

From: [Anderson, Mark](#)
To: [Johnston, Chris](#);
Subject: Re: RHI Press release
Date: 08 February 2016 16:38:03

Most people think it's March time also. Will be some shock Monday

On 8 Feb 2016 4:36 p.m., "Johnston, Chris" <Chris.Johnston@afbini.gov.uk> wrote:

Indeed Mark. From many sources. It doesn't really say much other than confirm what we knew!!!

Regards
Chris
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From: Anderson, Mark
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Please find attached a link to a press release regarding the future of the Renewable Heat Incentive.

<https://www.detini.gov.uk/news/proposals-close-northern-ireland-renewable-heat-incentive-announced>

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Date: 08 February 2016 10:58:45

Dear MEC, see also further info/thoughts this morning from our MEC colleague John Martin here - of particular interest to those working in the NI market but also for observers from the Republic.

***Dear Member
Please see below
a link to a
statement made
by DETI Minister
Jonathan Bell on
Friday.
I regret to
inform you that
he has announced
the closure of
the Domestic and
Non domestic RHI
schemes for new
applications. It
is not yet clear
the details
behind this but
it appears to be
with
immediate effect.
This is
disappointing
given the recent
meeting with DETI
staff who
provided no
indication, even
when questioned
directly about
future changes to
the scheme.
At the IrBea
conference last
week a lot of***

focus was on the introduction of an RHI scheme towards the end of 2016 / early 2017.

Action Renewables are co-ordinating an event for MLAs at Stormont on 22nd February at 2.00pm, which was planned before this announcement.

This is an all party event which sought to raise awareness of the renewables sector. I suspect the focus may now change somewhat to question the logic of removing support for renewable heat etc. Contact Orlaith McVeigh if you are interested in attending.

You should be aware that there is also a proposal to audit installations to ensure there is no fraudulent taking place and they are being operated within the spirit of

*the scheme.
I would welcome
any suggestions
you may have
around this
announcement.
Regards, John*

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On 8 Feb 2016, at 10:07, <contact@irbea.ie> <contact@irbea.ie>
wrote:

For your attention.
Teresa