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Brian

Following our conversation last Friday see attached a general briefing on the RHI. The non-domestic scheme is likely to change next summer, however these changes are not likely to have a negative impact on Moy Park growers. If you want to give me a call I can talk you through the detail.

Regards

Andrew

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

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Andrew

Please find attached short summary of the NI RHI Scheme. Unfortunately, the policy for Phase 2 of the Non-domestic scheme has yet to be finalised so we cannot confirm what changes (to tariffs, etc) will be made. Implementation of Phase 2 will be taken forward early in 2015. Both RHI schemes will then be kept under review.

Happy to discuss.

Thanks

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**NI RENEWABLE HEAT INCENTIVE (RHI) SCHEME**

1. The Northern Ireland Renewable Heat Incentive (NI RHI) provides financial support to non-domestic renewable heat generators and producers of biomethane. The primary objective for the NI RHI is to increase the uptake of renewable heat to 10% by 2020 (baseline position of 1.7% in 2010) in line with the targets set out in the Strategic Energy Framework for NI.
2. The RHI aims to compensate investors for the additional costs of renewable heat compared to traditional fossil fuel systems. The RHI tariff setting methodology also includes the provision of a rate of return in order to stimulate interest in a developing unknown marketplace and to provide compensation for financing costs of making the necessary investment in capital projects.
3. The first phase of the NI RHI was launched on 1 November 2012. This phase provides long term financial support for non-domestic properties wishing to switch from conventional heating to renewable heating solutions. Payments are made quarterly, for the lifetime of the installation (maximum 20 years) and are determined by the heat output of the installation and the relevant tariff for the technology installed.
4. The NI RHI scheme has received 322 applications to date of which 205 have received accreditation. These installations account for a total heat capacity of 18MW and a annual heat output of 22 GWh. Businesses in Northern Ireland have received over £2.71M of financial support since the RHI was introduced in 2012. The NI RHI scheme currently supports the following technologies:-
  - Biomass
  - Biomethane
  - Ground Source Heat Pumps
  - Solar Thermal
5. Consultation<sup>1</sup> on Phase 2 of the NI RHI was completed in October 2013. This included proposals to extend the scheme to domestic properties and to introduce new non-domestic tariffs to cover:-
  - Air Source Heat Pumps
  - Deep Geothermal (currently treated as GSHP)
  - Bioliquids (heat only)
  - Large Biomass (>1MW)
  - District Heating
6. The domestic RHI is to be introduced in December 2014 (subject to legislation been passed). Extension of the non-domestic scheme will be taken forward in 2015.
7. The tariffs and eligible heating technologies for both RHI schemes will then continue to be kept under review.

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<sup>1</sup> [http://www.detini.gov.uk/consultation\\_on\\_phase\\_2\\_of\\_the\\_ni\\_rhi.pdf](http://www.detini.gov.uk/consultation_on_phase_2_of_the_ni_rhi.pdf)