

From: [Hughes, Seamus](#)
To: [Johnston, Chris](#);
cc: [Wightman, Stuart](#);
Subject: RE: Energy Crops Event - AFBI
Date: 22 January 2015 09:25:55
Attachments: [RHI RHPP figures updated 19 jan.XLSX](#)

Chris

Please find updated RHI/RHPP summary attached. There isn't a great deal of change from the previous figures we provided. Apologies but there is currently no location information available from Ofgem but this is an issue we are actively pursuing with Ofgem and hopefully we will have this addressed soon.

Regards

Seamus

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From: Johnston, Chris
Sent: 21 January 2015 17:17
To: Hughes, Seamus
Subject: RE: Energy Crops Event - AFBI

Hi Seamus,

I am sorry to hassle you but would you at least have locations? N.Ireland looks very poor in the context of all Ireland wrt biomass installations which isn't the truth as we know.

Regards
Chris

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From: Johnston, Chris
Sent: 15 January 2015 17:01
To: Hughes, Seamus
Subject: RE: Energy Crops Event - AFBI

Thanks Seamus,

It would be great if you had the updated summary and as for the non-domestic installation, would

you even have rough location in DETI ? even by Town?

Regards
Chris

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From: Hughes, Seamus
Sent: 15 January 2015 14:41
To: Johnston, Chris
Subject: RE: Energy Crops Event - AFBI

Hi Chris

Unfortunately we do not have this information available at present but it is an issue that we are actively pursuing with Ofgem so some good statistical data should become available over the coming months. What I can say is that the vast majority of the non – domestic installations are for 99kW biomass boilers and the figures you have been given for applications are all for approved/live installations.

There will have been a slight change to the figures you have in the 9 December spreadsheet and if you wish I can have these updated for you.

I will be at the CAFRE event on 18 February.

Regards

Seamus

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From: Johnston, Chris
Sent: 15 January 2015 14:05
To: Hughes, Seamus
Subject: FW: Energy Crops Event - AFBI

Hi Seamus

Regarding our recent conversations on all this, (3% of a 10% target reached and the .xls you gave me attached). I was wondering whether you might be able to help me on something else please. IrBEA

(some of the guys you met when you were last at AFBI Hillsborough), put together the following very useful map every 2 years – [IrBEA Energy Map](#).

They normally access data through <https://www.gov.uk/government/statistics/renewable-energy-planning-database-monthly-extract> but it's not really showing much. You list 200+ non domestic biomass heat systems in NI under the RHI. Is it possible to get any further data on these so some of them might be added? Essentially location, operator, generating capacity &/or power and whether they are operating, under construction or just approved?

I appreciate some of this may be not possible due to data protection but hoping that at least location and output might be possible.

Any help greatly appreciated and hopefully see you again soon.

Regards
chris

ps – are you at the CAFRE Pofre event on 18th Feb

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From: Hughes, Seamus
Sent: 11 December 2014 11:57
To: Johnston, Chris
Cc: Wightman, Stuart
Subject: RE: Energy Crops Event - AFBI

Hi Chris

Provision of statistical data is something that we plan to turn more attention to early in the new year but in the interim I hope the attached snapshot for both the RHI and RHPP will be of help to you.

Regards

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From: Johnston, Chris
Sent: 06 December 2014 16:49

To: Wightman, Stuart
Cc: Hughes, Seamus
Subject: RE: Energy Crops Event - AFBI

Hi Stuart, Seamus,

I was wondering if there might be any figures available that I could access on RHI uptake. I am keen to get an idea just of the numbers and types (sizes) of systems which have been installed and where we actually are currently with the 10% heat target. Is this data available at all?

Thanks again

Regards
Chris

Ps – also, are there any estimations of renewable heat proportions out to 2030,40 or 50?

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From: Johnston, Chris
Sent: 01 December 2014 10:08
To: Wightman, Stuart
Cc: Hughes, Seamus
Subject: RE: Energy Crops Event - AFBI

Hi Stuart, Seamus,

Good to see you both again at AFBI last week. Your presentation went down very well and was very much appreciated everyone. I was wondering if there might be any figures available that I could access on RHI uptake. I am keen to get an idea just of the numbers and types (sizes) of systems which have been installed. Is this data available at all?

Talk soon

Regards
Chris

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From: Wightman, Stuart
Sent: 26 November 2014 17:34
To: Michael Hegarty
Cc: Johnston, Chris; Hughes, Seamus
Subject: RE: Energy Crops Event - AFBI

Michael,

I attach a powerpoint that I hope to run through tomorrow. If you're not planning to have a projector, please let me know and I'll run off hard copies.

Thx

Stuart

From: Michael Hegarty [<mailto:michaelhegarty@irbea.ie>]

Sent: 21 November 2014 15:46

To: Hughes, Seamus; Wightman, Stuart

Cc: Johnston, Chris

Subject: Re: Energy Crops Event - AFBI

Seamus, Stuart

Chris passed on your email to me. Yes you only need to be at AFBI for the 13.00-14.00 hour slot, but I'm sure you'd find it interesting to hear Kevin Lindegaard speak from 12.00 to 13.00 - you're very welcome.

Looking forward to meeting you next Thursday 27th.

Regards

Michael

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On 21 Nov 2014, at 15:21, Johnston, Chris <Chris.Johnston@afbini.gov.uk> wrote:

Michael

Reference the below email. I have confirmed that they only need to be here for the hour however I am encouraging them to come for Kevin talk.

Hope that's all ok

Regards

Chris

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Hughes, Seamus <Seamus.Hughes@detini.gov.uk>
Sent: Friday, 21 November 2014 14:55
To: Johnston, Chris
Cc: Wightman, Stuart
Subject: Energy Crops Event - AFBI

Chris

Michael Hegarty sent the email below through about the event next Thursday (27th). I just wanted to confirm with you that Stuart and I are only required for the one hour slot between 1 and 2 pm? We have a lot on here at present in making preparations for the launch of the Domestic RHI and unfortunately wouldn't be able to give any more time on the day.

Many thanks

Regards

Seamus

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From: Michael Hegarty [<mailto:michaelhegarty@irbea.ie>]
Sent: 03 November 2014 16:00
To: Wightman, Stuart; Hughes, Seamus
Cc: Johnston, Chris; Roisin Grimes
Subject: Re: Hi

Dear Stuart and Seamus,

Following up on Chris Johnston's email below, IrBEA and BENI (who are just joining IrBEA) are very pleased you will be able to participate at the event on Thurs 27 Nov. Below is a draft agenda for the whole day.

You'll see we have you timed for the 13.00-14.00 slot (approx, time could be extended) including light lunch. Hopefully this time suits you at this stage. The Energy Crops Group (incl. BENI), are very interested in hearing about the RHI – we can give you more of an indication of specific aspects nearer the time.

My phone number is below, I would call you next week to discuss briefly - thanks if you could send me direct contact phone number(s).

Regards for now

Michael

10.00-11.00	<u>Meeting</u> IrBEA with BENI members to formalise BENI-IrBEA relationship, as per agreed MoU
11.00-12.00	<u>Meeting</u> of regular IrBEA Energy Crops Group (incl. BENI)
12.00-13.00	<u>Guest speaker</u> Kevin Lindegaard, Crops for Energy Ltd, Bristol UK
13.00-14.00	<u>Meeting/discussion</u> : IrBEA Energy Crops Group (incl. BENI) with DETI officials (Stuart Wightman, Seamus Hughes) responsible for RHI, incl. <u>presentation</u> by DETI, to discuss sector challenges/issues, inform DETI about BENI's new partnership with IrBEA (incl soup/sandwiches lunch)
14.00-16.30	<u>WFQA meeting</u> exploring options and technical detail for WFQA to be recognised under the Biomass Suppliers List (BSL) standard NI (possibly open to Energy Crops Group to attend)
16.30-17.00	Short tour of <u>AFBI</u>

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On 30 Oct 2014, at 16:58, Johnston, Chris <Chris.Johnston@afbini.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear Stuart and Seamus,

Thank you very much for agreeing to give a short presentation on 27th on the Ni RHI

I have cc'd IrBEA's general manager Michael Hegarty who will follow this up.

See you then

Regards
Chris

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From: Wightman, Stuart
Sent: 30 October 2014 10:02
To: Johnston, Chris
Cc: Hughes, Seamus; McCay, Davina
Subject: RE: Hi

Hi Chris

I've pencilled in the 27th for Seamus and myself. We can give a short presentation on NI RHI scheme.

I mentioned to you on Tuesday that DECC have commissioned consultants Ricardo-AEA to complete a comprehensive assessment to identify potential for CHP and district heating across the UK in line with the EE Directive. As part of this work, we have been asked by DECC if there is any information or reports prepared on projected Biomass availability in NI up to 2025. They have information for GB but not NI. I was wondering if AFBI had prepared any reports or papers which we could share with DECC.

We'll also get something organised down the line to discuss Phase 2 of the non-domestic RHI scheme. We're still working away to try and get the domestic scheme launched in the next 4-6 weeks. It will therefore probably be the new year before we start looking at the non-domestic scheme again but I will keep you posted.

Happy to discuss.

Thanks

Stuart

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From: Johnston, Chris
Sent: 29 October 2014 18:19
To: Wightman, Stuart
Subject: Hi

Dear Stuart,

Good to meet you again yesterday. Sorry I wasn't able to make your whole presentation. I was giving a couple myself and chairing a potentially contentious one so I wasn't able to get away in time!!!

You mentioned again that you are keen to get together at some stage to talk about certain areas under the non-domestic RHI Phase 2. I would look forward to this, Nigel Moore would also be good to include in these discussions.

I mentioned also a low key meeting we are planning for AFBI Hillsborough. The date is 27th Nov
Attendees from biomass supply chain (BENI) – (<http://www.biomassenergyini.com/>)
Irish Bioenergy Association (IrBEA) – (<http://www.irbea.ie/>)
Wood Fuel Quality Assurance (<http://www.irbea.ie/index.php/wfqa>)

A few short presentations from a few of us inc RHI would be really helpful. Certainly in view of the
RoI Draft Bioenergy Plan where RHI is also being considered.

Regards
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