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Subject: RE: Northern Ireland Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme Site Visits and Audits [OFFICIAL]
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Good afternoon Adele,

I'm assuming the confirmation request below is in relation to the proposed independent review by appointed agents of the Department for the Economy.

It might be useful at the outset to confirm the scope of the review / expected inputs, which information / access is being requested any why along with the expected outputs and how the information will be used including any information that will be published.

I can confirm that agents for the Department for the economy would be able to get access to NI RHI data held by Ofgem in accordance with the Arrangements, the data sharing protocol and any relevant legal constraints (e.g. on personal or commercial confidentiality). We would also be content for them to make arrangements to interview staff in Ofgem, if needed, to obtain a better understanding of the application, payment and inspection controls.

The Arrangements allow for requests of this nature and outline the approach / responsibilities of both parties including specifying what information is required and why the information is required.

We will review any specific requests as they materialise in relation to the above and confirm what information could be shared and the timescales for providing it. If there are any instances where we believe that we could not provide information, we will set out the rationale.

Regards
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Subject: Northern Ireland Renewable Heat Incentive Scheme Site Visits and Audits

Good morning Gareth,

As discussed with Teri. Our internal auditors are seeking confirmation that any appointed agent of the Department for the Economy would be able to get access to NI RHI data held by Ofgem and that also if needed, they would be able to interview staff in Ofgem to obtain a better understanding of the application, payment and inspection controls. Grateful if you could advise if there would be any issues with granting this access.

Regards

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