

The Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992

Deemed contracts and provision for determining the “appropriate supplier”

Whereas –

- (A) Paragraph 3 of Schedule 6 to the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 (the **Order**) makes provision for a contract to be deemed to exist, in certain circumstances, between an electricity supplier and the owner/occupier of premises being supplied with electricity.
- (B) Sub-paragraph 3(2) specifies the circumstances in which a contract will be deemed to exist between the owner/occupier of premises and an '**appropriate supplier**'.
- (C) Sub-paragraph 3(4) provides for the Northern Ireland Authority for Utility Regulation (the **Authority**) to publish a document containing provision for determining the appropriate supplier.

Now –

- 1. This document is published by the Authority in accordance with sub-paragraph 3(4) of Schedule 6 to the Order.
- 2. Paragraphs 3 and 4 of this document make provision for determining the appropriate supplier for the purposes of sub-paragraph 3(2) of Schedule 6 to the Order.
- 3. Paragraph 4 of this document applies where the Authority has issued, to any person (the **licensee**) who holds an electricity supply licence granted, or treated as granted, under Article 10(1)(c) of the Order (the **licence**), a direction in accordance with Condition 22 of that licence (known as a '**Last Resort Supply Direction**').

4. Where this paragraph applies, the licensee shall be the appropriate supplier in respect of each of the premises identified, or falling within a description of premises specified, in the Last Resort Supply Direction.



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Authorised on behalf of the Authority

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