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Hi all,

Please find below a short policy update for the non-domestic RHI following our meeting on Thursday with DECC. It is worth emphasising that this information is only the latest 'intelligence' from DECC and is not official confirmation. These updates are stored on [sharepoint](#).

Phase 2 / July consultation

- **DECC have been focusing the majority of their time on dealing with challenges and issues being raised by the GSHP Association.** The Association is meeting with DECC's Minister on Monday about its concerns. In response to the ongoing 'debate' with the Association, DECC is considering reviewing the GSHP tariff earlier than previously planned.
- **DECC restated that the number one priorities for the March amendments are degression and metering.** They expect to make an official announcement in January/early Feb (*note: last update said January, so this appears to be being pushed out again*), with implementation at the end of March/early April.
- **DECC are meeting with the Minister next week to confirm timetable, which could be a three staged approach (there was not a high level of certainty around stage 2 and 3):**
 1. March Regs – degression, metering & other fixes. The following fixes may be included – DECC will be sending an email to confirm: Applicability of part 7 to previous applicants; Bioenergy as primary fuel source (<45kW boilers); Boiler oversizing; Definition of installation; Process in a building; Relocation of installations; Large biomass tariff; CHP – RO+RHI.
 2. July Regs – remainder of phase 2 changes, Biomethane, Air Quality and Biomass Sustainability, and possibly non-domestic elements of Phase 3.
 3. October/November Regs – possibly phase 3.
- **DECC expects metering regulations to be sent to us on Friday.**

Phase 3 / September consultation

- **DECC are still aiming to get the non-domestic phase 3 work implemented by July, however there is uncertainty around which elements will make it in.** Changes to deep geothermal heat, energy from waste, air to water heat pumps are expected to be in. Biogas, direct air biomass heaters, and energy efficiency are not. Regarding energy efficiency, this could be pushed back to and included in the 2014 review because of the large amount of policy work still required.

Cheers

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