

4.6.2 A new charge at the commencement of operations

There are benefits to additional early engagement with a new operator. Making sure that an operation commences on the correct basis could save both the operator and ourselves considerable costs incurred in putting matters right later. We propose to have a first year charge to cover the costs of an additional site visit and advice, when these sites first commence operations.

This first year charge is costed to provide a specific number of hours of effort, we anticipate eight hours, at £84 per hour, for this service which would be a charge of £672.

We want to engage further with customers on this point during the consultation.