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**To:** [Hughes, Seamus;](#)  
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Thanks Seamus

See you soon

Regards  
Chris

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Good afternoon Chris

I have made one minor suggested change to your wording below, (shown in blue), otherwise content with this.

Regards

Seamus

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**From:** Johnston, Chris  
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**To:** Hughes, Seamus  
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Hi Seamus,

Apologies for not having written yet to thank you for speaking at our event last week. Your attendance and support at these events is enormously appreciated and naturally what the RHI is doing for the sector vitally important. Hopefully you found the event useful also and had the chance to speak to 1 or 2 of the delegates ( I think they call this networking !!!). I am in the process of trying to put together a brief news article and would very much like your opinion on the below text as I want to make sure you are happy with it and I am not overstepping the mark. Would you check over and amend as you see fit?

Thanks again and see you soon  
Regards  
Chris

“IrBEA Executive Noel Gavigan provided detailed insight into how the Wood Fuel Quality Assurance scheme (WFQA) works, including standards, audits, compliance requirements and costs as well as providing a vivid demonstration of how to determine chip size when sampling. WFQA member Kenny McCauley (McCauley Wood Fuels) gave a suppliers view including numerous illustrations and tips on how to maximise benefits from the scheme. **There is strong interest in NI in the WFQA as an industry standard and this was clear from a presentation by DETI official Seamus Hughes. DETI's intention is to examine the practicalities of introducing a similar scheme possibly including recognition of quality schemes such as the WFQA alongside the Biomass Suppliers List (BSL) - a sustainability standard used for assessing fuel eligibility for Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) payments in Great Britain.**

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