

From: [Thomson, David](#)
To: [Thompson, Sandra](#)
Cc: [Mills, John \(DETI\)](#); [Dolaghan, Paul](#)
Subject: RE: NI Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) Payments
Date: 12 March 2014 15:39:41
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Sandra

I am content to approve (provided I can find my way around Account NI in Iris's absence)

I'm assuming you have budget cover for a payment of this amount at the year end

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From: Thompson, Sandra
Sent: 12 March 2014 15:27
To: Thomson, David
Cc: Mills, John (DETI); Dolaghan, Paul
Subject: NI Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) Payments
Importance: High

Hi David – we have an unexpectedly large payment request from Ofgem in relation to NI RHI grant payments in March. Ofgem have provided full details of the installations to which payments relate and Peter Hutchinson has confirmed that he is content to approve release of the amount requested = £105,055.26. (e-mail trail below and attached pdf refer)
Unfortunately payments of over £100,000 now require approval at G3 level. The payment has been submitted to you on AccountNI and if you are content I would be grateful if you could approve.

Thanks – happy to discuss if you need further clarification.

Sandra

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From: Hutchinson, Peter
Sent: 12 March 2014 14:39
To: Thompson, Sandra; McCutcheon, Joanne
Subject: TRIM: RE: NI RHI Payments

Sandra,

Content with this.

Peter

From: Thompson, Sandra
Sent: 12 March 2014 14:24
To: Hutchinson, Peter; McCutcheon, Joanne
Subject: FW: NI RHI Payments

Can you confirm if content that we release the amount requested? 'Analysis for Sandra' above details the payments they intend to make.

Sandra

From: Deckerson Thomas [<mailto:Deckerson.Thomas@ofgem.gov.uk>]
Sent: 12 March 2014 13:39
To: Thompson, Sandra
Cc: McCutcheon, Joanne; Hutchinson, Peter
Subject: RE: NI RHI Payments

Hi Sandra,

I have re-attached it for you but I suspect you already have this. It does not include payments pending on the 28th totalling £24k as that will be made on the 24th March 2014 hopefully with the rest of the other pending payments.

I have also attached an excerpt of all the pending payments for your records. If the remittance of £105,559.15 is in the account by Monday, all of these will be cleared together if not only the £24,110.37 will be paid and the rest will be differed but will be paid before the end of the financial year.

Hope this helps.

Regards
Deckerson

From: Thompson, Sandra [<mailto:Sandra.Thompson@detini.gov.uk>]
Sent: 12 March 2014 13:05
To: Deckerson Thomas
Cc: McCutcheon, Joanne; Hutchinson, Peter
Subject: RE: NI RHI Payments

Hi Deckerson – could we have the up-to-date payments and accruals return you usually send? .
I'm assuming it will include details of the payments 'in process at 28 Feb' which would now have been paid?
Thanks.

Sandra

From: Deckerson Thomas [<mailto:Deckerson.Thomas@ofgem.gov.uk>]
Sent: 11 March 2014 11:06
To: Thompson, Sandra
Cc: McCutcheon, Joanne; Hutchinson, Peter
Subject: RE: NI RHI Payments

Hi Sandra,

There have been a few approvals awaiting payment on the 17th March 2014.

The total cash required to facilitate the next payment is **£105,055.26**. I have updated the cash request as attached for your records.

As I indicated on the request, if the above amount is transferred, then the balance on the account as at 31st March will be zero after payment is made but will comply with the framework agreement for year-end reporting.

Payments for any further approval after these will be made in April.

It would be appreciated if this transfer be done as soon as you possible can for the amount to be in the bank account by Monday 17th when payment is to be made.

Please let me know if you require any further information.

Regards

Deckerson

From: Deckerson Thomas
Sent: 04 March 2014 12:25
To: 'Thompson, Sandra'
Cc: McCutcheon, Joanne; Hutchinson, Peter
Subject: RE: NI RHI Payments

Hi Sandra,

Thanks for your prompt response.

I will most certainly let you know in due course.

Regards
Deckerson

From: Thompson, Sandra [<mailto:Sandra.Thompson@detini.gov.uk>]
Sent: 04 March 2014 12:15
To: Deckerson Thomas
Cc: McCutcheon, Joanne; Hutchinson, Peter
Subject: RE: NI RHI Payments

£24k was processed on Friday (that was the amount you requested in your e-mail at 15.42 on Friday – cash request attachment) and was paid yesterday. Let us know when you know how much more you need and when – we can do a couple more top-ups if that helps.

Regards

Sandra

From: Deckerson Thomas [<mailto:Deckerson.Thomas@ofgem.gov.uk>]
Sent: 04 March 2014 10:50
To: Thompson, Sandra
Cc: McCutcheon, Joanne; Hutchinson, Peter
Subject: RE: NI RHI Payments

Hi Sandra,

I am not sure whether you have already remitted the £25K we communicated about last week.

The reason I am checking is that there has been a flurry of data approval and an additional release of £76K has been made to date. This will take the total to over £100K.

As I suggested previously, I will be monitoring the releases up until next Tuesday and a single remittance could be made to cover all what will be on the system. Payment will then be made on the 17th after which no payment will be made till April.

I think this strategy will ensure the balance at bank at the year end is Zero.

Please let me have your reaction.

Regards

From: Deckerson Thomas
Sent: 27 February 2014 12:17
To: 'Thompson, Sandra'
Cc: McCutcheon, Joanne; Hutchinson, Peter
Subject: RE: NI RHI Payments

Hi Sandra,

No problem. I am happy with whatever you decide.

Thanks

Deckerson

From: Thompson, Sandra [<mailto:Sandra.Thompson@detini.gov.uk>]
Sent: 27 February 2014 12:13
To: Deckerson Thomas
Cc: McCutcheon, Joanne; Hutchinson, Peter
Subject: RE: NI RHI Payments

Hi Deckerson – I don't have any problem with what you propose. However I am also happy (subject to Joanne/ Peter approval) to release approx £25k now to cover your immediate payments and make another final payment mid month?

Sandra

From: Deckerson Thomas [<mailto:Deckerson.Thomas@ofgem.gov.uk>]
Sent: 27 February 2014 11:48
To: Thompson, Sandra
Cc: McCutcheon, Joanne
Subject: NI RHI Payments

Hi Sandra,

I have received a total of £24,110.37 RHI Payments for processing as at today.

Presently, the balance in the account is £614.26.

Following our previous conversation regarding complying with the Ofgem/DETI framework agreement pertaining to cash balances as at the end of the financial year, I will delay the processing of these payments until we are able to determine a transfer of funds.

What I will suggest we do is to aim for just one payment on the 17th March and clear all what we have and anything that does not make that payment is paid in April after the year-end date.

If this is okay with you, I will inform you of the total that will be due for payment on the 17th, by Wednesday the 12th of March latest. This will give you a three-day head start to effect the transfer of funds. Hopefully, we will be able to run the balance at bank to £nil or close to £nil at the end of the financial year in full compliance with the provision of the agreement.

Please let me have your reaction to this.

Regards

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