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UK News

UK BSI PAS 110 - Specification for digestate new update

The publicly-available specification (PAS) BSI PAS 110 creates an industry specification against which producers can verify that they are of consistent quality and fit for purpose. It covers all anaerobic digestion (AD) systems that accept source-segregated biowastes. It specifies controls on input materials and the management of AD as well as the minimum quality of whole digestate, separated fiber and separated liquor

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U.K. DECC annual energy statement addresses bioenergy

By 2020, the report predicts biomass could provide the equivalent of 10 percent of the nation's current power supply, which is enough to power approximately 8 million homes. Anaerobic digestion provided 707 GWh of electricity to the U.K. grid last year, a 208 GWh increase from 2012. Overall, biomass and waste accounted for 4 percent of inland energy consumption in the U.K. during 2013.

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UK energy statistics: Gas power increases, renewables cover nuclear shortfall

The UK's gas generation increased significantly from July through September 2014 compared to the three months before, as gas prices continued to fall. At the same time, a slight increase in renewable generation helped to cover a power gap left by the unexpected closure of two nuclear power plants in August. Gas accounted for 38 per cent of the UK's electricity generation in the third quarter, eight per cent more than in the previous three months, and 12 per cent more than at the same point a year ago.

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New UK biomethane tariffs in force from 12th February 2015

A new tiered tariff structure to the biomethane injection to grid tariff based around three tiers: 7.5p for the first 40,000 MWh injected into the grid (tier 1), 4.4p for the next 40,000 MWh (tier 2) and 3.4p for any subsequent biomethane injected over a period of 12 months from the date of registration. The tariffs have been modelled based on a feedstock mix of 70% unpackaged food waste and 30% energy crop.

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U.K. DECC increases CfD budget for less established technologies

DECC has increased the budget for new Contracts for Difference. Pot 1 includes established technologies, such as landfill gas and sewage gas. Pot 2 with a budget of £ 260m includes less established technologies, such as anaerobic digestion.

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