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Donarbon takes delivery of 'first' old boiler under new scrappage scheme

Recycling company Donarbon Ltd of Waterbeach, Cambridgeshire, took delivery of what is thought to be the first old boiler to be replaced and sent for recycling under the Governments new scrappage scheme, on 22nd January, less than a week after the scheme became operational.

The old boiler was removed from a house in the Arbury area of Cambridge City by Girton based company Green Heat Ltd and replaced with a new energy efficient 'A' rated Worcester Bosch Group boiler with a 6 year warranty.

The boiler scrappage scheme was launched by Gordon Brown and Ed Miliband on January 5th this year, following the success of the car scrappage scheme, and allows up to 125,000 householders across England to claim a £400 voucher towards the cost of replacing a working boiler with the lowest 'G' rating, with a new energy efficient boiler. The first vouchers were made available through the Energy Saving Trust on 18th January.

Although the scheme is aimed primarily at helping to cut the UK's carbon dioxide emissions and cut householders' energy bills, the scrappage scheme also has the advantages of providing continued work for energy efficiency companies like Green Heat, and producing more scrap metal for recycling.

Peter Thom, Managing Director of Green Heat said, "We fully support this new scrappage scheme; although the full cost of replacing an old boiler with a new 'A' rated one can be nearly £2,000, the energy savings can be as much as £400 a year, and with an Energy Saving Trust voucher, the potential payback to the householder is only 4 - 5 years. The fact that we were able to deliver the old boiler to Donarbon for

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recycling is an added bonus to a company like us, who have a strong environmental commitment”.

Peter added an encouragement to other householders to get a new energy efficient boiler as soon as possible. “Although we are hoping that the scrappage scheme will be extended, as it is currently set out by the Chancellor only 125,000 vouchers will be issued across the whole of England on a first come first served basis. So book early to avoid disappointment”.

Sarah Clover, Business Development Director for Donarbon said, “Donarbon recycles a large proportion of waste we receive through our construction and demolition waste site, and we are happy to be involved with recycling the metal from these old boilers to help make the new scrappage scheme as environmentally beneficial as possible”.

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Notes for the Editor

1. For more information about Green Heat Ltd and the boiler scrappage scheme contact Peter Thom, Managing Director of Green Heat Ltd. tel. 01223 277278 or e-mail sap@globalnet.co.uk
2. For more information about Donarbon Ltd, contact Mark Shelton, Waste Promotions Manager, Donarbon Ltd. tel. 01223 815467
3. For more information about the Energy Saving Trust see <http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/>
4. The photograph shows (from left to right) Mark Shelton Waste Promotions Manager, Donarbon Ltd; the old boiler ready to be loaded into the ferrous scrap metal skip at Donarbon’s Waterbeach site and Peter Thom, Managing Director of Green Heat Ltd.