

ELMHURST DEVELOPS FIRST ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE ACCREDITATION SCHEME

Elmhurst Energy Systems Ltd is pleased to announce that it is in formal discussions with the Government (Department for Communities and Local Government) to launch an independent accreditation scheme to deliver Energy Performance Certificates (EPC) in the domestic market.

The scheme will enable EPC's to be produced as required by the EU Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD) for all domestic markets including dwellings on completion of construction, point of sale, and the rental sectors. The scheme will be significantly streamlined and more cost effective compared to 'Home Inspector' schemes by virtue of focussing solely on EPC delivery.

Elmhurst Energy Systems Ltd is currently one of only three Government authorised energy rating companies and has an unrivalled reputation and experience in the provision of energy rating software, training and accreditation and is therefore simply the natural progression of Elmhurst's existing operations to assist the implementation of the EPBD.

The new accreditation scheme coupled with Elmhurst's existing energy rating software and large group of experienced energy assessors mean that significant capacity to deliver is now assured for the 1st of June 2007.

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Partnerships with other industry organisations mean that Elmhurst will also be able to offer the full range of training, qualifications, insurance, technology and route to market needed to get involved in the energy rating business. Indeed this process is already underway as candidates have commenced the process of becoming energy assessors and future instructions from the major Home Information Pack (HIP) providers have already been secured.

For further information contact Elmhurst Energy Systems Ltd or visit our website www.elmhurstenergy.co.uk

Information For Editors:

About Elmhurst:

Elmhurst Energy Systems Limited is a Government accredited body for the issue and endorsement of Standard Assessment Procedure (SAP) ratings. This accreditation is contained in a licence granted by the Department for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA). Elmhurst is registered under ISO EN 9002 for quality assurance and the Elmhurst SAP software is independently checked and approved by the Building Research Establishment ensuring it complies fully with the SAP.

With Elmhurst you can be confident of a quality product. Elmhurst was established specifically to serve organisations that are involved in the energy labelling of homes. Elmhurst's services are of great value to builders, architects, energy consultants, local authorities, housing associations and surveyors. Dedicated to the provision of affordable systems and services, Elmhurst is recognised as a market leader in the production of SAP energy labels and software. All Elmhurst products are reasonably priced, simple to use and accurate.

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