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Hi Rachel,

I'm responding to the REC consultation with one comment on behalf of the BEIS Green Deal team.

The Green Deal Arrangements Schedule, Part B, Becoming a Green Deal User, sets out the onboarding arrangement for new parties, including the provision for handling appeals about PAB onboarding decisions. For Electricity Suppliers and Green Deal Providers, appeals are to be made to the court. For Finance Parties, however, paragraph 4.2(b) directs the appellant to the Secretary of State. Whilst we note this carries forward the processes currently operated under the GDAA, we are not aware of a reason why there should be a different appeal route for Finance Parties, so our view is that this could be amended so that they follow the same route as other parties, i.e. to the court. If Ofgem has a reason why there should be a different route for Finance Parties, we would be happy to discuss this with you. Otherwise, we'd suggest this minor change as a means of simplifying the schedule and processes.

Regards,

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