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Trading and procurement codes guidance review
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Dear colleagues

TRADING AND PROCUREMENT CODES – CONSULTATION ON UPDATING OUR GUIDANCE

This is South West Water's response to Ofwat's consultation on updating the guidance for trading and procurement codes.

Overall South West Water supports the proposed updates to the codes as they reflect the latest market developments and provide clarity on the process.

Appendix 1 contains our responses to the specific questions raised in the consultation. We hope you find our comments helpful. Please contact us if you would like further detail.

Yours sincerely,



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Question 1

Do you support the new requirements or principles we have set out in section 2.2?

South West Water supports the four additions to the guidance and the drive towards consistency between the two processes.

Question 2

Do you support our proposed approach to approving new codes, as set out in section 2.3?

Yes. South West Water believes that streamlining the process for approval will be beneficial. We are also supportive of the decision not to transfer ownership for public consultation to companies.

Question 3

Do you support our proposed approach to updating approved codes, as set out in section 2.4?

Yes. South West Water supports the proposed timetable.

Question 4

Do you have any other comments on the draft guidance document published alongside this consultation?

South West Water has no further comments.