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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2018 No. 912**

**The Digital Government (Disclosure  
of Information) Regulations 2018**

**Citation, commencement, interpretation and extent**

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Digital Government (Disclosure of Information) Regulations 2018 and come into force on the day after the day on which they are made.

(2) In these Regulations, “the Act” means the Digital Economy Act 2017.

(3) These Regulations do not extend to Northern Ireland.

**Specified objectives for the disclosure of information in relation to public service delivery**

2. The Schedule specifies objectives, and specified persons in relation to those objectives, for the purposes of section 35(7) of the Act.

**Amendment to section 36 of the Act (disclosure of information to gas and electricity suppliers etc)**

3.—(1) Section 36 of the Act (disclosure of information to gas and electricity suppliers etc) is amended as follows.

(2) In subsection (3)—

(a) omit the “or” at the end of paragraph (c), and

(b) after paragraph (d) insert—

“(e) in the case of a disclosure to a licensed gas supplier, a restriction on charges levied on domestic customers by the supplier which is imposed by the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority—

(i) in the exercise of its powers under section 23(1)(b) of the Gas Act 1986(1) (modification of conditions of licences), and

(ii) for purposes that include assisting people living in fuel poverty by reducing their energy costs, or

(f) in the case of a disclosure to a licensed electricity supplier, a restriction on charges levied on domestic customers by the supplier which is imposed by the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority—

(i) in the exercise of its powers under section 11A(1)(b) of the Electricity Act 1989(2) (modification of conditions of licences), and

(ii) for purposes that include assisting people living in fuel poverty by reducing their energy costs.”.

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(1) 1986 c. 44. Section 23 was substituted by Schedule 3 paragraph 21 to the Gas Act 1995 (c. 45) and was amended by section 3 of the Utilities Act 2000 (c. 27) and S.I. 2011/2704. Other amendments have been made which are not relevant to this instrument.

(2) 1989 c. 29. Section 11A was inserted by section 35 of the Utilities Act 2000, and was amended by S.I. 2011/2704. Other amendments have been made which are not relevant to this instrument.

(3) In subsection (11) at the appropriate place insert—

““domestic customer” means a customer supplied with gas or electricity wholly or mainly for domestic purposes;”.

16th July 2018

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We consent to these Regulations

18th July 2018

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Majesty’s Treasury