



# Domestic Gas and Electricity (Tariff Cap) Act 2018

## 2018 CHAPTER 21

### *Review and termination*

#### **7 Review of competition for domestic supply contracts**

- (1) The Authority must carry out a review into whether conditions are in place for effective competition for domestic supply contracts.
- (2) Such a review must, among other things, consider the extent to which progress has been made in installing smart meters for use by domestic customers.
- (3) Such a review must be carried out—
  - (a) in the year 2020,
  - (b) if the tariff cap conditions are extended to have effect for the year 2021, in that year, and
  - (c) if the tariff cap conditions are further extended to have effect for the year 2022, in that year.
- (4) As soon as practicable after carrying out the review, and in any event on or before 31 August in the year in question, the Authority must—
  - (a) produce a report on the outcome, which must include a recommendation as to whether or not the Authority considers that the tariff cap conditions should be extended to have effect for the following year, and
  - (b) publish the report and send a copy to the Secretary of State.
- (5) After considering the report the Secretary of State must publish a statement setting out whether the Secretary of State considers that conditions are in place for effective competition for domestic supply contracts.
- (6) The statement must be published on or before 31 October in the year in question.