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Hi Jane, Edmund

Further question from John Manley at the Irish News re. multiple boilers.

A potential response could be:

“The use of multiple boilers is permitted under the regulations. The regulations require multiple boilers on the same heating system to be treated as if they were a single larger boiler for the purposes of the RHI. To determine the tariff rate, multiple boilers on the same heating system would be considered together. However this does not apply to independent boilers.

“We assess each application carefully in line with current regulations. If an application does meet the criteria laid out in the regulations, we are required to accredit them. Where we see practice that may be out of step with the policy intent we raise this with DfE, however these practices would need to be addressed by amending the regulations.”

Regards

Stuart

From: John Manley [mailto:j.manley@irishnews.com]
Sent: 04 January 2017 10:15
To: Stuart Forsyth
Subject: more RHI stuff

Hello Stuart,

I don't want to bombard you with requests on your first day back but I'd be grateful if you could help clarify something for me.

We have heard reports of claimants having three small boilers rather than one big one as this delivers more subsidy.

I have pasted a paragraph below from the explanatory note that accompanied the NI legislation and am seeking to establish whether the 'three boilers rather than one' constitutes fraud.

If it doesn't I'd be grateful if you could state why not.

Thanks in advance,

John

Risk of instances of fraud

Instances of fraud could include duplicate applications, unusual meter readings (too high for expected output), lack of information being provided to the administrator and using unregistered installers.

The Department has put in place measure to counteract instances of fraud including:

1. Assessment of applications and verification of installations and meter readings;
2. Liaison with Ofgem on instances of suspected fraud;
3. Physical verification of sites under RHPP scheme;
4. Random checks to sites and meters under RHI scheme;
5. Requirements of detailed information for each installation;
6. Use of MCS under 45kw installations; and
7. Meter readings assessed against expected output.

Where there are Instances of suspected fraud, the participant will be investigated and payments will be stopped.

From: [Stuart Forsyth](#)
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Hi John,
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