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| **Energy Company Obligation (ECO)**  **U-Value Consultation Questionnaire – Feb 16** | | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | |  |  |  | |
| **Background**  The questions below relate to the consultation on requirements for over-writing U-values for cavity wall insulation measures which can be found on our website :  <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications-and-updates/eco2-consultation-requirements-overwriting-u-values-cavity-wall-insulation-measures>  Our proposals consist of three main parts:  **a. introducing an upper limit for overwritten U-values,**  **b. stipulating the evidence that we expect to be in place when a U-value is overwritten and how we expect inputs to be collected, and**  **c. a regime to monitor these measures; we suggest three approaches for implementing monitoring.**  **Notes For Completion**  Please complete all relevant sections of the document by selecting an answer for the question and then providing reasons/evidence for your response in the box provided. If you do not wish to answer a question please select ‘N/A’. The questionnaire should be completed in typeface and returned via email to [eco.consultation@ofgem.gov.uk](mailto:eco.consultation@ofgem.gov.uk) by close of play **7 March 2016**. | | |
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| **1. U-value Limit** |
| **1.1** Do you agree that it is unreasonable for the U-value of a cavity wall measure to exceed 1.6 W/m²K in premises in the age bands B-K? |
| Please provide details and supporting evidence for your response below. |
| **1.2** Do you agree that we should implement a limit of 1.6 W/m²K for overwritten U-values for cavity wall measures in premises in age bands B-K? |
| Please provide details and supporting evidence for your response below. |

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| **2. Evidence Requirements** |
| **2.1** Do you agree that relevant inputs should be collected for the U-value calculation via an intrusive inspection, using a borescope for example? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **2.2** What types of evidence do you suggest would support the inputs used for a new U-value calculation? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **2.3** Do you agree that the types of evidence listed in paragraph 2.5 are practical to provide? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **2.4** Do you agree that the evidence listed in paragraph 2.5 is sufficient to support an overwritten U-value? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **2.5** Do you agree that the inputs for a U-value calculation should be collected by an independent person to increase confidence in the accuracy of overwritten U-values for CWI measures? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **2.6** Do you agree that an independent person collecting the inputs for a U-value calculation would be practical to implement taking into consideration cost, time and customer journey implications? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |

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| **3. Option 1 – Additional Monitoring Questions** |
| **3.1** Do you agree that option 1 would increase confidence in the accuracy of overwritten U-values for CWI measures? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **3.2** Do you agree that option 1 would be practical to implement, taking into consideration cost and time implications? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **3.3** Do you agree that a score monitoring agent is suitably qualified to answer the proposed questions relating to the U-value inputs? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **3.4** Do you agree that the proposed additional score monitoring questions are appropriate for identifying where overwritten U-values are incorrect? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **3.5** Are there any additional questions that you think would help to identify inaccuracies in overwritten U-value calculations? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **3.6** Can you please estimate how long you think it will take for these new questions to be implemented into your systems? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **3.7** Do you foresee any issues if the questions were implemented during a monitoring quarter? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |

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| **4. Option 2 – Ongoing Monitoring** |
| **4.1** Do you agree that option 2 would increase confidence in the accuracy of overwritten U-values for CWI measures? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **4.2** Do you agree that option 2 would be practical to implement, taking into consideration cost and time implications? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **4.3** If we were to implement a new monitoring regime in order to verify the accuracy of overwritten U-values for CWI measures, do you agree with the sample size and reporting timeframes outlined in paragraph 2.12? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |

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| **5. Option 3 – Audit Regime** |
| **5.1** Do you agree that option 3 would increase confidence in the accuracy of overwritten U-values for CWI measures? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |
| **5.2** Do you agree that option 3 would be practical to implement taking into consideration cost and time implications? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |

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| **6. Additional Questions** |
| **6.1** Do you have concerns with U-values being overwritten for other ECO measure types? |
| Please provide details and supporting evidence for your response below. |
| **6.2** If you do not agree with any of proposals outlined, could you please suggest an alternative approach which you consider would provide assurance that U-values are being accurately overwritten for CWI measures? |
| Please provide details and supporting evidence for your response below. |
| **6.3** Do you agree that the proposals outlined above will enable U-values to continue to be overwritten for CWI measures where this is appropriate? |
| Please provide reasons for your response below. |