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Dear Ms McVeigh

Please see attached in relation to your correspondence about the NI RHI.

Regards

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Dear Ms McVeigh

NORTHERN IRELAND RENEWABLE HEAT INCENTIVE SCHEMES (RHI)

Thank you for your email of 10 February 2016 to Pam Cameron, MLA about the closure of the Northern Ireland Renewable Heat Incentive, (RHI), which was forwarded to the Minister. The Minister has read your correspondence and he has asked me to respond on his behalf.

Both, (RHI), schemes have been very successful with the non domestic scheme in particular seeing significant uptake during the last 12 months and more so in the run up to the recent scheme changes introduced in November 2015. It is estimated that around 6% of NI's heating needs are now provided through renewable technologies. The Executive's target to achieve 4% renewable heat has been exceeded.

The budget for 2016/17 is already committed to existing RHI recipients. Further funding is not available for new applications. Even meeting existing RHI commitments will require additional funding to be found from the resources available to the Executive.

To help manage these budgetary pressures, the Minister has decided to close both schemes to new applications from 29 February 2016 subject to the approval of the Assembly.

Yours sincerely

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