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Subject: RHI

Eugene

Settlement letter apparently not yet finalised.

HMT officials not sighted on previous treasury communication on rhi – 5% penalty until come back into line.

DfP presented the argument that accepting VFM as necessary, contribution to national targets warranting proportionate budget and that illogical to have scheme triggers based solely on a percentage of a national budget where structure of market is different.

Treasury interested in spike – i confirmed this am that this was an issue we were picking up in the work that we were asking IAS to bring forward.

Michelle to write to HMT to further set out background/position (i offered to input).

HMT stated that they would speak to DECC before reverting/confirming final position.

Separately Michelle indicated that intention is to write to us by the end of the week on the retrospective approval (will speak to you later on this).

Trevor