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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2018 No. 611**

**The Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme Regulations 2018**

**PART 2**

Eligibility and matters relating to eligibility

CHAPTER 2

Eligibility criteria for technologies

**Eligible installations generating heat using ground source heat pumps**

- 9.—(1) This regulation applies if the plant complies with all of the following requirements—
- (a) it is a ground source heat pump;
  - (b) where the tariff start date of the plant is on or after the date on which these Regulations come into force, it does not form part of a shared ground loop system;
  - (c) it generates heat using naturally occurring energy;
  - (d) in the case of a plant with an installation capacity of 45kWth or less, the plant meets the requirements in regulation 18;
  - (e) it has a coefficient of performance of at least 2.9; and
  - (f) in the case of a plant in respect of which an application for accreditation is made on or after 28th May 2014—
    - (i) the plant is designed and installed to operate with a seasonal performance factor of at least 2.5; and
    - (ii) where the plant is capable of heating and cooling, a design heat load for the plant has been calculated in accordance with BS EN [F112831-1:2017 or a subsequent version of that standard].
- (2) Paragraph (3) applies where—
- (a) an application for accreditation in respect of the plant is made on or after 28th May 2014; and
  - (b) the plant was first commissioned on or after 4th December 2013.
- (3) Where this paragraph applies, the requirement in paragraph (1)(c) is deemed to be satisfied where, in addition to using naturally occurring energy in the form of heat, the plant—
- (a) uses solar energy which—
    - (i) has been gathered by any means other than by a solar collector which is an accredited RHI installation; and
    - (ii) is stored in the ground in the form of heat;
  - (b) uses heat from space cooling or process cooling; or
  - (c) uses heat from processes other than the generation of heat.

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**Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme Regulations 2018, Section 9. (See end of Document for details)

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**Textual Amendments**

- F1** Words in reg. 9(1)(f)(ii) substituted (1.4.2022) by The Domestic Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme and Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/159), regs. 1(3), **36**

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