

Department of Energy and Climate Change Structural Reform Plan Monthly Implementation Update	March 2011
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1) Actions due to be completed in March 2011

Section	Action	Status
1.3(iii)	Consult on improvements to Warm Front eligibility criteria to target available support at the most vulnerable in the period before the introduction of Green Deal (due to complete Mar 2011)	Complete
Milestone 1(E)	New Warm Front eligibility criteria come into force	Not complete
2.1(ii)	Consult on electricity market reforms (due to complete Mar 2011)	Complete
2.7(v)	Launch new energy dialogues with China and Brazil (due to complete Mar 2011)	Complete
4.2(ii)	Take forward the future management of the UK's civil plutonium (due to complete Mar 2011)	Complete

2) Actions due to be started by end March 2011

Section	Action	Status
3.1(ii)	Undertake analytical work to prepare for setting fourth carbon budget (due to complete Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
4.1(i)	Conduct review of environmental regulation of oil and gas exploration in the light of the Gulf of Mexico spill (due to complete Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
2.1(vii)	Undertake work to improve the resilience of the energy system, including flood protection at key electricity sites, through the Energy Sector Resilience Plan (due to complete Mar 2012)	Work ongoing
2.4(ii)	Run process to identify further CCS projects to be supported by public investment (due to complete May 2012)	Work ongoing
1.2(ii)	Analyse smart meter consultation responses and develop plan for subsequent phases of the programme (due to complete Apr 2011)	Work started
1.2 (iii)	Subject to [smart meter] consultation, publish detailed implementation plan leading to full roll out beginning in summer 2012 (due to complete Apr 2011)	Work started
2.2(iv)	Work with the Department for Communities and Local Government to allow communities that host renewable energy projects to keep the additional business rates they generate (due to complete Apr 2011)	Work started
3.4(ii)	Use the Advisory Group on Climate Finance proposals (to raise \$100bn by 2020) to drive international agreement on innovative sources of finance for climate change (due to complete Dec 2012)	Work ongoing
2.3 (ii)	Complete Order and Regulations for financing of waste and decommissioning associated with new nuclear build (due to complete Apr 2011)	Work Started
3.4(iv)	Develop further detail on how UK fast-start funding will be deployed (due to complete Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
4.3(iii)	Develop UK-led Nuclear Fuel Assurance proposal to International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Board (due to complete Jun 2011)	Work ongoing

1.1(ii)	As part of the Green Deal design provisions in primary legislation for a new obligation on energy companies to support energy efficiency measures for their customers, to succeed the Carbon Emissions Reduction Target which supports vulnerable low income consumers and hard-to-treat homes (due to complete Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
1.1(iii)	Develop policies to increase demand for the Green Deal, alongside core finance offer (due to complete Oct 2012)	Work ongoing
1.1(iv)	Work with potential providers to facilitate early precursor offers to the Green Deal (due to complete Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
1.1(vi)	Develop accreditation process to ensure public confidence in Green Deal measures (due to complete Sep 2011)	Work ongoing
1.2(iv)	Subject to consultation, work with industry to confirm technical specifications and begin roll out of smart meters across Britain (due to complete Jul 2012)	Work ongoing
1.4(i)a	Monitor all departments' implementation plans on a monthly basis, to reduce central government's emissions by 10% in twelve months (due to complete May 2011)	Work ongoing
1.4(i)b	Publish emissions data online, including real time energy use from central government building headquarters (due to complete May 2011)	Work ongoing
1.4(ii)	Agree a stretching and cost-effective level of ambition for longer-term reductions in government and public sector emissions, including potential targets and incentives (due to complete Jul 2011)	Work ongoing
2.1(iv)	Review the role of Ofgem in delivering government's aims for independent regulation of the energy sector (due to complete May 2011)	Work ongoing
2.1(v)	Work with HMT on the reform of the Climate Change Levy to help support the carbon price, with legislation brought forward by HMT in the Finance Bill 2011 as appropriate (due to complete Apr 2011)	Work started
2.1(vi)	Submit energy National Policy Statements (making the case for new energy infrastructure) to Parliament for ratification (due to complete May 2011)	Work ongoing
2.2(ii)	Develop regulations for new Renewable Heat Incentive scheme to provide financial support for renewable heat, and lay before Parliament (due to complete Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
2.2(vi)	Conduct four-yearly review of Renewables Obligation (RO) Banding (levels of financial support for different technologies) to ensure that the RO provides the correct level of support to maintain investment in large-scale renewable energy generation (due to complete Apr 2013)	Work ongoing
2.3(i)	Seek Parliamentary approval of regulatory justification decision on whether the economic, social and other benefits of new radioactive practices (such as nuclear power stations) outweigh potential detriment to health (due to complete Dec 2010)	Work ongoing
2.5(i)	Work with industry to develop a framework for smart grid standards (due to complete Dec 2010)	Work ongoing
2.5(ii)	As part of the Electricity Market White Paper, set out a strategy for future electricity networks to increase efficiency and reliability of the network; enable flexible demand management and the use of electric vehicles; and support integration of more local and wind-powered generation (due to complete Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
2.6(i)	Design National Policy Statements with clear and effective guidance on onshore grid infrastructure to enable network development to take place in an environmentally sustainable and timely manner (due to complete May 2011)	Work ongoing

2.7(i)	Agree action plan for cooperation with Norway on oil and gas, CCS and renewables (due to complete Dec 2011)	Work ongoing
1.3(ii)	Lay regulations on Social Price Support scheme before Parliament (due to complete April 2011)	Complete
2.7(iv)	Re-prioritise the work of the International Energy Agency at the ministerial meeting to increase focus on low carbon technologies and non-members (due to complete Oct 2011)	Work ongoing
2.7(vi)	Secure multi-country and business commitments on overcoming the barriers to deployment of CCS at the Clean Energy Ministerial to be held in Abu Dhabi (due to complete Apr 2011)	Work started
3.2	Work with the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS) to establish a Green Investment Bank to support private investment in clean energy and green technologies (due to complete Sep 2012)	Work ongoing
3.3(i)	Build support for the increase in the EU emissions reduction target to 30% by 2020 (due to complete Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
3.3(ii)	Agree policy on benchmarking/free allocation of carbon emission allowances and feed into interim EU decisions (due to complete Dec 2010)	Work ongoing
3.3(iii)	Agree a European Energy Action Plan, which includes a framework for investment in low carbon infrastructure within the EU (due to complete Dec 2011)	Work ongoing
3.3(iv)	Drive efforts within the EU to amend the Emission Trading Scheme Directive to deliver full auctioning of allowances (due to complete May 2015)	Work ongoing
3.4(i)	Design a new international Green Fund with international partners (due to complete Dec 2011)	Work ongoing
3.4(v)	Establish the Capital Markets Climate Initiative to use private sector expertise to test new and innovative instruments for leveraging private finance to tackle climate change in developing countries (due to complete Dec 2012)	Work ongoing
3.5(i)	Deliver £300 million of UK fast-start finance to reduce emissions from deforestation (due to complete Dec 2012)	Work ongoing
4.1(i)	Complete the competition for the management of the Dounreay site (due to complete Mar 2012)	Work ongoing
4.1(ii)	Complete removal of fuel from Sizewell A site (due to complete Mar 2013)	Work ongoing
4.1(iii)	Achieve major milestones on high hazard ponds and silos at Sellafield, including the installation of retrieval infrastructure in pond B30 (due to complete Mar 2014)	Work ongoing
4.1(iv)	Put at least one Magnox station into effective care and maintenance (due to complete Mar 2015)	Work ongoing
4.2(i)	Implement the EU Nuclear Safety Directive (due to complete Jul 2011)	Work ongoing
4.3(i)	Complete policing strategy for Critical National Infrastructure and civil nuclear sites (due to complete Dec 2010)	Work ongoing
4.3(ii)	Complete risk assessment of safety and security at civil nuclear sites (due to complete Aug 2011)	Work ongoing

4.4 (i)	Conduct review of environmental regulation of oil and gas exploration in the light of Gulf of Mexico spill (due to complete Apr 2011)	Work started
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3) Explanation of missed deadlines

In March 2011 the following deadline was missed:

Deadline missed	Comments
Milestone 1(E) New Warm Front eligibility criteria come into force	Draft regulations were laid in March. Warm Front Scheme was due to close in December 2010 but a decision was made to keep it open two weeks longer due to the cold weather. This extension has delayed delivery by up to two weeks and therefore this milestone is now due to complete mid-April 2011.

The status of missed deadlines from previous reports is:

Deadline missed	Status	Comments
Complete policing strategy for Critical National Infrastructure and civil nuclear sites	Still not complete	The scope of this workstream has been broadened to include the policing of other, non civil nuclear sites. The Policing strategy for critical national infrastructure and nuclear sites is a National Security Council Nuclear sub-Committee workstream, led by the Home Office with contributions from DECC and the MoD. The estimated completion date for the production of the Strategy is April 2011.