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New report will quantify future UK biomass market

A new report, which will be launched at this year's Cereals event on 9th June 2010, will provide the most comprehensive assessment of the potential scale of the UK biomass-to-electricity market over the next five years.

Recent press reports by Drax, one of the major players in the UK biomass market, have left many potential fuel suppliers uncertain of the potential for expansion after the operator of the country's largest power station expressed concerns about government policy towards biomass subsidies. The new **Directory of UK Biomass Power Plants 2010** will help put these comments into context.

The new report is the most comprehensive survey of large scale developments in the country which has been published so far, and is set to become an essential reference tool for developers, investors, fuel suppliers and others with an interest in biomass supply chains.

Including entries for all publicly announced and operation power plants (over 2 megawatts in capacity) using biomass as a fuel, the Directory includes entries for dedicated biomass plants, large co-firing units, such as Drax in Yorkshire, and Energy-from-Waste facilities.

As well as information on predicted feedstock requirements, the report includes information on registration under the Renewables Obligation, up-to-date information on product status and maps the location of plants around the country.

The report, which has taken more than six months to compile, has been put together by leading bioenergy information service Enagri. "There have been other attempts to do something similar," says Enagri's Managing Director Richard Crowhurst. "The most recent has been the study by John Clegg for the Confederation of Forest Industries looking at the demand for wood fibre

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up to 2025. However, having spent months analysing all the major schemes, we feel that no-one has a full appreciation of this market yet.

“Certainly our conversations with plant developers tell us that this will be the first time that this information has been put together in this form and we anticipate that this will become the point of reference for the UK biomass market. With an industry that could be worth as much as £4 billion a year, there will be opportunities for operators at all scales, including the production and supply of energy crops and agricultural by-products.”

Further Information

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Information for Editors

- Enagri is a leading information service for the whole bioenergy sector, supplying news, information and consultancy services to everyone from farmers and feedstock producers to project developers and multinational energy firms.
- Enagri offers a comprehensive range of subscription and bespoke products, all of which will be available for inspection at Cereals.
- The Directory of UK Biomass Power Plants 2010 provides information on every operating and planned dedicated biomass, co-firing and energy-from-waste plant, which is in the public domain and has a capacity of more than 2 megawatts, in the United Kingdom.
- Information given for each plant includes project cost, development status, feedstock requirement, historical ROC data, location and more.
- As well as information on individual plants, the report contains maps, commentary and summary tables and charts showing feedstock requirements, size of plant, etc.
- The Directory of UK Biomass Power Plants 2010 will be officially launched at Cereals 2010 and discounted copies will be on sale.