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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2014 No. 928**

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

**PART 4**

**Authorisation of metering arrangements**

**Authorisation applications**

**23.**—(1) Where the owner of a plant (“plant A”) is required by regulation 17(2)(e) or 46(4) to make an authorisation application, that application must be made in accordance with this regulation.

(2) An authorisation application in respect of plant A must not be made before an accreditation application is made for plant A.

(3) A person who makes an authorisation application must provide to the Authority—

- (a) details of the metering arrangement;
- (b) if eligible meters are positioned in accordance with paragraph (3) or (4) of regulation 15 or paragraph (3) or (4) of regulation 16, evidence from the certified installer who was responsible for, or checked, the installation of the meters explaining why the heat output from plant A cannot be metered separately from the heat output from another plant (“plant B”);
- (c) if eligible meters are positioned in accordance with paragraph (4) of regulation 15 or paragraph (4) of regulation 16, evidence from the certified installer who was responsible for, or checked, the installation of the meters explaining why the heat output from plant B cannot be metered separately from the heat output from plant A;
- (d) if eligible meters are positioned in accordance with paragraph (5) of regulation 16, evidence that plant A is a heat pump which is capable of providing heating as well as cooling; and
- (e) any other information which the Authority may request in order to enable it to consider the authorisation application.

**Powers of the Authority when considering an authorisation application**

**24.** The Authority may—

- (a) arrange for a site inspection to be carried out by the Authority or its authorised agent;
- (b) request that information about the meters be provided from a certified installer who was responsible for, or checked, the installation of the meters;
- (c) if information is provided by the person making the authorisation application, request evidence that the accuracy of the information is verified by the certified installer who was responsible for, or checked, the installation of the meters.

## Authorisation

25.—(1) Where paragraph (2) applies, the Authority must—

- (a) give authorisation for the metering arrangement; and
- (b) notify the applicant that the authorisation application has been successful.

(2) This paragraph applies if the Authority is satisfied that—

- (a) all eligible meters located in accordance with the metering arrangement are positioned in accordance with the relevant paragraph of regulation 15 or 16;
- (b) the requirements set out in paragraph (3) are met; and
- (c) the requirements set out in paragraphs (4) to (6) are met as applicable.

(3) The requirements set out in this paragraph are that the location and type of eligible meters identified in the metering arrangement will or would if the plant (“plant A”) were given accreditation, enable sufficient information to be gathered for the Authority to calculate plant A’s eligible metered heat in a way that will not result in RHI payments which are materially greater than if eligible meters were installed in accordance with regulation 15(2) (for biomass plants) or 16(2) (for heat pumps).

(4) The requirements set out in this paragraph are that, if eligible meters are positioned in accordance with paragraph (3) or (4) of regulation 15 or paragraph (3) or (4) of regulation 16, the heat output from plant A cannot be metered separately from the heat output from another plant (“plant B”).

(5) The requirements set out in this paragraph are that, if eligible meters are installed in accordance with paragraph (4) of regulation 15 or paragraph (4) of regulation 16—

- (a) eligible meters cannot be installed to record separately the heat output from plant B; and
- (b) other measurements recorded by eligible meters can be used to calculate the heat output from plant A.

(6) The requirements set out in this paragraph are that, if eligible meters are installed in accordance with paragraph (5) of regulation 16, plant A is a heat pump which is capable of providing heating as well as cooling.