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# Workshop on Accreditation Scheme

9 July 2007

## Agenda

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Interaction between guidelines and accreditation**
- 3. Accreditation scheme development: Dan Staniaszek, Energy Saving Trust**
- 4. Discussion**
- 5. Closing remarks, Ofgem**

## Recent background...

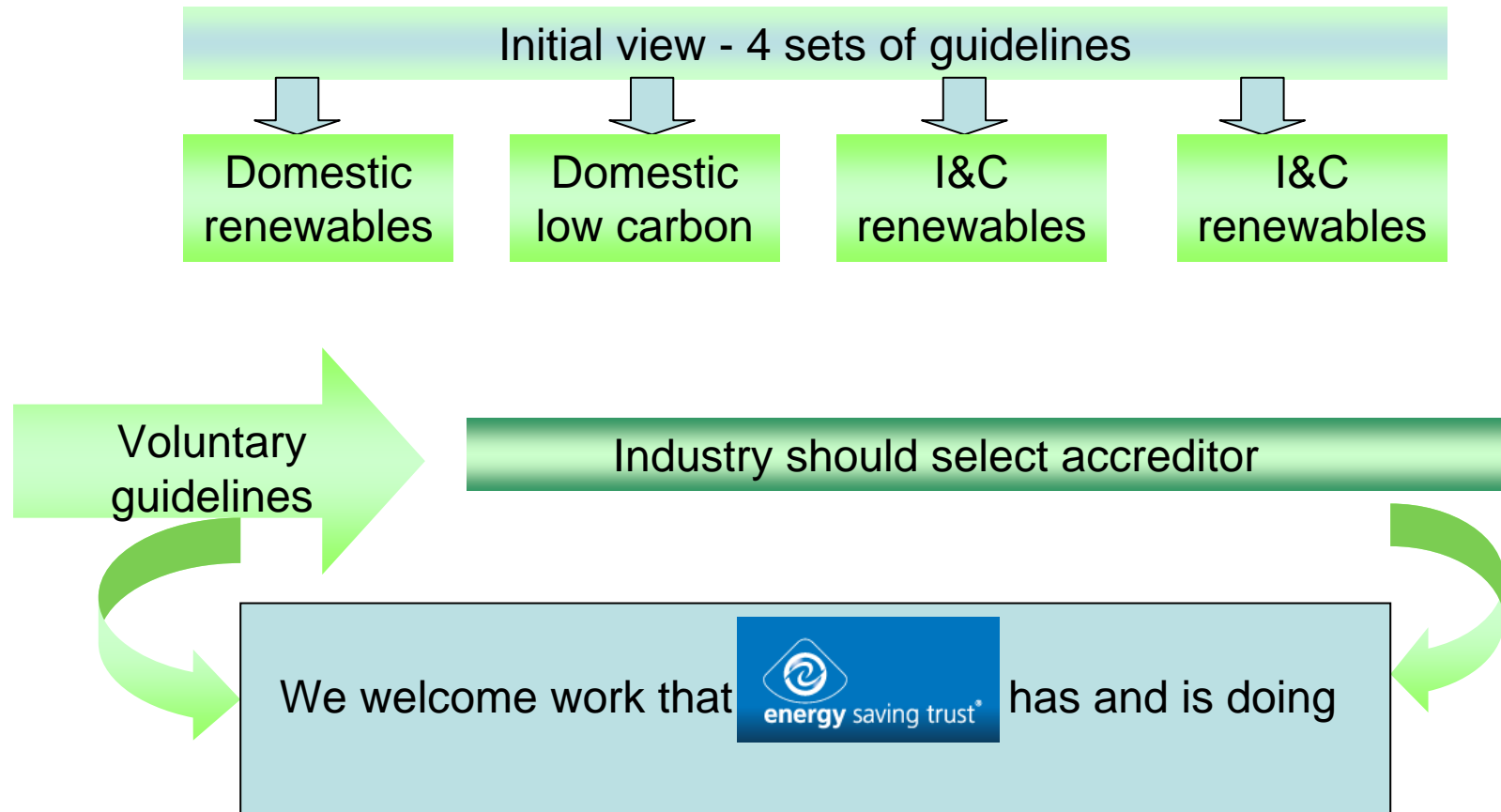
2005

Ofgem consultation majority of respondents in favour of an independent accreditation scheme

2007

Government's White Paper  
2.55 'the Government is committed to working with Ofgem and the Energy Saving Trust (EST) to ensure consumers have accessible, transparent and user friendly information on the "green electricity" tariffs available to them.'

## Relationship between the guidelines and the accreditation scheme



## Setting the standards ...

Ofgem guidelines to set minimum bar

- Independence;
- Trust;
- Technical and commercial competencies; and
- Communication and advice role.

Based on DEFRA's consultation on establishing a voluntary code of practice for the provision of carbon offsetting to UK consumers. January 2007.

- Also may consider a scope of scheme 'bar'....

Initial view



fully meets all of these criteria

## Could there be multiple accreditation schemes?

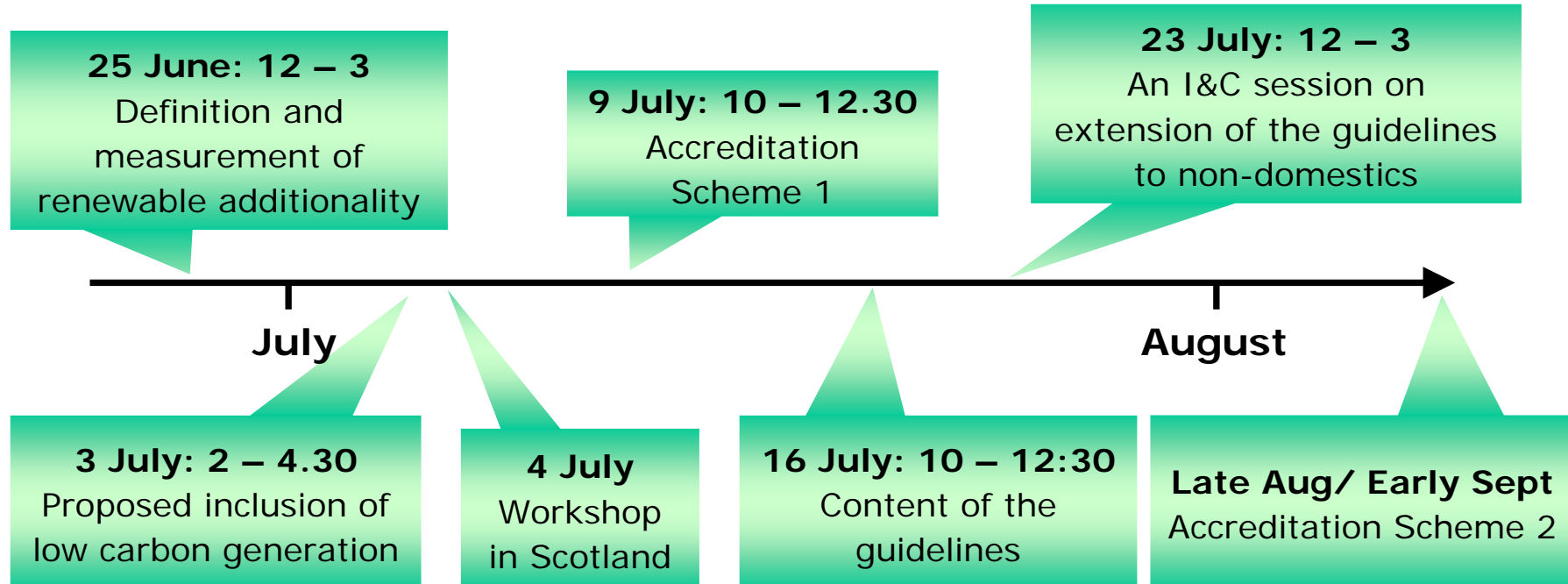
In theory

With the industry selecting accreditation scheme you could have multiple schemes...

However, Ofgem considers should be one accreditor per set of guidelines to reduce customer confusion

## Programme of work going forward

Primary focus today on defining principles for low carbon additionality



**We would welcome your continued involvement in these sessions**



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