16 December 2014

Dear Consultee

Consultation on implementing the new EU Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases Regulation

1. I am writing to invite views on our proposed approach for the enforcement, offences and other implementing provisions of the new EU Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases Regulation and on our assessment of the impact on business.

2. The following documents may be found by following the relevant link on the Government’s consultation website:
   https://www.gov.uk/government/publications?publication_filter_option=consultations
   - The consultation document and impact assessment of the domestic legislation on business
   - Draft Statutory Instrument

3. We welcome your views and comments on the proposals. If you wish to obtain a paper copy of this consultation, please contact the F-gases team at Defra at fgas@defra.gsi.gov.uk or call 020 7238 4372.

Responses

4. To submit your consultation response please complete the consultation questionnaire provided through Citizen Space (Citizen Space is an on-line consultation tool).

5. Responses should be received by 20 January 2015.

Consultation Criteria

6. This consultation is in line with the Consultations Principles. This can be found at http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/resource-library/consultation-principles-guidance

7. The consultation duration is five weeks. This is considered proportionate because the consultation just relates to enforcement and offences provisions and is very similar to existing provisions in the 2009 F-gases Regulation. The substance of the EU
regulation was subject to extensive consultation during the negotiations themselves last year.

8. If you do not want your response - including your name, contact details and any other personal information – to be publicly available, please say so clearly in writing when you send your response to the consultation. Please note, if your computer automatically includes a confidentiality disclaimer, that won’t count as a confidentiality request. Please explain why you need to keep details confidential. We will take your reasons into account if someone asks for this information under freedom of information legislation. However, because of the law, we cannot promise that we will always be able to keep those details confidential.

9. We will summarise all responses and place this summary on our website at www.gov.uk/defra. This summary will include a list of names of organisations that responded but not people’s personal names, addresses or other contact details.

10. To see consultation responses and summaries, please contact the F-gases team at fgas@defra.gsi.gov.uk or call 020 7238 4372.

11. Thank you for your help in this matter. If you have any queries please contact us as above.

Yours Faithfully

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