especially if it misleads them into thinking they have the right to change tariff or supplier?	22C.13	X		X	X	
44_	Why do we need a specific definition "relevant Account Management Arrangement"? Why not sub current for	220.13	^		^	^	
45	relevant and use the definition in LC1?	22C.21				Χ	
46	This clause does not say anything.	LC 22CA clause 22C.4A				X	
47	Paragraph numbering seems awry as in LC22CA. For example clauses 31CA.1, 22C.4A, 31CA.2 -these are not internally consistent or consistent with LC number	LC22CA				X	

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	For a customer on a dead (evergreen)	22D.9(i) (v) and					
	tariff, isn't the Relevant Cheapest tariff the	definition of					
	same as the Relevant Cheapest Evergreen	Relevant Chepaest					
48	Tariff so why do we need this sub-clause?	Evergreen Tariff"				X	
10	We need confirmation of our legal view	Evergreen raim				Λ	
	that security deposits are not charges and						
	therefore not subject to the rules around						
	charges. In addition, we need confirmation						
	that the definition of Core tariff, which						
	includes terms and conditions which are						
	not excluded by virtue of schedule 1, does						
	not mean that if different customers are						
	charged different security deposits that						
49	constitutes a different core tariff.	S22B.2 and LC1	X	Χ	X		X
	Relevant cheapest tariffs must be live						
	tariffs, but this whole condition applies to						
	dead tariffs. How can the customer already						
	be on the supplier's cheapest (live) tariff if						
	they are on a dead tariff? The statement						
	should presumably be that the tariff we will						
	be moving you to is the cheapest (or only)						
	live evergreen tariff? Similar comment						
	applies to customers moved off terminating						
50	fixed term contracts.(22C13 - 22C.15)	22D.17 (b)				X	
51	similar comment as for 22D.17 (b)	22D.18				X	
	The restriction on providing between 30						
	and 37 days in advance of intended						
	application will provide operational						
	compliance difficulties. Two weeks would						
52	be more realistic.	23A.2 (b) (i)		X			
	What happens if the customer gives						
	agreement after the stated date of						
50	intended effect, can the change be	004 0 (1) (1)	V				
53	backdated to the intended date?	23A.2 (b) (i)	Χ		ĺ		1

	Is it credible that the only thing a customer					
	needs to input is address or post code to					
	bring up any TIL? Should they not also put					
54	in fixed or evergreen for example?	31B.4	X	Х		
	Two months notice may not be long					
	enough to make some changes to					
	provision of info eg on websites re TUOS	045 40				
55	tariffs.	31B.10	-	Х		
	The wording of (a) seems to repeat "within					
50	oneday of the time the change takes	31C.6			X	
56	effect". Looks like a drafting error.	310.0			Λ	
57	2 months may not be long enough to develop TCRs for TOU tariffs?	31C.11		X		
57	These seem to apply to all White Label	310.11		^		
	whether or not they are done unde the					
	same white label banner. This appears					
	more onerous than other rules which apply					
	the rules to the products of "ths same					
58	white label provider".	31D.5 and 31D.11	X	X		X
	Relevant cheapest evergreen tariff has	01210 4114 012111				
	been restricted to white lable offerings from					
	same white label provider in respect of					
	white lable. But white label does not seem					
	to have been excluded from parent for the					
	purposes of this definition as it applies to					
59	the parent	31D.21 and 31D.22	X	X		X
	Alternative Cheapest Tariff: The definition					
	where the customer is subject to TOU tariff					
	could result in the stated cheapest tariff					
	being based on a meter type different from					
	that which supports the TOU tariff the					
60	customer is on. Is this intended?	LC1	Χ			
	Annual Consumption Details: The lack of					
	specification of how annual consumption					
	should be calculated especially where					
	there there are not two meter readings					
	could lead to inconsistent approaches					
	between suppliers. LC23.13 (b) raises the	1.0411.000.40				
04	possibility that Ofgem will specify the	LC1 and LC23.13	V			
61	methodoogy for determining consumption.	(b)	Χ			

	Will Ofgem follow this up?						
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	Discounts exclude compensation						
	payments. Definition of discount would						
	seem to include waiving payments which						
	would otherwise have been due such as						
	due to delays in billing (as these are not						
	covered by definition of compensation),						
62	debt forgiveness and free meter moves.	LC1	X				Χ
	Why do we need Energy Discount and						
	Discount? Also definition of Energy						
	Discount appears to contradict discount	LC1and 22B.4 (c)					
63	restrictions in 22B.4 (c) and (d)	and (d)				X	X
	Discount: There are two competing						
	definitions. This is a key failing as the						
	concept and meaning of "discount" are						
	central to an understanding of the RMR						
64	rules	LC1	X			Χ	Χ
	Dynamic Teleswitching: Does this relate to						
65	just 2 unit rates or could there be more?	LC1	Х				
	Dual Fuel Discount: Ofgem's verbal						
	clarifcation that, if we offer a DFD, it must						
	be paid to all customers to whom we						
	supply 2 fuels is problematic and						
	contradicts its previous advice. Ofgem's proposal is a departure from the principle						
	of cost reflectivity that, in other areas,						
	Ofgem endorses. If a customer receives						
	two fuels via different payment methods						
	there are no cost savings. We advocate						
	that suppliers should be allowed to specify						
	the terms on which the DFD is payable eg						
	we treat the supply as one account. This						
	would be consistent with the definition						
66	Ofgem has adopted for communications.	LC1	X	X	Χ		X
	Economy 10 and variants - the definition						
	allows only two unit rates whereas our						
	understanding is that some variants of						
67	Economy 10 have 3 different unit rates.	LC1	X				

1	(b) in "Estimated annual Savings" should			l		1
	sub "alternative Cheapest Tariff" for					
68	"Relevant Cheapest Tariff"	LC1			X	
- 00	Both "Live Evergreen Tariff" and "Live					
	Evergreen Tariffs" are defined. It is					
	unnecessary to have the singular and					
	plural (especially given the amendment to					
	LC2 -2.5A © - and the plural is incorrect as					
	it is defined as being capable of being					
69	applied to a single Tariff.	LC1			X	
	Why is the formulation of "Relevant					
	Standing Charge" different from "Relevant					
	Unit Rate"? The definition of the latter					
	omits the definition for Fixed Term					
70	contracts which is included for the former.	LC1			Χ	X
	"Time of Use Periods" definition doesn't					
71	make sense	LC1	Χ		Χ	X
	The definition of Tariff encompasses all					
	aspects of the contract including Bundles.					
	since opt in and opt out bundles must be					
	avaialble for all tariffs, they are necessarily					
	part of the terms and conditions of all					
	Tariffs. The references in the defintions of					
	Opt out and Tied Bundles to "combined					
	with a Tariff" should therefore be "included					
	in a Tariff". The definition of Opt in Bundle					
	should be: "a Non-Energy Product part of a					
	Tariff which is only provided if the					
	Domestic Customer actively chooses to					
72	receive it."	LC1	Х		Х	Х
	Is it a good idea to force the use of term					
	"Personal Projection"? In some cases, the					
	calculation might not be a good estimate of					
	likely costs eg where it relates to a fixed					
70	period contract that only has a short period	L C00 4B	_			
73	to run	LC23.1B	Χ			

	The template for the TIL states that VAT should be included whereas the LC on	Schedule to 31B S1.1 template and LC23.4 (s) and S1.11 and S2.15				
	price increase notices says VAT should be	and S3.14 and				
74	excluded.	S4.18	X		Х	
		Sch1 to LC23 S1.2				
		and S2.2 and S3.2				
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75	In the templates the word "from" should replace "after"	and S5.7 and S6.2 S6.7 and S6.10			X	
		2211 3113 20113				
70	It is not clear whether costs should be	Sch 5 and Sch 6 to	V			V
76	inclusive or exclusive of VAT The description in the templates of	LC23	X			Х
	"Current prices" and "New prices" is					
	unhelpful and likely to confuse given the					
	same heading applied to other templates.  Better headings would be "Projected					
	charges at current prices" and "Projected	Sch 5 S5.2 and				
77	charges at new prices".	Sch 6 S6.2 to LC23				X

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	supplier." This latter formulation is more acceptable.					
82	What is meant by "over the previous 12 months"? In an example say where a bill is dated 21 March and is for a period up to 23 February?	Sch 2 S2.11 (a) and S12 to LC31A	X			x
83	c (i) requires suppliers to record the amount of money paid during the period. However, some of these payments may relate to a previous period so the sum of what has been paid during the year in c(i) plus the outstanding balance for the year in c(ii) won't necessarily add up to the total of what the customer owes in respect of energy consumed during the period.	LC31A S4.11 ©	X			X
84	d(ii) seems to duplicate d(i), although the wording differs slightly	LC31A S4.11 (d)			Х	
85	Template uses words "for next 12 months". Strcitly, given statement date is 15 Jan, should this read: "for the period 1 Jan 2012 to 31 dec 2012"?	LC31A S4.11 (e) and template in part 1			x	
86	The licence does not specifiy the periods which must be compared. However, there is little point in comparing periods which are not comparable. This suggests that this requirement should only apply if the supplier has been supplying the customer for at least two years. (Or alternatively that Ofgem estabilshes arrangements whereby suppliers have access to their customers' consumption with previous suppliers).	LC31A S4.11 (d) (i)	X			X
87	What's the difference between g and h? They both seem to be the end of the fixed price period.	LC31A S4.15 (g) and (h)	х			

	S4.15 (n) and (p) duplicate S4.11 (b) and (e). Is this necessary? It also presents the					
	same challenges as noted above for					
	establishing the annual consumption for so	LC31A S4.15 (n)				
88		and (p)	Х	X		
	Are capped tariffs allowed? These could					
	be a combination of a fixed price and					
	indexed tariff? It could be argued that they					
	are because any increase would be fully					
	linked to an index. However, not all					
	increases justifed by the index would be	1000000				
89	applied.	LC22C.9 to C.11	Х			
	LC31C.6 (b) requires the TCR to be					
	updated before price changes take effect					
	and the TCR must be included on the					
	Annual Statement. However, price					
	projections must be based on new prices					
	as soon as they are made public which is					
	likely to be up to sixty days in advance of					
	them taking effect. This raises the					
	prospect that the TCR and PP will be on					
	inconsistent bases. This is even though					
	TCRs must be calculated using Relevant Standing Charges and Unit Rates which					
	are defined in LC1 as being the latest					
	publicly announced. Is the question how					
	quickly updated TCRs are transalted into	LC31C.6 and				
90	communications?	LC31A S15 (q)	X			
30	The example on p133 of the con doc	<u> </u>	^			
	States that a termination fee is payable if					
	you end your contract before XXXX.					
	Should the date XXXX be the formal end of					
	the contract or the start of the switching					
	window (min 42 days befroe formal					
	contract end) as LC. Similar comment					
	applies to statements about application of					
	exit fees whichappear on bills and annual					
91	statements.	24.8 (b)	X		X	

	"25C.3 For the purposes of this condition, the licensee or any Representative would not be regarded as treating a Domestic Customer fairly if their actions or omissions:  (a) significantly favour the interests of the licensee; and (b) give rise to a likelihood of detriment to the Domestic Customer"  (a) should read "unduely favour the interest of the licensee.". Ofgem's formulation would capture a situation where the licensee discopnnects a customer who persistently thieves energy. It is therefore unreasonable. (b) The fact of a likelihood of detriment is not the same as actual detriment. One carries an umbrella because of the "likelihood" of rain but that doesn't mean it is raining! The condition should talk of "actual detriment" rather than the likelihood					
92	of detriment which is too ambiguous.	25C.3 (b)	X	X	Х	X
93	Bill will become confusing with savings messages on page 1 - customers will think they can make savings on current bill	LC 31A S1.1			Х	
95	Under what circumstances will we be compelled to provide TCR? Provided we don't make comparative claims, it appears we don't have to include it on voluntary marketing material.	31C.1 and 31C.2	x			
96	Can we provide incentives to transfers as well as to new customers? The answer appears to be yes espically on basis of (f)	22B.28	X			

	Ofgem say we can offer four tariffs per meter type. But what does this mean? Is it based on the number of registers or the time pattern? If it is number of registers then E7 and E10 meters could call be within the same ceiling of 4. If it is time pattern then there would be four tariffs for	22B.1 and definition of relevant arrangements in			
97	E7 and 4 for E10.	22B.35	X		