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Subject: RHI Query - Concrete curing process

Michelle,

Hope you are well. Grateful if you would consider the following query that has been raised by a colleague of ours in Invest NI (our business development agency) who has been working with a client company.

They have been working with a local pre-cast concrete flooring manufacturer. The company proposes the replacement of inefficient boilers (wood & oil) with a more efficient biomass system. The proposed system will be above 100kW (around 200kW). The proposed system will allow use of biomass during unoccupied periods supplanting large oil consumption at present. The process would be for 'curing' concrete - concrete is cured by wet heating system flowing beneath concrete bed.

The issue is the concrete bed is not located within a building but outdoors and covered by a waterproof membrane after pouring – the heating process would therefore not be within a building but would be covered. They would propose the use of an insulating blanket over the concrete during the curing process.

I appreciate this is quite a technical and specific query but wanted to take your view and ask whether similar processes had been considered under the GB scheme. The main issue is the fact it is not inside a building but would be covered – it might therefore be determined by the nature of covering or any planning approvals required? Can you consider this and advise on the potential eligibility of such an application.

If you need further information let me know and I can speak to the Invest NI Client Executive working with the company in question.

Best Regards,

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