

## Highlights, RECCo Board Meeting, 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2020

### **1. Procurement of Code Manager Services Update**

The REC Code Manager Services procurements were launched as planned on 16 December 2019 and have been published on the MyTenders portal. Further information is available on the RECCo website [www.retailenergycode.co.uk](http://www.retailenergycode.co.uk). The Board has appointed a Procurement Evaluation Panel (PEP) to evaluate and score the bids received. The PEP has an independent Chair and comprises representatives from REC Parties along with a consumer representative and digital technology expert. It is anticipated that contracts will be awarded in June 2020.

### **2. RECCo Finances 2019/20**

RECCo is now entering the final quarter of its current financial year and is expecting to end the year with an underspend against budget. The underspend is currently estimated to be c.£1.1 million and this will be confirmed as part of the audit of the company financial statements. Key areas of underspend include resources needed to support the Switching programme (Programme Coordinator and Licenced Party Assurance) and the Midata project. Through a combination of strict financial management and competitive procurement of services, the budget contingency has not been utilised. This underspend will be rebated to funding parties in July 2020 (as a credit against the 2020/21 Q2 invoice).

### **3. RECCo Budget 2020/21**

The RECCo 20/21 Budget is nearing finalisation by the Board and, in accordance with the timescales defined within the REC, we expect to issue it to REC Parties for their review and agreement in the final week of January. The coming year will be a period of significant development for RECCo . The REC will continue to develop and mature, existing codes such as SPAA and MRA will transition into REC and RECCo will complete the procurement and mobilisation of service providers to deliver its Code Manager Services. The Board will therefore be convening a teleconference call in February to present the proposed Budget and allow REC Parties an opportunity to engage in the budget process.

### **4. REC Development – Midata Project**

Ofgem will be establishing a Transition Steering Group to oversee the transition of the retail provisions in existing industry arrangements into the REC. Ofgem will convene and chair the group which will be attended by representatives from the relevant Code Boards including RECCo.

*RECCo Board, 15 January 2020*