
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2022 No. 1124

**The Energy Bill Relief Scheme Pass-through Requirement
(Heat Suppliers) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2022**

Interpretation

2.—(1) In these Regulations—

“the Act” means the Energy Prices Act 2022;

[^{F1}“bill” includes a demand for a qualifying payment within section 19(5)(a)(ii) or (c)(ii) of the Act in respect of heating or hot water;]

“effect a pass-through” means pass on to an end user an amount calculated under regulation 6;

[^{F2}“end user”, in relation to an intermediary, means an end user who falls within section 19(3) (b) or (c) of the Act]

“heat network” means a network that, by distributing a liquid or a gas, enables the transfer of thermal energy for the purpose of supplying heating or hot water to a building or persons in that building;

[^{F3}“intermediary”, except in regulations 9 to 11, means a person—

- (a) who is a heat supplier within the meaning of the Metering and Billing Regulations or who otherwise supplies and charges for the supply of heating or hot water to its end users through a heat network; or
- (b) to whom an end user makes a qualifying payment within section 19(5)(a)(ii) or (c)(ii) of the Act in respect of heating or hot water,

where that person has been provided with a scheme benefit in respect of the energy used to produce the heating or hot water;]

“kWh” means kilowatt hours;

“Metering and Billing Regulations” means the Heat Network (Metering and Billing) Regulations 2014(1);

“NI EBRs Regulations” means the Energy Bill Relief Scheme (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2022(2);

“pass-through amount” is an amount calculated under regulation 6;

“pass-through requirement” is the requirement set out in regulation 5;

“scheme benefit”, in relation to the Energy Bill Relief Scheme for Non-Domestic Customers in Northern Ireland established by regulation 3 of the NI EBRs Regulations, has the meaning given in regulation 3 of these Regulations.

(2) A network is not excluded from being a heat network only by reason of its being designed to rely wholly or in part on heat pumps particular to the buildings or premises served by the network.

(1) S.I. 2014/3120, amended by S.I. 2015/855 and 2020/1221.

(2) S.I. 2022/1106.

Changes to legislation: There are currently no known outstanding effects for the The Energy Bill Relief Scheme Pass-through Requirement (Heat Suppliers) (Northern Ireland) Regulations 2022, Section 2. (See end of Document for details)

(3) References to a scheme benefit being provided to an intermediary are to be construed in accordance with regulation 3(2) and (3).

(4) An end user can also be an intermediary in respect of a scheme benefit provided to that end user and vice versa.

[^{F4}(5) In these Regulations, any reference to a heat supplier within the meaning of the Metering and Billing Regulations must be read as if the words “cooling or” were omitted from the definition of that term.]

- F1** Words in reg. 2(1) inserted (7.12.2022) by The Energy Bill Relief Scheme Pass-through Requirement (Heat Suppliers) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/1280), regs. 1(2), **11(a)(i)**
- F2** Words in reg. 2(1) substituted (7.12.2022) by The Energy Bill Relief Scheme Pass-through Requirement (Heat Suppliers) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/1280), regs. 1(2), **11(a)(ii)**
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- F4** Reg. 2(5) inserted (7.12.2022) by The Energy Bill Relief Scheme Pass-through Requirement (Heat Suppliers) (Amendment) Regulations 2022 (S.I. 2022/1280), regs. 1(2), **11(b)**

Commencement Information

- I1** Reg. 2 in force at 5.11.2022, see **reg. 1(2)**

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