

# Energy Act 2011

## **2011 CHAPTER 16**

#### PART 1

**ENERGY EFFICIENCY** 

### **CHAPTER 5**

INFORMATION ABOUT ENERGY CONSUMPTION, EFFICIENCY AND TARIFFS

Information about tariffs

## 76 Power to modify energy supply licences: information about tariffs

- (1) The Secretary of State may modify—
  - (a) a condition of a particular licence under section 7A(1) of the Gas Act 1986 (supply licences);
  - (b) the standard conditions incorporated in licences under that provision by virtue of section 8 of that Act;
  - (c) a condition of a particular licence under section 6(1)(d) of the Electricity Act 1989 (supply licences);
  - (d) the standard conditions incorporated in licences under that provision by virtue of section 8A of that Act.
- (2) The power under subsection (1) may be exercised for the purpose only of securing that a licence holder provides a customer on a domestic tariff with information about one or more of the licence holder's lowest domestic tariffs.
- (3) The information to be provided about a tariff by virtue of subsection (2) may, in particular, include information about—
  - (a) the amount of the tariff;
  - (b) the amount the customer would have paid or saved in relation to any past period if the customer had been on the tariff for that period;

- (c) the amount the customer would be likely to pay or save in relation to any future period if the customer were on the tariff for that period;
- (d) where to find further information about the tariff;
- (e) how to switch to it.
- (4) Modifications under subsection (1) may, in particular, include provision regarding—
  - (a) which one or more domestic tariffs of a licence holder are its lowest domestic tariffs;
  - (b) which of its lowest domestic tariffs a licence holder must provide information about;
  - (c) how and when the information must be provided;
  - (d) the form in which it must be provided.
- (5) The power under subsection (1)—
  - (a) may be exercised generally, only in relation to specified cases or subject to exceptions (including provision for a case to be excepted only so long as specified conditions are satisfied);
  - (b) may be exercised differently in different cases or circumstances;
  - (c) includes a power to make consequential modifications.
- (6) Provision included in licences by virtue of the power may make different provision for different cases.
- (7) The power under subsection (1) may not be exercised after 1 November 2018.
- (8) In this section—

"domestic supply contract" means a contract for the supply of gas or electricity by a licence holder to a customer at domestic premises wholly or mainly for domestic purposes;

"domestic tariff" means a tariff under a domestic supply contract.