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The DECC report concludes that the significant growth in the biomass market since 2009 is attributed to three key factors: the RHI, increased consumer and lender confidence and the historic increases in oil prices. The report states, "the dominance of biomass in the renewable heat industry was confirmed by participants and attributed to the fact that biomass was perceived to be the easiest retrofit solution as well as seen as better suited to old, inefficient properties than other technologies." Participants also believe that the RHI tariff for biomass was more generous when compared to the tariff for other renewable heat technologies.