

Competition law guidance consultation
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Dear Sirs,

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We welcome publication of the guidance on Ofwat's approach to competition law in the water and wastewater sector in England and Wales and the opportunity to provide Ofwat with our comments.

We have reviewed the guidance and note it builds upon previous guidance and reinforces the Level Playing Field approach contained in Appendix 6 of the Market Architecture Plan.

At this crucial time for the water industry as competitive market pressures influence the evolution of the sector, the guidance helps us understand Ofwat's perspective on Competition Act 1998 compliance as it applies specifically within the water industry.

We understand quite clearly that it remains our duty to comply with the legislation but nevertheless welcome the updated guidance and the clarity it provides.

We consider the guidance as issued to be perfectly satisfactory for its intended purpose.

Yours sincerely,



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