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Good afternoon Chris

It was good to catch up with you this afternoon. I spoke to Ofgem about your query on a biomass fuels list under the RHI as I wasn't sure if a list existed or not. You will note that the Ofgem response below confirms that there is no fuel list but the fuel must be listed on a valid emissions certificate.

I hope this is helpful to you.

Regards

Seamus

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Hello Seamus,

The definition of “biomass” used in the NI RHI scheme is based on the definition given in the Energy Act 2011, Regulation 113(3): <http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2011/16/section/113>

There is no list of permitted fuel types, and all biomass applications will be treated on a case by case basis. However, Ofgem do require that all biomass fuels used are solid (liquid biomass fuels are not permitted) and are listed on a valid emissions certificate which must be uploaded with the RHI application. If a participant wishes to change fuel once they are accredited, they must provide an emissions certificate with the new fuel listed.

I hope this is helpful, but please feel free to contact me if you have any further queries.

Kind regards,  
Stacey

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Good afternoon Stacey

I was at a meeting this morning with some people from Bio Energy Northern Ireland, (BENI), and I was asked a question about permitted biomass fuels under the NI RHI. Is there a list available setting out permitted fuel types under the RHI that I could direct them to? I appreciate that currently the NI RHI does not have the BSL requirements.

Many thanks

Regards

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