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Dear colleagues

CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED MODIFICATION TO CONDITION C OF ENGLISH WATER COMPANIES' LICENCES

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to Ofwat's consultation under section 12A of the Water Industry Act 1991 on the proposed modification to section C of South West Water's licence.

Having considered the revised proposal to remove condition C from the licence rather than modify the existing text, we agree the removing the condition is a pragmatic solution. We share the view that the charging rules provide the intended protection for legacy agreements and are therefore supportive of Ofwat's proposal.

We also agree with the rationale for reducing the statutory consultation period. To provide certainty for companies and stakeholders it is important that the modification is effective from 1 April 2022.

Yours sincerely



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