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Please see attached advice and draft reply from John Mills for the attention of the Minister.

Regards,

Laura McCoy

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DEPARTMENT OF ENTERPRISE, TRADE AND INVESTMENT

URGENT - CORRESPONDENCE

Reference: COR/175/2014
Raised By: Edward Snell

Subject: RENEWABLE HEAT INCENTIVE

Referred To: MILLS JOHN (MR) (Energy Branch)

Date Referred: 10/04/2014

ACTION REQUIRED

Please provide advice and a draft reply for clearance by the Minister for PS/Signature.

To be with Private Office not later than 17/04/2014 before Close of Play

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From: John Mills
Energy Division

Date: 16 April 2014

To: 1. Andrew Crawford
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COR/175/2014: RENEWABLE HEAT INCENTIVE

Issue: Mr Edward Snell has written to the First and deputy First Minister asking about the launch of the domestic Renewable Heat Incentive. The correspondence has been passed to DETI for response.

Timing: Routine

Need for referral to the Executive: None.

Presentational Issues: None

Freedom of Information: Elements of this submission may not be discloseable at present on grounds of policy development.

Financial Implications: None.

Statutory Equality Obligations: There are no Section 75 implications.

PFG/PSA implications: None.

Legislation Implications: None.

Recommendation: A draft response to Mr Snell is attached at Annex A.

Background

Mr Edward Snell, a domestic energy user, has written to you and the First and deputy First Ministers regarding the introduction of the domestic Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) scheme. DETI has agreed to respond to Mr Snell's query.

Domestic Renewable Heat Incentive

2. The Domestic RHI launched in GB on 9th April, this has led to an increase in stakeholder queries about the proposed NI scheme. Prior to this, DECC consulted on the GB domestic RHI in September 2012 and published the final policy in July 2013.
3. DETI held a public consultation between July and October 2013 on a range of proposals to expand the current RHI to include new technologies and to support the domestic sector. The domestic RHI proposals are in the process of being finalised and will be presented to an internal casework committee shortly for approval before being submitted for your consideration. DETI would hope to launch the domestic RHI during Summer 2014

Recommendation

4. It is recommended that you respond to Mr Snell using the draft attached at **Annex A**.



JOHN MILLS
Energy Division

cc: David Sterling
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DRAFT REPLY FROM PS/MINISTER TO EDWARD SNELL

Via email: ted.snell@ Personal information redacted by the RHI Inquiry

RE: RENEWABLE HEAT INCENTIVE

Thank you for your email of 9th April 2014 to both Minister Foster and the First and deputy First Minister. As DETI has overall responsibility for the Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI), Minister Foster has considered your correspondence and asked that I provide a response.

DETI consulted on proposals to introduce a domestic RHI in Northern Ireland between July and October 2013. Following this consultation the views of stakeholders were considered and final proposals developed. These proposals are now subject to internal approval processes.

Once all necessary approvals are in place an announcement will be made outlining the design of the scheme, eligibility standards, agreed tariffs and the timetable for implementation.

Glynis Aiken

Private Secretary to the Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment