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Dear Consultee

## Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Regulations – Review of Producer Compliance Scheme (PCS) Balancing System

1. I am writing to invite views on:

- (i) The support of the continued approval by the Secretary of State of a PCS Balancing System as proposed in 2019.
- (ii) The proposed modifications to the current PCS Balancing System as put forward by the WEEE Scheme Forum (WSF)

2. The following documents may be found on Defra's website:

<https://consult.defra.gov.uk/product-regulation-and-producer-responsibility/weeepbsreview2022>

- **Consultation document:** Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) Regulations – Review of Producer Compliance Scheme (PCS) Balancing System
- **Original 2019 WSF Ltd proposal to operate a mandatory PBS**
- **WSF proposal to operate the statutory PBS from 2022 – Final**

3. To submit your consultation response please complete the consultation questionnaire provided through Citizen Space.

4. We welcome your views and comments on the proposals. If you wish to obtain a copy of this consultation. Please contact [weee@defra.gov.uk](mailto:weee@defra.gov.uk)

### Responses

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



6. Responses should be received by 2 June 2022.

### **Consultation Criteria**

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

### **Confidentiality and data protection**

This consultation document and consultation process have been planned to adhere to the Consultation Principles issued by the Cabinet Office.

Representative groups are asked to give a summary of the people and organisations they represent and where relevant who else they have consulted in reaching their conclusions when they respond.

Information provided in response to this consultation, including personal data, may be published or disclosed in accordance with the access to information regimes these are primarily the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIRs), the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA). We have obligations, mainly under the EIRs, FOIA and DPA, to disclose information to particular recipients or to the public in certain circumstances.

If you want the information that you provide to be treated as confidential, please be aware that, as a public authority, the Department is bound by the Freedom of Information Act and may therefore be obliged to disclose all or some of the information you provide. 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.

This consultation is being conducted in line with the Cabinet Office “Consultation Principles” and be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/consultation-principles-guidance>.

If you have any comments or complaints about the consultation process, please email: [consultation.coordinator@defra.gov.uk](mailto:consultation.coordinator@defra.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely

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