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Dear Sir/Madam,

## **RE: Consultation response: Enforcing Three Week Switching**

The Community of Meter Asset Providers (CMAP) is a group of meter asset providers (MAPs) that includes Calvin Capital Limited, Macquarie Energy Leasing, Lowri Beck, Northern Power Grid Metering, UK Power Networks, Utility Funding Limited and Siemens.

The CMAP was formed in late 2011 in response to the Smart Metering Implementation Programme to review and address a number of concerns that MAP's had in tracking their assets through industry data flows and effective commercial interoperability to reduce commercial risks and unnecessary meter exchanges following change of supplier. The CMAP welcomes the opportunity to respond to the Ofgems consultation letter – Enforcing Three Week Switching.

CMAP supports the proposals for Enforcing Three Week Switching as it the first step to the wider improvements to switching that have been discussed and will be part of the Ofgem Change of Supplier project. However, CMAP do have some concerns that the current market arrangements for Gas and Electricity that relate to the timing and sending of data flows, in particular to participants such as the MAP, and are keen to ensure that these are aligned with the proposed Three Week Switching proposals. This will enable MAP's to maintain data systems and records which align with the industry held data.

We look forward to responding in more detail to the proposed April 2014 consultation in particular in the areas of Data Quality, Access to Data and the alignment of the Gas and Electricity data (not exhaustive) and are very keen to engage with Ofgem to look at the wider impacts of industry change on the MAP community.

Yours faithfully,

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