

<b>Department of Energy and Climate Change</b> <b>Structural Reform Plan Monthly Implementation Update</b>	<b>December</b> <b>2010</b>
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**(1) Actions due to be completed in December 2010**

<b>Action</b>	<b>Status</b>
Introduce Energy Security and Green Economy Bill in Parliament to create powers to support the Green Deal, including the new energy company obligation	Complete
Publish gas market reform, via the Energy Security and Green Economy Bill, strengthening the market mechanism for ensuring that sufficient gas is available	Complete
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	Complete
Work with industry to develop a framework for smart grid standards	Complete
Agree policy on benchmarking/free allocation of carbon emission allowances and feed into interim EU decisions	Complete
Work through the EU at the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change in Cancun (COP 16) to agree a balanced package of decisions that incorporates existing developed and developing country commitments, agree approaches to reporting emissions and activities to reduce them, and which builds momentum towards a global deal	Complete
Complete policing strategy for Critical National Infrastructure and civil nuclear sites	Not complete

**(2) Actions due to be started by end December 2010**

<b>Action</b>	<b>Status</b>
Consult on the structure of a Social Price Support scheme to require energy companies to help vulnerable households with their bill costs (due to complete Jan 2011)	Work started
Consult on electricity market reforms (due to complete Mar 2011)	Work started
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 started
Run process to identify further CCS projects to be supported by public investment (due to complete May 2012)	Work started

Analyse smart meter consultation responses and develop plan for subsequent phases of the programme (due to complete Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
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 ongoing
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
Develop further detail on how UK fast-start funding will be deployed (due to complete Apr 2011)	Work ongoing
Develop UK-led Nuclear Fuel Assurance proposal to International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Board (due to complete Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
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
Develop policies to increase demand for the Green Deal, alongside core finance offer (due to complete Oct 2012)	Work ongoing
Work with potential providers to facilitate early precursor offers to the Green Deal (due to complete Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
Develop accreditation process to ensure public confidence in Green Deal measures (due to complete Sep 2011)	Work ongoing
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
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)	Work ongoing
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
Publish emissions data online, including real time energy use from central government building headquarters (due to complete May 2011)	Work ongoing
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

Review the role of Ofgem in delivering government's aims for independent regulation of the energy sector (due to complete May 2011)	Work ongoing
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 ongoing
Submit energy National Policy Statements (making the case for new energy infrastructure) to Parliament for ratification (due to complete May 2011)	Work ongoing
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
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
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
Work with industry to develop a framework for smart grid standards (due to complete Dec 2010)	Work ongoing
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
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
Agree action plan for cooperation with Norway on oil and gas, CCS and renewables (due to complete Dec 2011)	Work ongoing
Agree new energy charter to improve oil price stability at the International Energy Forum (due to complete Feb 2011)	Work ongoing
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
Launch new energy dialogues with China and Brazil (due to complete Mar 2011)	Work ongoing
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 ongoing

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
Build support for the increase in the EU emissions reduction target to 30% by 2020 (due to complete Jun 2011)	Work ongoing
Agree policy on benchmarking/free allocation of carbon emission allowances and feed into interim EU decisions (due to complete Dec 2010)	Work ongoing
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
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
Design a new international Green Fund with international partners (due to complete Dec 2011)	Work ongoing
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
Deliver £300 million of UK fast-start finance to reduce emissions from deforestation (due to complete Dec 2012)	Work ongoing
Complete the competition for the management of the Dounreay site (due to complete Mar 2012)	Work ongoing
Complete removal of fuel from Sizewell A site (due to complete Mar 2013)	Work ongoing
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
Put at least one Magnox station into effective care and maintenance (due to complete Mar 2015)	Work ongoing
Implement the EU Nuclear Safety Directive (due to complete Jul 2011)	Work ongoing
Take forward the future management of the UK's civil plutonium (due to complete Mar 2011)	Work ongoing
Complete policing strategy for Critical National Infrastructure and civil nuclear sites (due to complete Dec 2010)	Work ongoing
Complete risk assessment of safety and security at civil nuclear sites (due to complete Aug 2011)	Work ongoing

### (3) Explanation of missed deadlines

In December 2010, DECC missed the following deadline in its Structural Reform Plan:

<b>Deadline missed</b>	<b>Reason</b>
Complete policing strategy for Critical National Infrastructure and civil nuclear sites	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.