

Market Arrangements Code Change Proposal (CP) MAC006

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| Modification proposal: | Market Arrangements Code Change Proposal 006: Appointment of the Market Operator | | |
| Decision: | Ofwat has decided to confirm these change proposals | | |
| Date of publication: | 30 August 2016 | Implementation date: | Immediate |

Background

In reviewing the arrangements for the opening the non household retail market a number of immaterial inconsistencies in wording were discovered.

The modification proposal¹

Ofwat proposed MAC006 to clarify the procedure for the appointment of the enduring market operator. It replaced a line of the text to clarify that the market operator would be appointed by industry.

Interim Code Panel recommendation

At its meeting on 9 August 2016, the Interim Code Panel voted unanimously to recommend MAC006. Minutes of the meeting indicate Panel considered the change to positively impact on the efficiency and transparency of the codes².

¹ The proposal is available on the MOSL website at: <https://www.mosl.co.uk/open-water/open-water-documents/download-info/mac-006/>

Our decision

After review of the supporting documentation we have concluded that the implementation of MAC006 is consistent with the Principals and Objectives³ and will improve transparency of the transition process. We consider that confirming this change is consistent with our principal objectives and statutory duties.

Reasons for our decision

We consider that the implementation of and MAC006 will contribute to effective codes and changes contained are correct and desirable.

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³ <http://www.open-water.org.uk/media/1903/version-icp-housekeeping-part-1-objectives-definitions-and-principles.pdf>