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Review of energy standards within Scottish Building Regulations - section 6 (energy). New and amended guidance which is considered to be de facto technical regulations under the Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (as amended).

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No abre el plazo - Nezahtuje odklady - Fristerne indledes ikke - Kein Fristbeginn - Viivituste perioodi ei avata - Καμμία έναρξη προθεσμίας - Does not open the delays - N'ouvre pas de délais - Non fa decorrere la mora - Neietekmē atlikšanu - Atidėjimai nepradedami - Nem nyitja meg a késésket - Ma' jiftaħ il-perijodi ta' dawmien - Geen termijnbegin - Nie otwiera opóźnień - Nao inicia o prazo - Neotvorí oneskorenia - Ne uvaja zamud - Määräaika ei ala tästä - Inleder ingen frist - Не се предвижда период на прекъсване - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare - Nu deschide perioadele de stagnare.

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1. Structured Information Line

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2. Member State

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

The Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 provide for the health, safety, welfare and convenience of those in and around buildings, the conservation of fuel and power and the furthering of sustainable development. They set technical and procedural requirements for those carrying out building work. Therefore this notification has relevance for services relating to the design and construction of buildings and to products use in the construction of new buildings on within new work carried out to existing buildings insofar as such services or products have a material impact upon the energy performance of the building works in question.

7. Notification Under Another Act

- Note that within the document setting our proposed revisions to technical guidance (guidance to standards 6.3 to 6.6), reference is made to guidance in both the Domestic and Non-domestic Building Services Compliance Guides published by the UK Department for Communities and Local Government in support of building regulations in England. Previously, information from these guides was extracted and presented within the Scottish document. Provisions relevant to application of these guidance documents in the UK are already notified to the commission by UK Department for Communities and Local Government. Reference for their previous notification: 2012/0099/UK - Changes to Part L (Conservation of fuel and power) of the Building Regulations.

8. Main Content

Guidance on ways of meeting the functional requirements of the Building (Scotland) Regulations 2004 are provided in the Domestic and Non-domestic Technical handbooks published by the Building Standards Division of the Scottish Government.

Draft regulation and supporting amended guidance text in the Domestic and Non-domestic Technical Handbooks (proposed for January 2014 edition) on the following subjects which address the carbon and energy performance of new buildings and of work carried out to existing buildings:

- Carbon dioxide emissions targets for new buildings;
- Performance of building insulation envelope for new buildings and new building work;
- Performance of fixed building services;
- Insulation of pipes, duct and vessels within heating, cooling and ventilation systems;
- Commissioning of fixed building services'



- Provision of information of fixed building services to building owners; and
- Metering of energy use within buildings

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The Scottish Government has a commitment to review energy standards set by building regulations in support of national targets to reduce energy use and greenhouse gas emissions under the Climate Change (Scotland) Act 2009. Additionally, under Article 4 of Directive 2010/31/EU, Scotland, as part of the UK, is required to review minimum energy performance requirements set for buildings at regular intervals which shall not be longer than five years and, if necessary, update requirements in order to reflect technical progress in the building sector.

The enclosed documents introduce proposed improvement to energy standards for new building and new building work in response to both of these provisions.

Proposals, which are amendments within a current system of regulation, contain prescription which sets expected minimum levels of energy performance for new buildings (calculated on the basis of carbon emissions) and for elements of building fabric and services in both new buildings and where building work is carried out in existing buildings. Proposals are made on the basis that the levels of performance sought are readily achievable through the use of construction products which are currently widely available to the market.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

No Basic Text exists

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

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13. Confidentiality

No

14. Fiscal measures

No

15. Impact assessment

Yes

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT aspect

No - The draft has no significant impact on international trade

SPS aspect



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Single Market for goods
Prevention of Technical Barriers

No - The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure

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