



# National Federation of Group Water Schemes

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**RE: CRU Proposed Decision on Irish Water's Non-Domestic Tariff Framework**

**To whom it may concern:**

The National Federation of Group Water Schemes wish to acknowledge the CRU's proposed decision in relation to the above. We note that publicly sourced group water schemes continue to be out scope and will not be affected by Irish Water's Non-Domestic Tariff Framework at this time, and we welcome the CRU request that Irish Water develop a separate approach to developing and consulting on the appropriate tariffing arrangements for these group water schemes.

Since the process to establish Irish Water's non-domestic tariff commenced, there have been significant policy changes in relation domestic water charges and funding arrangements for group water schemes. As a result of this transition, the publicly sourced group water scheme sector needs clarity on future charging arrangements for their members. The NFGWS is continuing to engage with the Department of Housing Planning and Local Government, Irish water and the CRU to progress a strategy that is fair and equitable for these supplies however, it is essential that details on the timeframe and proposed approach are provided by Irish Water as soon as possible.

A key part of the information gathering exercise and proposed approach will need to consider and address the historical operational arrangements, the different charging arrangements currently in place and the unaccounted for water issue on both publicly sourced group water schemes and Irish Water supplies. The NFGWS will continue to work with all stakeholders to develop charging arrangements that are fair and equitable for both the enduring tariff and any required transition periods.

**Yours sincerely,**

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