STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Heat Network (Metering and Billing) (Amendment) Regulations 2020

Amendment of regulation 6 (duty to install heat cost allocators, thermostatic radiator valves and hot water meters)

- **8.**—(1) Regulation 6 (duty to install heat cost allocators, thermostatic radiator valves and hot water meters) is amended as follows.
 - (2) After paragraph (2) insert—
 - "(2A) A heat supplier must comply with paragraph (2) before 1st September 2022 in respect of a building which first falls within the open class before that date where—
 - (a) the heat supplier determines that it is cost effective to install heat cost allocators, thermostatic radiator valves and hot water meters in the building; and
 - (b) it is technically possible to do so.
 - (2B) A determination for the purpose of paragraph (2A)(a) is to be made—
 - (a) before 27th November 2021, where the building first falls within the open class before that date; or
 - (b) otherwise, before 1st September 2022.
 - (2C) Where a heat supplier determines that it is cost effective to install heat cost allocators, thermostatic radiator valves and hot water meters in a building which first falls within the open class on or after 1st September 2022 and it is technically possible to do so, the heat supplier must comply with paragraph (2) when the building first falls within the open class."
 - (3) Omit paragraph (3).
 - (4) For paragraphs (4) and (5) substitute—
 - "(4) A determination as to whether it is cost effective to install heat cost allocators, thermostatic radiator valves and hot water meters in a building must be made on the basis of an analysis carried out in accordance with Schedule 1.
 - (5) A heat supplier who determines that it is not cost effective to install heat cost allocators, thermostatic radiator valves and hot water meters in a building—
 - (a) may employ alternative methods for determining charges for the supply of heating and hot water including using meters installed in accordance with regulation 4(1); and
 - (b) within four years of making a determination as to cost effectiveness—
 - (i) must make a further determination as to cost effectiveness; and
 - (ii) if the heat supplier then determines that it is cost effective to install heat cost allocators, thermostatic radiator valves and hot water meters in the building, must comply with paragraph (2) within that four year period.

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- (5A) Paragraph (5) does not apply where meters to which regulation 4(3) or (4) applies or heat cost allocators, thermostatic radiator valves and hot water meters to which paragraph (2) applies have been installed in the building.".
- (5) In paragraph (6), omit "this regulation imposes a duty on a heat supplier to ensure that".