



Overview and Interactions of Fiscal Benefits for GQCHP

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Fiscal Measures and GQCHP

Existing measures:

- CCL Exemption (on fuel input and electricity output where directly supplied)
- Business Rates Exemption (embedded schemes)
- Hydrocarbon Oil Duty Relief
- CRC-no emissions attributed to heat from CHP (Zero Carbon Heat)
- Carbon Allocation for Heat under EU-ETS Phase III
- Enhanced Capital Allowance
- 1ROC/MWh of electricity from EfW CHP, 2 ROCs/MWh for dedicated biomass CHP (April 2009)
- CPS:-
 - Schemes > 2 MWe:- Exemption to fuel for heat
 - Schemes ≤ 2 MWe:- Full exemption from CPS

New measures:

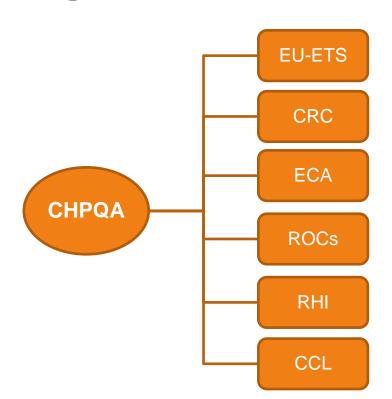
- RHI-Proposal to replace RO CHP uplift with specific tariffs for biomass & bioliquid fuelled GQCHP
- CfD and exemption from the Biomass Cap





Talk Coverage

- EU-ETS Phase III allocations
- CRC: New simplified arrangements
- > ECA: Clarification only
- > ROCs: 2013-2017 regime
- RHI: GQCHP benefits under Phase II
- CCL: LECs withdrawal and CPS

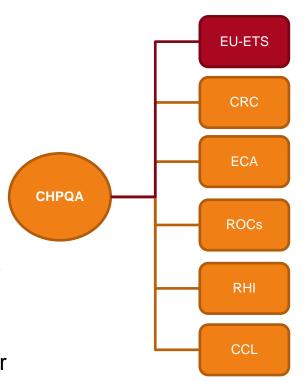






EU-ETS Phase III

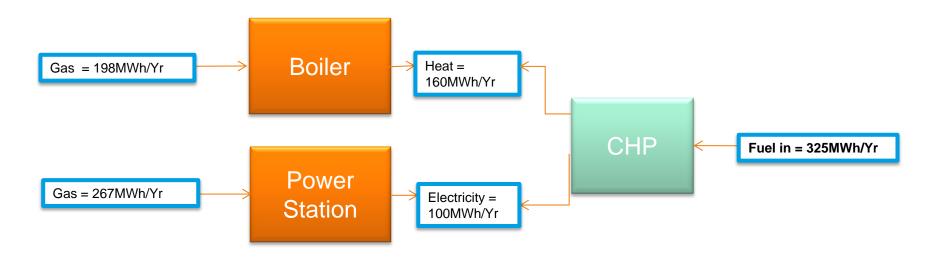
- Started January 2013,
- Broadening of the "Combustion" definition to include:
 - All types of boilers, burners, heaters, furnaces, incinerators, dryers.
- The 20MW thermal threshold continues to apply
- Catches large stand alone CHP Schemes
- Also catches smaller CHP schemes embedded within an energy intensive users site
- No allocation to Electricity Generators (operators have to purchase allowances)
- Allocation to heat decreases over time
- Two methods for allocations are used; <u>Product</u> or <u>Heat benchmark</u> allocation
- Likely to make investment in CHP more attractive, when compared with the alternatives



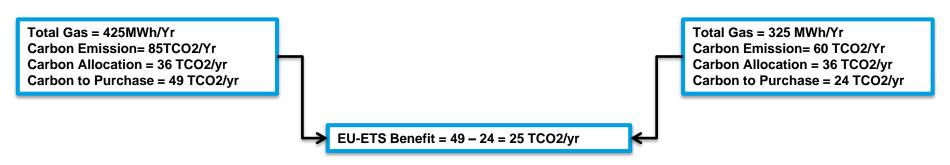


EU-ETS Phase III





Savings from CHP:

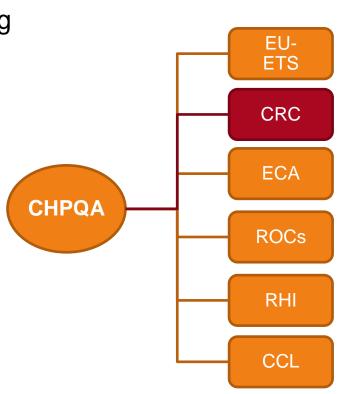






CRC Energy Efficiency Scheme (CRC)

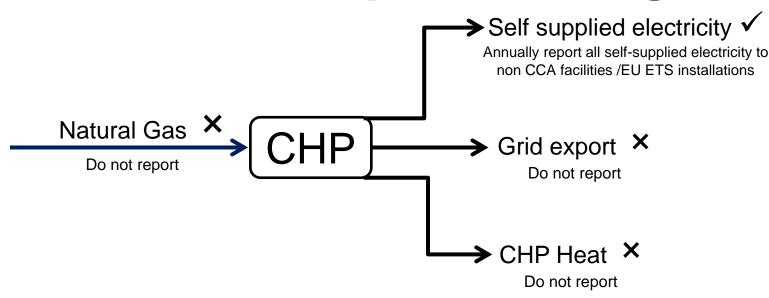
- Captures emissions not covered by existing measures such as EU ETS and CCAs
- A mandatory CO2 emissions trading scheme affecting large non-energy intensive businesses and public sector organisations
- ➤ Began in April 2010
- Applicable to organisations with total electricity consumption > 6,000 MWh/y (based on half hourly meters).
- Simplified arrangements from 2012 onwards







CRC- Current simplified arrangements



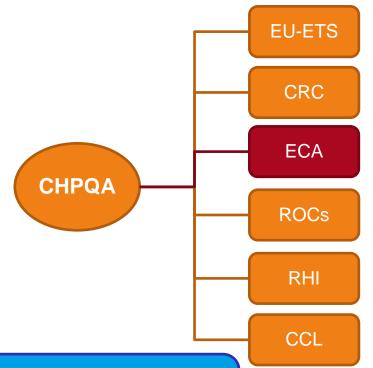
- CHP at EU-ETS or CCA installations.... Is out of CRC
- > CHP at non-ETS/CCA ... Only electricity used on site to be reported
- Makes it very simple but still fair
- For Renewable generation. If ROCs are claimed then electricity must be reported as an import at the grid electricity factor
- Incentivising higher electrical efficiency and heat recovery





CHP ECA Eligibility

- CHP scheme operators need to demonstrate that they comply with the following eligibility criteria:
 - that applicant's main business is not the production of electricity for sale to unknown end users
 - that applicant is not a subsidiary of a company group where the core business of that group is electricity production



- ➤ This is likely to impact on renewable schemes sized for exporting electricity that intend to sell the majority of their electricity to the grid
- Further information will be required on ownership and revenue streams





ECA Process

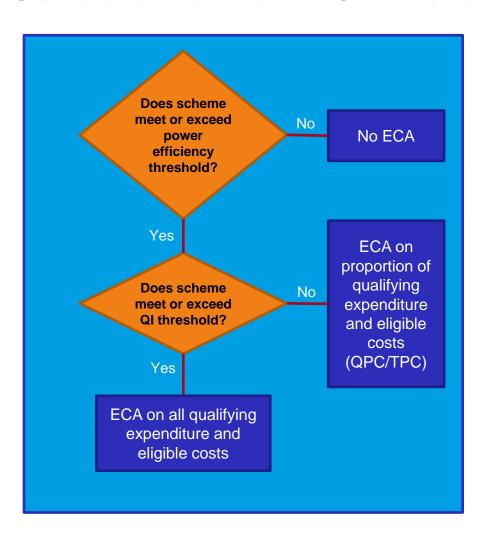
- Scheme specific: no type approval/product certification route
- Applicants must identify heat load
- This need to meet the "Useful Heat" definition
- Need to obtain a Certificate of Energy Efficiency (Combined Heat and Power) – also known as an Energy Efficiency (EE) Certificate
- EE Certificate is issued by DECC

A CHPQA Certificate is required to obtain an EE Certificate





Calculation of ECA value to a CHP Scheme



Power Efficiency Threshold

- 20% for conventional fuels
- 10% for wholly biomass or solid/liquid waste
- Between 20% and 10% for partly biomass or solid/liquid waste (dependent on fuel mix)

Quality Index (QI) Threshold

≥105 under MaxHeat conditions





Non compliant schemes

Certificate will be revoked:

- If the original design has changed after certification and a new EE certificate has not been obtained from CHPQA, or
- If no heat customers present at time of commissioning (i.e. not operating as CHP)

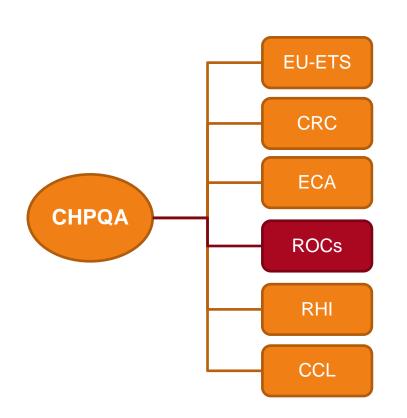
If certificate is revoked, applicant will have to contact HMRC to return any claimed benefits





CHP & ROCs

- Current arrangement:
- ➤ Increased the level of support (ROCs/MWh) available to GQCHP fuelled by biomass from 1st April 2009 to 2.0 ROCs/MWh (0.5 ROC uplift)
- 1.0 ROC/MWh for waste-fuelled Good Quality CHP
- 1.0 ROC for Co-fired CHP



Only for schemes certified as GQ CHP





Latest RO Review for 2013-2017

- ➤ The 0.5 ROC CHP uplift will continue to be available for plant accredited up to March 2015
- Between April 2013 and March 2015, operators will have a one-off choice between claiming the RO CHP uplift or the RHI
- The CHP uplift will be grandfathered but operators will still need to retain annual certification with CHPQA
- Support for EfW CHP will remain at 1 ROC until March 2017 - EfW CHP under RO cannot claim RHI
- ➤ The upper limit for RO support will reduce from 2 ROCs to 1.9 ROCs for 2015/16 new accreditations and 1.8 ROCs for 2016/17 new accreditations





RO Dedicated Biomass Cap

- In December 2012, DECC announced their intention to introduce a cap on new <u>dedicated biomass</u> generating capacity benefitting from the RO grandfathering policy
- The cap is set at 400MW_e of new capacity
- Projects will need to apply to DECC to secure a place within the cap
 - Applicants will need to provide supporting declarations and evidence
- Notification process opened on 21st August 2013 for priority applications and 11th September 2013 for other projects
- Projects accredited before 21st August 2013 are exempt from the cap
- > 73.5MW_e of capacity has been allocated so far

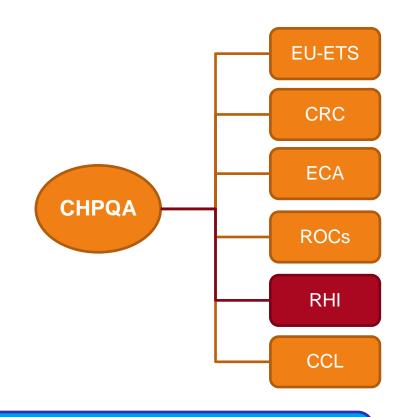
New dedicated biomass with CHP will not be subject to this cap





Renewable Heat Incentive

- Non-domestic scheme launched in November 2011
- Provides support for variety of renewable heat technologies, including
 - Biomass (including biomass in MSW)
 - Biogas
 - Geothermal
- Support extends to eligible heat-only and CHP installations
- Currently at 1.0 P/kWh for schemes > 1 MW in capacity
- CHP must have been commissioned or converted to CHP operation on/after 15th July 2009



- Current band for large biomass schemes (>1MW_{th}) is £10/MWh)
- CHP cannot claim both RHI support and CHP uplift under the RO





RHI Expansion

In 2012/2013 DECC Consulted on the expansion of the Non-Domestic Scheme

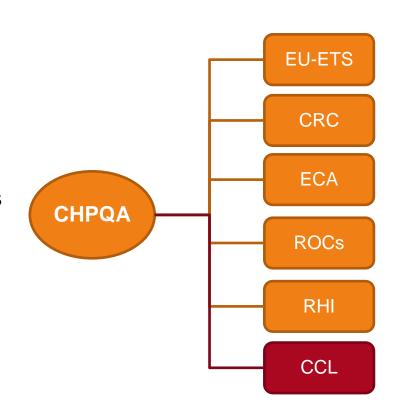
- Proposal to provide specific tariffs for biomass and bio-liquid fuelled GQCHP
 - Proposed tariff for large biomass CHP is 4.1p/kWh (compared to 1p/kWh for large-scale biomass boilers)
 - Bioliquid will only be supported under RHI when used in GQCHP
- Further details later......





CHP LECs - Post 2013

- CCL exemption on exported electricity from GQCHP was granted by the issue of LECs
- The LECs benefit was subject to EU State Aid approval, which expired at the end of March 2013
- Withdrawal of LECs does not affect schemes exporting electricity to known parties (direct supply)
- Schemes that are likely to have been affected:
 - 20 schemes with capacity greater than 50MW_e
 - About 59 schemes with capacity between 5-50 MW_e
 - Several smaller schemes ~ 75
 - In addition over 200 foreign schemes are certified by CHPQA, and were receiving LECs







CCL and **CPS**

- Government has introduced a floor price for carbon to stabilise price signals to investors in low carbon technologies
- CPS rates came into effect from 1 April 2013
- ➤ GQCHP certified with CHPQA are exempt from CPS rates on fuel that is attributable to the scheme's "Qualified Heat Output (QHO)"

Full presentation later





To summarise...

To obtain any of the fiscal benefits available for GQCHP the Scheme must be certified by CHPQA and must have a valid Certificate

Submission any time from 1 Jan 2014

Thank You