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Dear Consultee,

### **Call for evidence on Delivering Secure Low Carbon Electricity**

1. Please see the attached call for evidence on delivering secure low carbon electricity.
2. The purpose of this call for evidence is to set out the Government's view of the outlook for electricity security of supply, and to describe the future challenges for the electricity market, in the context of the Government's commitment to decarbonise the UK economy to mitigate climate change. It seeks views on:
  - a. The risks to future electricity security of supply;
  - b. The potential for smart demand to help manage these risks;
  - c. Future challenges for the electricity system as we move to a less carbon intensive generation mix; and
  - d. A range of supply side options that could help manage the risks and challenges described above.
3. The following documents may be found on DECC's website at <http://www.decc.gov.uk/en/content/cms/consultations/electricsecure/electricsecure.aspx> :
  - a. this letter;
  - b. the call for evidence; and
  - c. a report on demand side management by the consultants IHS Global Insight.
4. We welcome your views and comments. If you wish to obtain a hard copy of this call for evidence please contact the Publications Orderline 0845 015 0010 ([www.berr.gov.uk/publications](http://www.berr.gov.uk/publications)), quoting reference URN 09D/ 736.

### **Responses**

5. Your views and comments would be welcome, in particular to the specific questions raised in the call for evidence. Please send your response by 28 October 2009 to [iain.morrow@decc.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:iain.morrow@decc.gsi.gov.uk), or by post to:

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**Other information**

6. Individual responses may be published and information provided in response to this call for evidence, including personal information, may be subject to publication or disclosure in accordance with the access to information regimes (these are primarily the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA), the Data Protection Act 1998 (DPA) and the Environmental Information Regulations 2004). If you want other information that you provide to be treated as confidential, please be aware that, under the FOIA, there is a statutory Code of Practice with which public authorities must comply and which deals, amongst other things, with obligations of confidence.
7. In view of this, it would be helpful if you could explain to us why you regard the information you have provided as confidential. If we receive a request for disclosure of the information we will take full account of your explanation, but we cannot give an assurance that confidentiality can be maintained in all circumstances. An automatic confidentiality disclaimer generated by your IT system will not, of itself, be regarded as binding on the Department. The Department will process your personal data in accordance with the DPA. In the majority of circumstances, this will mean that your personal data will not be disclosed to third parties.
8. If you have any comments or complaints about the call for evidence process, please address them to Marjorie Addo, DECC's Consultation Co-ordinator, Area 7C Nobel House, 17 Smith Square, London SW1P 3JR, or email [consultation.coordinator@decc.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:consultation.coordinator@decc.gsi.gov.uk).

Yours faithfully,

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