From: <u>Cooper, Trevor</u>
To: <u>Murphy, Shane</u>

Cc: Connolly, Samuel; Smith, Alan; Mills, John (DETI); Linton, Rachel; Rooney, Eugene; Hutchinson, Lee-Anne;

McFarlane, Iain

Subject: FW: Domestic RHI Case
Date: 11 July 2014 16:29:48

Shane

We briefly discussed before you went off on leave.

Further to Sam Connolly's comments on the case, in terms of progressing this case further with DFP there are a couple of issues that need to be confirmed specifically around the options analysis. The Casework Committee specifically queried why a couple of the options which apparently delivered better outcomes had not been fully analysed. We need to be able to cover and stand over this with dfp and we do not have information on this so can i ask that this is specifically addressed to enable us to get dfp onside with the case.

Trevor

From: Connolly, Samuel Sent: 18 June 2014 14:48 To: Linton, Rachel

Cc: Cooper, Trevor Subject: FW: Domestic RHI Case

Rachel,

As discussed, please see below my email to Shane expressing my contentment with the RHI

project. Sam

From: Connolly, Samuel Sent: 13 June 2014 15:10 To: Murphy, Shane; Smith, Alan

Cc: Mills, John (DETI)
Subject: Domestic RHI Case

Shane,

I've met with Alan and despite only being able to undertake a cursory review of the economic appraisal I'm reasonably content that the NIGEAE guidance has been applied appropriately and that all the key issues have been considered and noted within the document.

As discussed with Alan, the principles applied appear to be in line with the previous RHI scheme (which I did have some involvement with) and the preferred option has been chosen on the basis of optimising heat output, total cost and available funding. Furthermore there is a clear policy expectation that NI (and other devolved administrations) make a contribution towards the UK's overall legally binding renewable energy target.

It is on this basis, that I'd be content for the EA to be submitted to DFP.

Regards

Sam

From: Murphy, Shane Sent: 11 June 2014 18:09

To: Smith, Alan

Cc: Connolly, Samuel; Mills, John (DETI)

Subject: Domestic RHI Case

Alan,

I hear from Finance today that this case needs to go to DFP for approval and, as I understand it anyway, that this raises two issues following the casework:

1) The case is complex and Finance want to ensure that a DETI economist is fully up to speed on all the detail within the case, so that DETI can response with authority, and quickly to any, DFP queries. I suspect that, with time being tight, it is really only feasible for you to

be that person and ensure that you know the issues etc inside out.

2) In addition there needs to be an ASU overlay (the fully "independent" ASU assessment). That will have to be short and quick, but any assessment will be unable to get into the detail, and it will only ever conclude on VFM while taking the various figures etc at face value. Sam can do this, but will only have a short time to devote to this.

Finance are targeting a submission to DFP on Monday. That means we needs to be in good a position on No1 and No2 very quickly and you will need to get a copy of the case etc to Sam ASAP.

Sorry I wasn't around much today to speak personally about this.

Also copying to John as I don't know who in Energy Division led on this case as I wasn't involved in this particular casework.

Regards Shane

Shane Murphy

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