

Fwd: to be clear is this good to go

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Statement from Dr Andrew Crawford

"As someone who worked in DETI for many years I spoke to the then DETI Special Advisor at that time about the RHI scheme. Any discussions with the DETI SPAD during the summer of 2015 would have been on the basis of my experience of the department. In discussing the matter with the DETI SPAD I would have been offering informal advice and assistance as a colleague to my successor in the department and not on behalf of the Finance Minister or the party.

However, as I pointed out to the BBC in December I did not attempt to keep the RHI scheme open at the original tariff against the wishes of the Minister. Indeed, I specifically stated on 31 July 2015 that the department, "will need to make changes from 1st October".