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Dear Arlene

PLANNED AMENDMENTS TO THE RENEWABLE HEAT INCENTIVE SCHEME (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS

I am writing to inform you that we are laying regulations to rectify two errors that have been identified within the non-domestic RHI regulations and to introduce an additional clause to protect applicants to the scheme from the potential tariff depression due to an error, rectifying these errors will enable us to implement the non-domestic RHI scheme as intended.

The regulations will rectify an issue within both the depression regulations that came into force 30 April 2013 and the air quality regulations that came in to force 24 September allowing the scheme to run as intended and no longer delay applicants awaiting to join the scheme. There is also an additional clause being added to protect applicants adversely affected by the issue with the air quality regulations from being exposed to a tariff depression should the regulations not be amended before 1st January.

We plan to lay the regulations to enact the policy on 28 October 2013. Subject to Parliamentary procedure, we intend the regulations will come into force 12 December 2013.