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To: [Galloway, Pamela](#); [Scott, Michelle](#)
Cc: [Morelli, Emer](#)
Subject: RE: Update on RHI
Date: 18 January 2017 13:01:51

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From: Galloway, Pamela
Sent: 18 January 2017 12:21
To: Scott, Michelle; Millar, Angela (DoF)
Cc: Morelli, Emer
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Angela

Many thanks for this. My notes of a meeting with DfE officials and DoF officials on 30 September 2015 list an action for DoF to seek clarity from HMT on the AME position for RHI. DfE was required to provide a breakdown of the Non Domestic and Domestic split. This meeting was attended by Supply, DoF Finance, (Trevor Cooper and Bernie Brankin) and DfE Policy official including John Mills.

The uncertainty with respect to the funding profile was further noted by DETI in the addendum to the business case for the scheme submitted to DoF on 21 October 2015.

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