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AEA launches e-solution to fast track CRC compliance

With a large number of organisations at risk of missing the 30 September deadline to register for the Carbon Reduction Commitment Energy Scheme, AEA has launched a new e-solution to help organisations avoid penalties of thousands of pounds.

The electronic personalised plan has been designed to make pre-registration and post-registration assessment and compliance as straightforward as possible, helping organisations who are looking to achieve compliance and those who aspire to a high score on the league table.

Mark Johnson, Knowledge Leader for Emissions Trading at AEA said:

“Current estimates suggest that with less than eight weeks of registration left, only around 20% of organisations in the private and public sectors have completed registration for the scheme. We believe many organisations are delaying because they’re worried about making an inaccurate registration. But the sooner you start the process, the sooner you can get it checked to ensure that it’s right. We’ve created a quick and easy way to plan exactly what an organisation needs to do, when it needs to do it, and which resources to allocate.”

Whether they have registered or not, users who input their organisation’s emissions data online, obtain a personalised report featuring:

- An assessment of the organisation’s footprint against the 90% opt-in ruling*.
- A compliance timeline and action plan including carbon-buying options.
- Checklists for pre-registration and footprint reporting
- A report on implications and recommendations.
- In addition, AEA’s expert CRC consultants will respond to individual questions.

*The 90% rule requires all participants to account for at least 90% of their total carbon footprint emissions, thereby focusing on the largest, and most cost effective, carbon reduction opportunities

AEA was the principal technical adviser to the Department of Energy and Climate Change (DECC) for the CRC scheme and continues to work with the Environment Agency during the implementation phase. It is currently working with a portfolio of over 20 clients to address a range of strategic and practical measures in preparation of the scheme's launch.

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