

## Green Energy (Definition and Promotion) Act 2009

## 2009 CHAPTER 19

## 1 Definition and promotion of green energy

(1) The principal purpose of this Act is to promote green energy.

- (2) In this Act "green energy" means-
  - (a) the generation of electricity or heat from renewable or low-carbon sources by the use of any equipment, the capacity of which to generate electricity or heat does not exceed the capacity specified in subsection (3); and
  - (b) energy efficiency measures.
- (3) That capacity is—
  - (a) in relation to the generation of electricity, 5 megawatts;
  - (b) in relation to the generation of heat, 5 megawatts thermal.
- (4) In carrying out any function under this Act, the Secretary of State must have regard to—
  - (a) the principal purpose set out in subsection (1);
  - (b) the desirability of alleviating fuel poverty; and
  - (c) the desirability of securing a diverse and viable long-term energy supply.

## Changes to legislation:

There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Green Energy (Definition and Promotion) Act 2009, Section 1.