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Dear Paul,

Consultation on the proposed changes to the Ofgem Licence fee principles

RWE npower welcomes the opportunity to offer its views on the proposed changes to the Ofgem Licence fee principles.

We broadly accept and agree with the changes that Ofgem have put forward in this consultation.

We agree that Ofgem should be afforded a level of budget flexibility in light of the changing landscape of the domestic energy market. It must however offset this uncertainty with a strict appreciation of what falls within the remit of this budgetary addition.

RWE npower believes that ad hoc projects should more closely cover reform and renovation within the energy market, rather than treating wider infrastructural concerns. If the remit becomes too wide, then industry, and further, the consumer, risk bearing a greater cost burden.

This response is not confidential. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly. We are available to discuss if this is helpful to you.

Yours sincerely,

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