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**Alan Whitehead MP, Labour's Shadow Energy Minister and Climate Change,**

responding to reports that Ofgem will implement an energy price cap for two million vulnerable households, falling short of Theresa May's General Election promise, said:

"Theresa May misled voters during the election by pledging to cap energy bills for 17 million households before quickly backtracking. Now she is trying to mislead people again by claiming the responsibility to introduce a cap for all households on standard variable tariffs lies with Ofgem, despite the regulator making clear it needs the government to legislate.

"Unlike the Tories, the next Labour government will offer more than empty words by introducing an immediate emergency price cap to keep household bills down, while we transition to a fairer system for bill payers."