Feed-in Tariff Quarterly Report September 2020 (Issue 41)



Welcome to our Quarterly Report, bringing you information about the Feed-in Tariffs (FIT) scheme.

This report summarises statistics for the first quarter of FIT Year Eleven (1 April – 30 June 2020) and FIT activity since the start of the scheme. The statistics in this report are based on information held on our Central FIT Register.

We value your feedback. Please contact us with any comments or suggestions.

FIT statistics for the first quarter of FIT Year 11

(1 April - 30 June 2020)

Here are the latest quarterly statistics for the Feed-in Tariff scheme:

- There were a total of 719 FIT installations registered during the first quarter of FIT Year 11, continuing the downwards trend of registrations expected.
- Even though the number of registrations more than halved from the previous quarter, the Total Installed Capacity (TIC) accredited reduced less dramatically, with 17MW installed against the 20.7MW of previous quarter.
- In response to the unprecedented circumstances faced by prospective FIT generators at
 this time, the government has amended the Feed-in Tariffs Order 2012, granting
 extensions to validity periods for all preliminary accreditations and pre-registrations for
 community energy solar photovoltaic (PV) installations which expire between 1 March
 and 30 September 2020.
- £494,193,051.97 of FIT Export and Generation payments were claimed this quarter. The levelisation fund totalled £490,957,439.29.
- 868,589 installations and 6,373 MW of TIC have been accredited as of 30 June 2020.

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Quarter 1 of FIT Year 11

Accredited installations by technology type

Of the 719 installations accredited in this quarter, just under 2% are non-PV technologies. However, non-PV technologies combined account for just over 48% of the new capacity installed due to a large percentage of new PV capacity comprising of small domestic installations, as well as the higher on average TIC of wind installations for this quarter.

Total Installed Capacity by technology type

The total accredited capacity totalled 17 MW this quarter. This represents 0.26% of the TIC of the scheme.

The breakdown of capacity per technology accredited since the scheme began is as follows: Hydro – 3.56%, Anaerobic digestion – 4.59%, Wind – 11.94%, Micro CHP - 0.01%, Photovoltaic 79.9%.

Regional breakdown of FIT activity

Installations in England make up 85.97% of the total number of accreditations. Installations in Scotland and Wales amount to 7.51% and 6.53% of total accreditations, respectively.

The largest proportion of TIC lies within the South West, remaining at a total of 18.44% (1.15 GW), followed by Scotland with 12.31% (0.76 GW) of the total capacity installed to date.

Other news and updates

Ofgem Schemes on Twitter

We provide updates and scheme information via Twitter. We publish regular articles providing news and updates for stakeholders, as well as up-to-date data and statistics covering the schemes we administer. You can follow us on Twitter at openses

Changes to the FIT Scheme - Coronavirus (COVID-19) Update

The government has amended the Feed-in Tariffs Order 2012. The amendment Order provides extensions for those most immediately affected by the Coronavirus. The government recognises that validity periods for some preliminary accreditations expire after 30 September 2020 and will keep the situation under review. The full text of the amendment can be found here: Feed-in Tariffs (Amendment) (Coronavirus) Order 2020.

Ofgem information for energy licensees on coronavirus (COVID-19) response

We have published an update for licensees explaining how we will focus our activities on the most time-critical work we carry out for consumers during the coronavirus crisis. Find out more on the Ofgem website.

FIT Levelisation

The levelisation process for Year 11, Quarter One was completed on the 20th of August 2020. Licensed electricity suppliers reported a total of 55,167,168.7 MWh of electricity supplied during this period, of which 4,494,247.8 MWh was exempt, 2,557,397.1 MWh due to being renewable electricity sourced from outside of the UK and 1,936,850.7 MWh due to being exempt supply to Energy Intensive Industries. The cap on exempt electricity sourced from outside of the UK (2,971,117.895 MWh) was not breached for this quarter.

The levelisation fund totalled £490,957,439.294 with £450,690,438.62 claimed in FIT generation payments. The levelisation fund is just under 20% higher (£79.9m) than the same quarter in Year 10.

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The deadline for submission of levelisation data for the second quarterly periodic levelisation process of FIT Year 11, covering 1 July - 30 September 2020, is 14 October 2020.

Click here for the FIT Year 11 levelisation timetable.

FIT Levelisation Payments

During Quarter One of FIT Year 11, two suppliers failed to make their levelisation payment by the deadline of 11 August 2020.

The suppliers listed below failed to make their levelisation payments by the deadline of 11 of August 2020, and their full FIT obligation remains outstanding for this quarter, as of the time of writing:

Supplier	Amount outstanding as of deadline date
Effortless Energy Limited	£83,196.95

The following suppliers failed to make their levelisation payments by the deadline, but did subsequently pay in full:

Supplier	
Nabuh Energy Limited	
UK Power Reserve Limited	
Symbio Energy LTD	

Late and missed payments are incidents of non-compliance and will be added to the Supplier Performance Report.

About the Feed-in Tariff Scheme

The FIT scheme is a government programme introduced on 1 April 2010, designed to promote the uptake of small-scale renewable and low-carbon electricity generation technologies. We administer the scheme on behalf of the Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy, who is responsible for the FIT scheme policy and legislation.

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