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Regards

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**FROM: JONATHAN BELL MLA**  
**DATE: 9<sup>PM</sup> NOVEMBER 2015**  
**TO: MINISTERIAL COLLEAGUES**

**RENEWABLE HEAT INCENTIVE SCHEMES (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS  
(NORTHERN IRELAND) 2015**

This is to inform you that, subject to Committee approval of the draft regulations, I propose to make a Statutory Rule to be known as the Renewable Heat Incentive Schemes (Amendment) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2015.

The purpose of the Regulations is to make changes to the RHI primarily to provide for new tariffs for Combined Heat and Power installations and to introduce cost control measures for biomass including a two tier tariff structure and an annual cap on heat payments. The Rule will prescribe matters relating to eligibility criteria and obligations for participants of the scheme.

This legislation relates solely to energy issues and does not fall within paragraph 2.4 of the Ministerial Code. The Statutory Rule is subject to draft affirmative in the Assembly.

The Scheme supports the Programme for Government commitment, "to encourage achievement of 4% renewable heat by 2015."

I am also copying this to the Attorney General and Departmental Solicitor and to the Executive Secretariat.

**JONATHAN BELL MLA**  
Minister of Enterprise, Trade and Investment