

From: [Coulter, Nicola](#)
To: [Crozier, Lorraine](#)
Subject: RE: RHI financial database
Date: 13 September 2016 09:53:01
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Hi Lorraine

The text below is what we have from Seamus, followed by Stuart's authorisation:

Original request

The Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme, (RHI), has been very successful with some 4,800 installations in total supported under both the non domestic and domestic schemes.

- Severe pressure on budget and a change in the Treasury allocation of funding forced the closure of the RHI to new applications from 29 February 2016.
- The RHI is already over budget and there will be an ongoing impact on DEL block grant over the forthcoming budget period.
- The current spreadsheet system in place for monitoring expenditure and forecasting is no longer fit for purpose given the number of installations supported and the associated expenditure.
- We therefore urgently require a database system to provide for a flexible and robust financial management system. The financial control of RHI is a top DETI priority.
- We also need the facility to produce both regular and adhoc reports on RHI expenditure and statistics which we can't do through our current spreadsheet.

Authorisation

This work is urgent given the levels of expenditure (£50m / year) and installation numbers (4,800) that we now have on the RHI schemes. The current Excel based system is no longer fit for purposes.

Hope this helps but please let me know if you need anything else

Regards
Nicola

From: Crozier, Lorraine
Sent: 13 September 2016 09:49
To: Coulter, Nicola <Nicola.Coulter@economy-ni.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: RHI financial database

Hi Nicola

Would you be able to send me the original request that Stuart or Seamus submitted some time

ago for the Non Domestic RHI Database so that I can review and ensure that it still covers all of the work we require.

Many thanks

Lorraine

Lorraine Crozier

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From: Coulter, Nicola
Sent: 07 September 2016 09:50
To: Crozier, Lorraine
Cc: Hughes, Seamus; Willis, Adele
Subject: RE: RHI financial database

Hi Lorraine

Your office at 2pm will suit fine for the meeting. I'll send out a meeting request

Regards

Nicola

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Sent: 07 September 2016 09:43
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Hi Nicola,

Thursday (8th) at 2pm is fine with myself and Adele will be attending as well.

Adele and I are meeting today in order that I may familiarise myself with the RHI Database for the Domestic scheme.

Shall we meet in my office (Room 29, Energy) or would you prefer to meet somewhere else?

Regards

Lorraine

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From: Coulter, Nicola
Sent: 06 September 2016 11:16
To: Crozier, Lorraine
Cc: Hughes, Seamus
Subject: RHI financial database

Lorraine

Further to our telephone discussion last week, I have spoken to Teresa McCullagh who would also be interested in attending a meeting about an online solution to replace the existing RHI financial spreadsheet.

I know we had discussed this Thursday afternoon (8th) to meet – we have a meeting that morning but does the afternoon at 2pm in Netherleigh suit you?

Regards

Nicola

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