STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2018 No. 1183

The Electricity and Gas (Energy Company Obligation) Order 2018

PART 5

Applications for demonstration actions, innovation measures, monitored measures and surplus actions

Innovation measures

- **21.**—(1) A participant may apply to the Administrator in writing for a measure which the participant intends to promote to be approved as an innovation measure.
 - (2) An application under paragraph (1) must include the following information—
 - (a) a description of the characteristics of the measure ("the innovation measure description");
 - (b) an explanation of how the measure is—
 - (i) an improvement on the measures that would otherwise be promoted by the participant; or
 - (ii) an improvement on the measures promoted by licence-holders to meet their obligations under previous energy efficiency schemes; and
 - (c) such other information relating to the measure as the Administrator may require.
 - (3) The Administrator must not approve the application unless it is satisfied that—
 - (a) the measure to which the application relates is capable of resulting in a reduction in the cost of heating domestic premises;
 - (b) the innovation measure description is accurate and contains sufficient detail to distinguish the measure from other measures that are materially different;
 - (c) the explanation provided under paragraph (2)(b) is reasonable;
 - (d) the measure is not—
 - (i) a district heating connection;
 - (ii) the installation of equipment for the generation of heat wholly or partly from oil;
 - (iii) the installation of equipment for the generation of heat wholly from a non-renewable source; or
 - (iv) a repair; and
 - (e) the measure is materially different from—
 - (i) the measures promoted by licence-holders to meet their obligations under previous energy efficiency schemes; and
 - (ii) any measures, other than innovation measures, notified under article 24 before the date of the application under paragraph (1).

- (4) If the Administrator approves the application it must publish on its website—
 - (a) the innovation measure description; and
 - (b) the date on which the application was approved.
- (5) An innovation measure is a measure which—
 - (a) is completed after the date on which an application under paragraph (1) is approved by the Administrator; and
 - (b) falls within the innovation measure description published by the Administrator in respect of that application.
- (6) For the purposes of this article, article 20(6) applies as it applies for the purposes of that article.