

Welcome to issue 5 of the Energy Savings Opportunity Scheme (ESOS) newsletter. Here we aim to keep you updated with any changes or updates for the ESOS Scheme or matters of potential interest to ESOS stakeholders.

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ESOS case studies and examples

A number of case studies and examples of ESOS implementation have recently been published. These may be useful to other organisations in determining how to meet the scheme's requirements and illustrating its potential benefits.

The UK Emissions Trading Group have produced [case studies](#) to show the approaches that two of their members - SLR Consulting and CEMEX - have taken towards ESOS compliance. These case studies have been reviewed by the Environment Agency and we have given our overall thoughts on the approaches taken and evidence collated for these ESOS assessments.

DECC have produced a [blog](#) documenting the experience of another company - Whitbread - as they prepare for compliance with ESOS.

One of the first organisations to notify the Environment Agency of their compliance - Keepmoat Limited - has also produced a [summary](#) of their approach to ESOS.

ESOS enforcement approach due out soon

The legal deadline for ESOS compliance is 5 December 2015, as specified by the ESOS Regulations 2014 and the EU Energy Efficiency Directive. Qualifying organisations that do not complete an assessment and notification by this date will be in breach of the regulations.

The regulations set out penalties for non-compliance but also allow us to waive or modify the enforcement action where appropriate. We are therefore developing an enforcement approach to set out how we intend to deal with breaches for the first compliance period. We expect to publish this in the next few weeks, as an extension to our existing [Enforcement and Sanctions Guidance](#).

We will circulate more details of the approach in a further newsletter when it is published. In summary, our main focus in response to breaches of the regulations will be to bring organisations into compliance. Any serious breaches against which we are considering imposing penalties will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. As such, we would urge participants to start complying as soon as possible if they have not already done so.