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Dear Fergal

Thank you for your email to Seamus Hughes on Friday, 20 February. I've now had an opportunity to listen to the calls between yourself and Gregor and would like to confirm Ofgem's position.

As you are aware, the NI RHI Scheme will be suspended to new applications including additional capacity applications after 23.59 on 29 February.

Your query related specifically to additional heat load and I apologise if our information was unclear.

We will continue to process, where appropriately notified, changes in heat demand associated with accredited RHI installations after the 29 February, in line with the regulations. This would generally include an additional heat load, as long as there is no additional capacity added as part of the change. From your telephone call, I understand that you have a number of applications in the system (around 30) requiring additional heat loads to be added.

I would recommend that you inform us of these cases (providing the affected NI RHI numbers and a summary of anticipated changes) through the notifications email box (RHI.Notification@Ofgem.gov.uk) so that we have the requests recorded.

Where material changes are made, you should retain evidence of changes made, including recording meter readings for all RHI-relevant meters. You should then notify us, by email in the first instance, within 28 days of the change. Where changes are made prior to Ofgem communicating a decision to accredit an installation, you should provide further notification within 28 days of receipt of any confirmation that approval has been granted, making reference to any earlier correspondence and confirming the extent of material changes relating to the accredited installation which have occurred since the 'date of accreditation' noted in the application approval letter.

We will also continue to process, after 29th February and subject to regulations in force, changes relating to the relocation of plant. You should be aware that as per the regulations in force, we will not be in a position to approve such a change if this leads to the installation failing to meet the eligibility criteria as required in the original location, and that separate provisions exist regarding additional capacity.

I hope that the above is helpful, and if you have any further queries, please contact the RHI Enquiry line on 0845 200 2122

Regards

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