
DRAFT STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**The Domestic Renewable Heat
Incentive Scheme Regulations 2014**

PART 12

Additional powers and functions of the Authority

Provision of information to the Authority

65. Where the Authority requests any information or declarations from an applicant or a participant under these Regulations, or an applicant or participant is otherwise required to provide any information or declarations—

- (a) that information and those declarations must be provided in such manner and form as the Authority may reasonably request and must be accurate to the best of the applicant's or participant's knowledge and belief; and
- (b) the costs of providing the information are to be borne by that applicant or participant.

Reliance on declarations and other information available to the Authority

66. When exercising any functions under these Regulations, the Authority may—

- (a) treat any declarations provided to it by an applicant in support of any application under these Regulations, or by a participant, as conclusive as to the matters to which they relate, unless the Authority has reason to believe that any such declaration is not accurate;
- (b) verify any information provided by an applicant or participant against any information on the MCS register and any other information available to the Authority;
- (c) treat inclusion of a plant on the MCS register as evidence that the plant has been certified on the basis that the plant is installed in accordance with a relevant installation standard or a standard which is equivalent to a relevant installation standard; and
- (d) treat any information about a plant on the MCS register as conclusive as to the matters to which it relates.

Duty to maintain a central register

67. The Authority must maintain a register of—

- (a) all accredited domestic plants;
- (b) all registered metering and monitoring agreements.

Duty to publish guidance

68. The Authority must publish procedural guidance to participants in connection with the administration of the domestic RHI scheme.

Duty to report to the Secretary of State

69.—(1) The Authority must provide to the Secretary of State monthly reports containing the following information, as applicable—

- (a) for each accredited domestic plant given accreditation in the period covered by the report—
 - (i) such of the information specified in Schedule 4 as the Authority may hold and the Secretary of State may require regarding the accredited domestic plant;
 - (ii) details of the plant it has replaced, if any;
 - (iii) the total amount of RHI payments made for the accredited domestic plant for the period covered by the report;
 - (iv) the eligible metered heat in kWh generated by the accredited domestic plant in the period covered by the report if the Authority has provided a metering statement for the plant or the deemed annual heat generation for the accredited domestic plant if a metering statement has not been provided;
 - (v) the full address of the RHI property; and
- (b) such other information as the Authority may hold in relation to its functions under these Regulations as the Secretary of State may require.

(2) Monthly reports must be provided in such manner and form as the Secretary of State may request and must, in particular, be presented in a way that separately identifies the information specified in paragraph (1)(a) for each accredited domestic plant.

(3) The first monthly report must cover the period from the relevant date and ending on 30th April 2014 and each subsequent monthly report must cover each subsequent month and must be sent to the Secretary of State within 7 working days of the end of that month.

(4) The Authority must provide to the Secretary of State quarterly and annual reports in such manner and form as the Secretary of State may request containing the information specified in paragraph (1) in aggregate form both for the period covered by the report and since the relevant date.

(5) The first annual report must be published by 31st July 2015 and must cover the period from the relevant date and ending on 31st March 2015, and in each subsequent calendar year the annual report must be published by 31st July for the 12 month period ending on 31st March of that year.

(6) The first quarterly report must be published by 31st August 2014 and must cover the period from the relevant date and ending on 31st July 2014, and each subsequent quarterly report must cover each subsequent three month period commencing on 1st August, 1st November, 1st February or 1st May and must be published within one month of the end of the relevant period.

(7) The Authority must publish the following information on its website—

- (a) the quarterly and annual reports provided in accordance with this regulation;
- (b) information in aggregate form as to—
 - (i) the number of accredited domestic plants;
 - (ii) the number of those plants which are biomass plants, air source heat pumps, ground source heat pumps or solar thermal plants;
 - (iii) the amount of eligible metered heat in kWh generated by accredited domestic plants for which the Authority has provided a metering statement and deemed annual heat generation for other accredited domestic plants in the relevant period; and
 - (iv) the total amount of RHI payments made under each tariff.

Duty to provide additional information to the Secretary of State

70.—(1) On request from the Secretary of State, the Authority must provide to the Secretary of State in such manner and form and by such date as the Secretary of State may request such additional information as the Authority may hold which relates to a function of the Authority under these Regulations.

(2) The information which the Secretary of State may request under paragraph (1) includes any information—

- (a) recorded by a meter installed under these Regulations; or
- (b) about a participant except for the participant's bank account details.