

June 20, 2014

Dear Sir,

**Monitoring Suppliers' Smart Meter Roll-Out Activities**

Please find Co-Operative Energy's response to the above consultation below.

*Question 1: Do you consider that the above proposals place a fair and proportionate regulatory burden on suppliers?*

Despite the proposed 250,000 customer account (per fuel) qualification threshold, which we support, we feel that the administrative burden for smaller suppliers who have only recently crossed this threshold in terms of monitoring are likely to be more significant than for larger suppliers. However, we feel that the fact that the information is proposed to be collected on an annual basis should ameliorate this burden to some extent.

We would be interested to know when and how these numbers will be relayed back to the wider market.

*Question 2: Can you propose alternative methods of monitoring suppliers' activities in these areas which are as or more effective, while imposing less of a burden?*

We are unable to suggest any alternative methods at this time.

I trust that this information meets your requirements, please do not hesitate to contact Chris Hill ([christian.hill@cooperativeenergy.coop](mailto:christian.hill@cooperativeenergy.coop)) should you have any questions or require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

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