Draft Regulations laid before Parliament under sections 211(11), 212(10) and 331(3) of the Energy Act 2023 (c. 52), for approval by resolution of each House of Parliament.

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ELECTRICITY

The Energy-Intensive Industry Electricity Support Payments and Levy (Amendment) Regulations 2026

Made - - - -	***
Coming into force - -	*1st April 2026*

The Secretary of State makes these Regulations in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 211(1) to (3) and (5) and 212(1) and (2) of the Energy Act 2023(**a**).

In accordance with sections 211(11), 212(10) and 331(3) of the Energy Act 2023, a draft of these Regulations has been laid before, and approved by a resolution of, each House of Parliament.

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Energy-Intensive Industry Electricity Support Payments and Levy (Amendment) Regulations 2026.

(2) These Regulations extend to England and Wales and Scotland.

(3) These Regulations come into force on 1st April 2026.

Amendments

2.—(1) The Energy-Intensive Industry Electricity Support Payments and Levy Regulations 2024(**b**) are amended as set out in paragraphs (2) to (4).

(2) In regulation 7(1), for "one month" substitute "two months".

(3) In regulation 8(2), for "60%" substitute "90%".

(4) In regulation 13(2), for "60%" substitute "90%".

(**a**) 2023 c. 52.
(**b**) S.I. 2024/409.

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Energy-Intensive Industry Electricity Support Payments and Levy Regulations 2024 (S.I. 2024/409) ("the 2024 Regulations"). The 2024 Regulations entitle eligible energy-intensive businesses to electricity support payments in respect of network charging costs and set out how such payments are to be funded (through a levy on electricity suppliers).

Regulation 2(2) increases the period for making an application from one month to two months.

The amendments made by regulation 2(3) and (4) have the effect of increasing the level of support payments from 60% to 90% of network charges. Regulation 2(3) increases the size of the estimated levy fund and regulation 2(4) increases the level of EII support payments for the claim month.

An impact assessment setting out the key impacts of this policy has been completed. The impact assessment is published with the Explanatory Memorandum alongside this instrument on www.legislation.gov.uk. A copy is also available by contacting EII.correspondence@businessandtrade.gov.uk or the Department for Business and Trade, Old Admiralty Building, Admiralty Place, London, SW1A 2DY.

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