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Action	For Discussion

Review of the Applicable Code Objectives

1. PURPOSE

As part of the 2021 Forward Work Plan, the Forum agreed to undertake a review of the Applicable Code Objectives, to assess if they continue to align with the current drivers for change. This paper seeks views and input from Code Administrators to feed into this review.

2. THE APPLICABLE CODE OBJECTIVES

Each Energy Code has a set of Applicable Code Objectives which the Code's arrangements must continue to facilitate. These objectives for each Code are generally contained in the corresponding Licence which gives rise to that Code. Any changes made to the Code, including its subsidiary documents, must be shown by the Proposer and the Code Panel to better facilitate these objectives overall compared to the current Code baseline.

Each Code's Applicable Objectives vary to reflect the different responsibilities and activities. However, there are some common objectives, such as ensuring the efficient or effective delivery of the relevant arrangements.

The Forum has previously considered that the Applicable Code Objectives do not make any reference to the benefits for end-consumers, despite this becoming an increasingly important area of consideration. The Forum agreed it would be beneficial to carry out a review of the Applicable Code Objectives to assess whether any changes may be beneficial.

3. REVIEW BY THE FORUM

We initiated this review at the August 2021 Forum meeting¹. Forum members were invited to provide any views they have on the current Applicable Code Objectives, particularly on those for their own Code(s). We sought members' views on:

- whether these remain a suitable reflection of the priorities for their Code(s);
- whether any existing Objectives may be unclear or redundant; and

¹ Please see paper CACoP_29_1008_06 for further information

- whether there are any priority areas for their Code(s) that are not currently covered by an Objective.

Forum members agreed to take these points away and seek views from their organisations and, where relevant, their Panels ahead of further discussion at the October 2021 Forum meeting (Action 29/10²).

At this meeting, we are asking members to feed back the views and comments they have received. The Forum will consider these views and will be asked to conclude whether there are any changes it would want to recommend to Ofgem.

4. NEXT STEPS

The Applicable Code Objectives are set out in the corresponding Licences, and so any changes would need to be progressed by Ofgem. Following completion of this review, the CACoP Forum will need to provide any recommendations for change to Ofgem to consider.

Based on the discussions at this meeting, members will be asked to endorse the recommendations from this review to be passed to Ofgem for consideration.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS

The CACoP Forum is invited to

- **NOTE** the views and feedback from the Codes on the current Applicable Code Objectives;
- **DISCUSS** any potential changes that could be made to these; and
- **AGREE** whether to recommend any changes to Ofgem, providing rationale for any changes that it would want Ofgem to consider.

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CACoP Forum Chair

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² The Forum to consider the review of Applicable Code Objectives, seeking input from their respective Panels if beneficial, with a request for suggestion or comments to be provided ahead of the October 2021 CACoP Forum meeting