

Welcome to the Energy Savings Opportunity Scheme (ESOS) newsletter. Here we aim to keep you updated with information on the ESOS Scheme.

Newsletters will be sent out via email when there is new information to be communicated.

This newsletter is the first one since the deadline passed and is now being sent to primary contacts, secondary contacts and lead assessors on the notifications of compliance and intent to comply notifications, as well as those that have contacted our ESOS helpdesk. If you wish to be removed from the mailing list for future communications please [click here](#).

### Useful Links

[ESOS Guidance](#)

[ESOS Website](#)

[ESOS Compliance Notification](#)

[Intent to Comply Notification](#)

[Approaches to ESOS audits](#)

[A Guide to Implementing Energy Savings Opportunities](#)

### Contact Us

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## ESOS Implementation Guide

The Carbon Trust (on behalf of DECC) has produced a [guide](#) for organisations that have completed an ESOS assessment and want to make the most of the identified energy saving opportunities. It will give businesses an overview of the next steps they can take to maximise the impact and return on investment of their ESOS assessments. DECC's analysis suggests businesses could save over £250m (and 3TWh of energy) per year if they achieve just 5% of the cost-effective energy efficiency potential identified for buildings and industrial processes, plus modest savings from transport energy consumption.

The guide is particularly aimed at organisations that have little experience in implementing energy saving projects and may lack a dedicated energy

manager. It may also be of interest to organisations that have identified energy saving opportunities independently of ESOS.

## ESOS Notifications by 5 December 2015

We were pleased that by the compliance deadline of 5 December 2015 around 6,500 organisations had notified us that they had either complied (4,000) or intended to comply (2,500) with ESOS. We've also had some good feedback on the benefits that ESOS assessments can bring.

We'd like to thank everyone who has complied for all their hard work on a scheme that stands to help both UK businesses and the environment. Our focus is now on bringing the remaining organisations into ESOS so that the benefits of the scheme are fully realised.

## Letters to those we haven't heard from

We have recently written to all of the corporate groups from whom we have not yet received notifications, but that we believe qualify, to remind them of the need to implement the scheme, its benefits, and the risk of enforcement action.

Organisations covered by ESOS that receive one of these letters should take immediate action by submitting a [notification of compliance](#), or by notifying their [intent to comply](#) and progressing their steps to implement ESOS.

Don't worry if your company receives one of these letters but you know it has already complied. It may just be that the information we hold did not allow us to fully determine which companies are covered by a wider corporate group that has met its ESOS requirements. If your organisation receives a letter but has already complied please email us at [esos@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:esos@environment-agency.gov.uk) with the name under which the group's notification was made and the reference number from the letter.

Similarly, organisations that receive letters but have determined they are not covered by ESOS are asked to confirm that they do not qualify at this

[link](#). This will allow us to remove them from our list of organisations needing to come into compliance.

## ESOS Data Publication

In February we will be publishing information from each of the notifications of compliance received by 29 January 2016. This will not include the personal data of the primary contact, secondary contact, lead assessor, or board directors. All other fields will be published under the Government's 'Open Data' policy. We will send a newsletter when this information has been published.

## ESOS Showcase: Case studies sought

UK Green Building Council (UK-GBC) is asking for case studies for an upcoming “[ESOS Showcase](#)” event in March. They are looking for examples of where ESOS audits have been done extensively (and with interesting/unexpected results) and/or where these findings have been developed into plans for action on the ground.

They will be looking to publicise a selection of the best of these case studies during speaking slots at the event, with a wider range included in a showcase publication (possibly electronic) that will be published after the event.

If you would like to put forward your company as a case study, please contact [Rich Griffiths](#) at UK-GBC with a summary of the key points by Friday 29 January.