sector), SBEES[2] (the Small Business Energy Efficiency Scheme) and ESOS[3] (Energy Saving Opportunity Scheme).

Why is this research needed?

Overall, the research will:

Increase the BEIS team's understanding of the existing large (above 1,000 m^2) non-domestic building market

Strengthen the evidence base for a number of policies

Help inform the development of relevant impacts assessments

Specific research questions

The research should answer the following questions:

1. **What is the current extent and nature of metering in the stock of large (>1,000 m2) non-domestic buildings? Can ratings be produced from the currently available meters and levels of data, and if metering is inadequate, are there other ways to produce those ratings?**

[2] The Small Business Energy Efficiency (SBEES) scheme aims to improve the energy efficiency of small and medium enterprises (SMEs). Please see the following link for further information: https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/energy-efficiency-scheme-for-small-and-medium-sized-businesses-call-for-evidence

[3] The Energy Savings Opportunity Scheme (ESOS) is an energy assessment scheme which requires all large businesses in the UK to measure their total energy consumption and carry out audits of the energy used by their buildings, industrial processes and transport. They must do this at least once every four years and the audits are intended to identify and recommend energy saving opportunities. Please see the following: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/energy-savings-opportunity-scheme-esos

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