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Teri

Please see below in relation to an urgent query from Alternative Heat. Can you give me a call to discuss please as we need to agree our position for this scenario.

Many thanks

Regards

Seamus

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Seamus,

A matter for urgent attention/response!

As per phone call yesterday, you agreed with me that it is within the legislation and permissible to change the location of an accredited/submitted application or add additional heat load (not capacity) to the installation i.e. heating an additional shed or dwelling. I refer you to **9** regulation of **24A** of The Renewable Heat Incentive Schemes (Amendment) Regulation.

I checked on this with Ofgem yesterday (as you are aware). We have a large number of installations which have been with Ofgem some 3-4months, many of which have only recently been picked up and are still in review due to Ofgem's significant back-log of applications. Some of these installations since the application was submitted back in October – November have added additional heat load (e.g. connection to a nearby dwelling) or have moved location on site due to site construction work. My question to Ofgem was whether we were better to make the amendment now or wait until the application was approved before making the amendment.

As you are aware, I was passed to Gregor who's understanding was that after the NIRHI closure on 29th February that no amendments could be made to any NIRHI application. I explained that it wasn't additional capacity and that it was written into the legislation that this was permissible. We need clarity on this **immediately** please Seamus. I informed Gregor that I was chatting to you on this – he has passed it to Terry Clifton who I am informed was to ring you yesterday for clarity on this.

Ofgem have no issue with accepting amendments after the closure of the scheme but just want clarity from DETI regards this and in turn we need this in writing **today** please Seamus. Regards amendments Seamus, the process is that you need to notify Ofgem **via email** of the amendment, in turn Ofgem have 10days in which to respond to the notification with instructions on what is required. The scheme closes in 10days!! Therefore can you make it clear to Ofgem, as per our conversation yesterday, that amendments to NIRHI applications **submitted** prior to the closure of the scheme, regards relocation of plant or additional heated areas (**not additional capacity**) are permissible, even after the 29th February.

Can you please get back to me on this, providing this in writing also as a matter of urgency. Thanks.

Kind Regards

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