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NON-DOMESTIC RENEWABLE HEAT INCENTIVE SCHEME

FUTURE OF THE SCHEME

CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

ANSWER TEMPLATE

HOW TO RESPOND

This public consultation is open until 5pm on Friday 9 April 2021. Please respond using the question and answer template provided. If you wish to do so, please explain your answers providing reasons and any evidence or information you believe is relevant within the space provided on the template.

Your response will be most useful if it is framed in direct response to the question posed.

We encourage respondents to respond to this consultation online wherever possible as this is the Department's preferred method of receiving responses. This can be done at:

consultations.nidirect.gov.uk/dfc-rhi-task-force/nirhi-consultation-2021

Responses submitted in writing or by email will also be accepted. Should you choose to respond online, you may submit any supplementary material that you consider may be relevant and of assistance in writing or by email. Email responses to this consultation should be sent to RHIConsultation2021@economy-ni.gov.uk.

Alternatively you may post your response to the Department at:

Non-Domestic RHI Scheme Consultation
RHI Taskforce
Department for the Economy
Netherleigh
Massey Avenue
Belfast
BT4 2JP

If you require an alternative format (Braille, audio, CD, etc.), please contact the Department on RHIConsultation2021@economy-ni.gov.uk and appropriate arrangements will be made as soon as possible.

A Privacy Notice, which sets out what we process your personal data for and how we apply data protection principles is attached at Annex A.

What is your name?

What is your email address?

If you are responding on behalf of an organisation or company, please provide the name of the organisation / company.

Are you a participant of the Northern Ireland Non-Domestic RHI scheme?

Yes

No

1. Do you agree that the Non-Domestic NIRHI Scheme should be closed, as set out within the New Decade, New Approach document?

Yes

No

Don't know

If you wish to do so, please provide comments and any evidence or information you believe is relevant in support of your answer to this question within the space provided on the template.

2. Do you agree that if the Non-Domestic NIRHI Scheme is closed, compensation for its early closure should be paid to legitimate participants?

Yes

No

Don't know

If you wish to do so, please provide comments and any evidence or information you believe is relevant in support of your answer to this question within the space provided on the template.

3. Do you agree that if the Non-Domestic NIRHI Scheme is closed with compensation paid for its early closure, the proposed approach defined in Option 4 and Annex A, in terms of rationale, assumptions and quantum of payments, would be appropriate?

Yes

No

Don't know

If you wish to do so, please provide comments and any evidence or information you believe is relevant in support of your answer to this question within the space provided on the template.

4. Do you agree with the proposed criteria associated with receipt of any closure compensation payment, as set out in Section 6?

Yes

No

Don't know

If you wish to do so, please provide comments and any evidence or information you believe is relevant within the space provided on the template.

5. If the Non-Domestic NIRHI Scheme remains operational for current participants, do you believe it should operate on the basis of present tariffs (Option 1), or informed by future reviews of tariffs to ensure that the Scheme continues to appropriately incentivise generation of heat from renewable sources (Option 2)?

Option 1

Option 2

Neither

If you wish to do so, please provide comments and any evidence or information you believe is relevant within the space provided on the template.

6. Which of the options set out in this consultation document would be your preferred option for the future of the Non-Domestic NIRHI Scheme? Please select one of the following four options:

Option 1:

Scheme remains operational for current participants with present tariffs for all technologies (status quo);

Option 2:

Scheme remains operational for current participants with all tariffs subject to review as necessary;

Option 3:

Scheme closure with no further payments made to participants; or

Option 4:

Scheme closure with compensation paid to legitimate current participants.

If you wish to do so, please provide comments and any evidence or information you believe is relevant within the space provided on the template.

7. If you wish to do so, please provide any additional observations or relevant information which you consider may be of assistance to the Department.

Please identify any information which you do not wish to be disclosed and explain why you regard that information as confidential. An automatic confidentiality disclaimer generated by your IT system will not, of itself, be regarded as binding on the Department. If we receive a request for disclosure of the information we will take full account of your explanation, but we cannot give an assurance that confidentiality can be maintained in all circumstances.

ANNEX A

Privacy Notice

Data Controller Name: Department for the Economy

Address: Netherleigh, Massey Avenue, Belfast

Email: DfEMail@economy-ni.gov.uk

Why are you processing my personal information?

Personal data collected in this consultation exercise will be used for analysis and reporting of consultation responses, including publication, under the lawful basis of public task in line with access to information legislation.

What categories of personal data are you processing?

The personal data collected in this consultation exercise will consist of name, email address and any additional personal data you provide in your responses.

Where do you get my personal data from?

Information is collected from you when you complete this survey and submit your consultation response.

Do you share my personal data with anyone else?

The personal data collected in this consultation exercise will not be shared outside of the Department for the Economy unless disclosure is required under access to information legislation.

Do you transfer my personal data to other countries?

No.

How long do you keep my personal data?

The data you provide in your response will be stored on the Department's Record Management system and will be retained for seven years after the end of the consultation and destroyed in line with the Department's Retention and Disposal Schedule.

What rights do I have?

- You have the right to obtain confirmation that your data is being processed, and [access to your personal data](#)
- [You are entitled to have personal data rectified if it is inaccurate or incomplete](#)
- [You have the right to 'block' or suppress processing of personal data, in specific circumstances](#)
- [You have the right to object to the processing, in specific circumstances](#)

How do I complain if I am not happy?

If you are unhappy with how any aspect of this privacy notice, or how your personal information is being processed, please contact the Department's Data Protection Officer at:

Data Protection Officer: Bernard McCaughan

Email: DPO@economy-ni.gov.uk

If you are still not happy, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Information Commissioner's Office (ICO):

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Water Lane
Wilmslow
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