

**NORTHUMBRIAN WATER GROUP BUSINESS RESPONSE TO: Consultation on Ofwat's section 55 proposal to modify Instruments of Appointment and Water Supply Licences – market readiness.**

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Northumbrian Water Group Business welcomes the publication of the policy and consultation conclusions published in the "Priority changes to Instruments of Appointment and Water Supply Licences for non-household retail market opening" document.

Overall we are supportive of the stance adopted by Ofwat and are appreciative of the changes made to the draft wording in light of the feedback received.

We have no further comments or suggestions to make on the proposed wording for the amendments and can confirm Northumbrian Water Group Business's agreement to the proposed amendments.

Northumbrian Water Group Business  
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