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Subject: RE: RHI - burning our own wood fuel
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Good morning Elliott

There is currently no issue with your proposal to dry bought in biomass for later use as fuel in your boiler. However, in the longer term as indicated previously once biomass sustainability arrangements are in place you will have to seek registration as a self supplier of fuel to use your own willow, and at that point also any other fuel you seek to bring in would have to come from a registered source.

I hope this helps.

Regards

Seamus

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Seamus

Thanks for the clarification on that matter.

Just to add to the original query, as mentioned we have our own willow plantation which is due to be harvested soon. Are there any issues from a regulatory perspective with us using our own woodchip in our boiler to dry bought in green biomass on our drying floor which can later be used to fuel our boiler?

Many thank for your help.

Elliott

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Dear Mr Bell

Thank you for your enquiry.

At present under the Northern Ireland RHI there are no specific requirements around the sourcing of fuel however it is planned to introduce biomass sustainably requirements to the RHI which are likely to mirror the Biomass Supplier List , (BSL) arrangements currently in place in GB, probably at some point during 2016.

These arrangements once in place will provide for self registration as a fuel supplier for your own use, or indeed wider trading if you would wish to do so, (assuming criteria is met). This is the arrangement in place within the GB BSL scheme. Some Northern Ireland fuel suppliers are already registered on the BSL as they supply fuel to GB customers.

I hope this is helpful to you.

Regards

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From: [elliott bell](mailto:elliottbell@detini.gov.uk) Personal information redacted by the RHI Inquiry

Sent: 28 October 2015 20:27

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Subject: RHI - burning our own wood fuel

Hi

I am currently in the process of installing a biomass boiler on our farm for the purposes of drying grain and heating non-domestic buildings. We have our own supply of wood fuel on our farm from an SRC willow plantation.

I just wanted to seek clarification from you as to whether we're allowed to burn our own

wood fuel as part of the RHI scheme? From one of the links I read on your website, it seems to suggest that we can use our own fuel as long as we're registered on the biomass suppliers list.

Our intention would be use a mixture of our own fuel and some bought in to fuel the installation. We have not decided whether we will sell our wood fuel or not yet, but might like to have the option.

I would appreciate some clarification on this matter.

Best regards

Elliott Bell