#### STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

## 2015 No. 721

# The Electricity Supplier Obligations (Amendment & Excluded Electricity) Regulations 2015

### PART 1

#### Introduction

#### Citation and commencement

- **1.**—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Electricity Supplier Obligations (Amendment & Excluded Electricity) Regulations 2015.
  - (2) These Regulations come into force on 1st April 2015.

#### Interpretation

- 2.—(1) In these Regulations—
  - "the Act" means the Energy Act 2013;
  - "the Balancing and Settlement Code", "the BSCCo" and "BSC volume allocation run" have the meanings given in the ESO Regulations;
  - "BM Unit Identification Number", "CMRS", "MSID" and "SMRS" are to be construed in accordance with the Balancing and Settlement Code (see Sections X-1 and X-2 of that code);
  - "CFD period contribution" has the meaning given in the ESO Regulations;
  - "earnings" in relation to a business, means the earnings of that business before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortisation;
  - "EII application" means an application under regulation 10;
  - "EII certificate" has the meaning given by regulation 8(1);
  - "EII excluded electricity" means any amount of electricity determined as such in accordance with regulation 6;
  - "electricity supplier" has the meaning given in the ESO Regulations;
  - "energy from renewable sources" is to be construed in accordance with Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources and amending and subsequently repealing Directives 2001/77/EC and 2003/30/EC(1);
  - "ESO Regulations" means the Contracts for Difference (Electricity Supplier Obligations) Regulations 2014(2);
  - "excluded electricity" means EII excluded electricity and green excluded electricity;

<sup>(1)</sup> L140 5.6.2009, p16-62.

<sup>(2)</sup> S.I. 2014/2014.

"financial year" means a period of 12 months commencing with 1st April and a reference to a financial year followed by the number of a calendar year is to be construed as a reference to the financial year commencing with 1st April of that year;

"green excluded electricity" means any amount of electricity determined as such in accordance with regulation 3;

"NACE Rev 2" is as set out in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1893/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 December 2006 (relating to the statistical classification of economic activities)(3);

"proper address" means—

- (a) in the case of a body corporate—
  - (i) the registered or principal office of that body, or
  - (ii) an email address provided (and not withdrawn) by that body;
- (b) in the case of a partnership—
  - (i) the principal office of the partnership, or
  - (ii) an email address provided (and not withdrawn) by—
    - (aa) that partnership,
    - (bb) a partner, or
    - (cc) a person having control or management of the partnership business;
- (c) in the case of any other person, that person's last known address, which includes an email address provided (and not withdrawn) by that person;

"staff costs" in relation to a business, include any employers' pension and national insurance contributions which the business makes;

"specified activity" means an activity classified by a NACE Rev 2 class specified in column 2 of the table in the Schedule which corresponds with the description of that class in column 1 of the table;

"working day" means a day that is not a Saturday or Sunday, Christmas Day, Good Friday or any day that is a bank holiday in England and Wales under the Banking and Financial Dealings Act 1971(4).

- (2) Any reference in these Regulations to a supply of electricity is a reference to its supply in Great Britain, and "supply" is to be construed in accordance with section 4(4) of the Electricity Act 1989(5).
- (3) Any reference in these Regulations to an amount of electricity is a reference to that amount expressed in megawatt hours (MWh).
- (4) Where more than one person is designated under section 7 of the Act as a CFD counterparty these Regulations have effect as if—
  - (a) in regulation 4—
    - (i) the references to "the CFD counterparty" in paragraphs (1), (3) and (6) were to "the CFD counterparty most recently designated under section 7 of the Act";

<sup>&</sup>quot;quarterly obligation period" has the meaning given in the ESO Regulations;

<sup>&</sup>quot;relevant arrangements" has the meaning given by regulation 7;

<sup>&</sup>quot;relevant period" is to be construed in accordance with regulation 9;

<sup>(3)</sup> L393 30.12.2006, p.1.

<sup>(4) 1971</sup> c.80.

<sup>(5) 1989</sup> c.29.

- (ii) every other reference to "the CFD counterparty" in that regulation were to "a CFD counterparty"; and
- (iii) the words "the CFD counterparty most recently designated under section 7 of the Act" appeared after the word "but" in paragraph (4);

#### (b) in regulation 5—

- (i) the reference in paragraph (2) to "the CFD counterparty" were to "the CFD counterparty most recently designated under section 7 of the Act" and the reference in paragraph (4) were to "a CFD counterparty"; and
- (ii) the words "the CFD counterparty most recently designated under section 7 of the Act" appeared after the word "but" in paragraph (4);

#### (c) in regulation 6—

- (i) the first and second references to "the CFD counterparty" in that regulation were to "the CFD counterparty most recently designated under section 7 of the Act" and the other reference in that regulation were to "A CFD counterparty"; and
- (ii) in paragraph (3) the words "to another CFD counterparty or" appeared after the word "except";
- (d) in regulation 6(3), the reference to "the CFD counterparty" were to "a CFD counterparty"
- (e) in regulation 7—
  - (i) the first reference in paragraph (1) to "the CFD counterparty" were to "a CFD counterparty" and the other reference were to "CFD counterparties";
  - (ii) the words "which on 31st September 2015 was the most recently designated under section 7 of the Act" appeared after "The CFD counterparty" in paragraph (2);
  - (iii) the words "most recently designated under section 7 of the Act" appeared after "The CFD counterparty" in paragraph (3);
  - (iv) the reference in paragraph (4) to "The CFD counterparty" were to "A CFD counterparty";
  - (v) the reference in paragraph (5) "the CFD counterparty" were to "a CFD counterparty";
- (f) the references to "the CFD counterparty" in regulations 11(3) and 13(6) were to "every CFD counterparty";
- (g) the reference to "the CFD counterparty" in regulation 13(8) were to "the CFD counterparty most recently designated under section 7 of the Act";
- (h) the reference to "the CFD counterparty" in regulation 14 were to "a CFD counterparty".