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Referred To: JOHN MILLS

Date referred: 08/02/2016

ACTION REQUIRED

Please provide advice and a draft reply for signature by the Minister

To be with private.office@detini.gov.uk not later than 15/02/2016

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From: McCallister, John [mailto:john.mccallister@mla.niassembly.gov.uk]
Sent: 08 February 2016 15:15
To: Private Office DETI
Subject: Renewable Heat Incentive

Dear Jonathan

I am writing on behalf of a number of constituents in relation to the announced closer of the Renewable Heat Incentive scheme as of the 31 March 2016.

I currently have a number of constituents who are in the process of applying to the enter the scheme, some of this driven by the insistence of Moy Park in relation to animal welfare and animal performance issues.

Is there likely to be any leeway on the 31 March date for those who have already entered the application process, but are unsure as to whether they will gain approval by the closure date or indeed have the commissioning process completed (I believe there was some leeway for the last round of applications)?

In Northern Ireland we are facing a situation of continued demand with regards the Renewable Heat Incentive scheme, however, in England an equivalent scheme has seen very disappointing uptake. Have any representations been made to Westminster with a view to accessing additional funding for the Northern Ireland scheme, which will be helping the UK's renewable energy targets?

I understand that Moy Park is writing in a limit of approximately 1,300 -1,400 units within their own contracts. Given the importance of the Agri-food sector and in particular the poultry sector to the NI economy, if further funding was made available - to maintain the sustainability of the scheme - would you consider introducing a unit limit?

Kind regards

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