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Dear Consultee,

Changes to WaterSure as a result of the introduction of Universal Credit

I am writing to invite views on the Government's proposals for Changes to WaterSure as a result of the introduction of Universal Credit. The Government wants current and future WaterSure customers to continue to benefit from the scheme when their qualifying benefit or tax credit is replaced by Universal Credit. This is a consultation on amendments to the Regulations which govern WaterSure. We intend Universal Credit to become a qualifying benefit for WaterSure.

We welcome your views and comments on the proposals. Responses to this consultation should be sent by post to the above address or by e-mail to watersure@defra.gsi.gov.uk. Responses should be received by 14 December 2012.

This consultation is in line with the Code of practice on Consultations. This can be found at <http://www.berr.gov.uk/bre/>.

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

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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 will not count as a confidentiality request. Please explain why you wish your response to be treated as confidential. We will take your reasons into account if someone asks for this information under freedom of information legislation, but, because of the law we cannot promise that we will not disclose those details if asked.

If you have any comments or complaints about the consultation process, please address them to:

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

Yours faithfully

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