

Dear Sir/Madam

We operate 3 heating networks by way of Biomass fuel. We would like to make the following representations to be considered for the Heat networks pricing consultation.

1. The green credentials of a district heating system powered by wood chip enhances the property's EPC rating and thus enhances capital value and mitigates against any additional costs required to upgrade a property's EPC. In the future preferential mortgage interest rates will be offered to homeowners with better EPC rating.
2. The district heating system user doesn't have to service or renew their boilers or deal with breakdown situations. This comes at a cost to the district heating operator who needs to provide 24/7 cover.
3. The district heating user doesn't have to concern themselves with regards to the ordering of alternative fuel sources to include calor gas or oil and doesn't need to designate a delegated area at their home for housing fuel tanks.
4. All these additional benefits come at a cost to the energy supplier and need to be factored in appropriately.

We hope the above contribution is of help to the consultation.

Kind regards

COUND PARK DISTRICT HEATING LTD