



Non-Domestic Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI)

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Dear,

Welcome to our latest newsletter!

Along with our latest figures on the scheme's performance and updates, this issue summarises some of the regulatory changes proposed by government to come into force in February 2015 and Autumn 2015.

All upcoming regulatory changes are subject to Parliamentary approval and all updates are based on information provided by DECC. Please see our website for a full list of proposed changes.

Quick links:

[Forthcoming regulatory changes to the Non-Domestic RHI](#)

[Updated tariffs and your payments](#)

[Meter readings and your obligations](#)

[Am I eligible?](#)

We've also released publications on hitting a major milestone: 1GW of installed capacity has now been accredited under the Non-Domestic RHI. Please click [here](#) for key facts and figures about installations accredited since launch, scheme activity and case studies from participants of the scheme.

We hope you find the update useful. If you have thoughts on what you would like to see in the newsletter we'd welcome your [feedback](#).

Accreditations update

Between September and December 2014, we accredited 1203 new full applications and 3 preliminary applications, an increase of 130% on the same quarter in 2013.

In total, 7258 installations are currently accredited onto the scheme.

[How do I apply?](#)

[View latest quarterly figures](#)

News in brief



February 2015 regulatory changes

In February it will become possible for underground piping to be considered 'properly insulated' (PI) and



Fuel records

Do you have an accredited biomass installation? To keep receiving payments, you must keep accurate fuel records.



Autumn 2015 changes

From autumn 2015, the government plans to introduce sustainability criteria for installations using

there will be a minor change affecting PI requirements for overground piping.

If you submitted an application from 24 September 2013 these changes may apply to you, and you may wish to consider whether your Heat Loss Assessment or metering configuration are affected.

Additional regulatory changes are also anticipated, see the link below for more information.

More on February 2015 regulatory changes

Requirements include keeping a record of the type of fuels you use, how much fuel you use, and when you bought the fuels.

If your installation was accredited after 24 September 2013 you will also need to ensure your fuels are dry as required by your emissions certificate.

Guide to keeping fuel records

biomass fuels. This will affect the fuels you buy now if you use them after the new rules are introduced.

The easiest way to comply is to buy approved fuels from suppliers on the Biomass Suppliers' List (BSL) now. [Find more information on BSL.](#)

When you contact any of the suppliers listed, please let them know that you're looking in particular for BSL- authorised fuel, as they may also legitimately have other, non-authorised fuels in stock.

For more information on how to comply, see the link below.

Autumn 2015 changes

Latest and upcoming publications

January

From 1 January 2015 there was a 10 per cent reduction to the small commercial biomass tariff and a 10 per cent reduction to the biomethane tariff. For the new tariffs, [please visit our website.](#)

Please note: our enquiry line is receiving a lot of calls about this. This might mean longer-than-usual waiting times. We will answer your query as soon as we can during this busy time.

February

As well as the tariff changes detailed above, please also note that as part of the anticipated regulatory changes in February 2015, a new tiered tariff will be applicable to biomethane producers. This will affect those whose date of registration is on or after the date the amended regulations come into force.

We will also amend our key guidance documents, volumes 1 and 2, to reflect anticipated regulatory changes in February 2015. Please bookmark the page to ensure you are

accessing the latest versions. [Please see a summary of the anticipated changes here.](#)

Our call for evidence on the costs and benefits of Independent Reports on Metering Arrangements (IRMAs) will close on Friday 13 February – to access the questions and give your feedback, [please scroll to the section titled feedback.](#)

March

We will be changing what information we ask you to provide as part of your periodic data submissions. You will only be asked to provide meter readings – heat output data will no longer be required. Participants will be notified once this change has been introduced. We will shortly update our easy guides. Please [bookmark the page](#) to ensure you are accessing the latest versions.

Come and say hello



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**Energy Now Expo,
Telford**

Feb

Come and visit our stand, where you will find further useful information on staying compliant and the latest and upcoming changes to the scheme.

Read more

About the Non-Domestic RHI

The Non-Domestic Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) is a government environmental scheme that supports the uptake of renewable heat through financial incentives. We administer the scheme on behalf of government and provide quarterly reports as part of our statutory duties. [View the full scheme details.](#)

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