



## Press Release

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### **Major industry consultation seminar to consider the Government's proposals for implementing the EU Energy Performance of Buildings Directive**

The UK Government has recently published its proposals for amending Part L of the Building Regulations and Implementing the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive.

Consultation on the proposals closes on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2004 and an industry seminar is being held at BRE on the 14<sup>th</sup> October to help delegates formulate their responses. Because of the strategic and business implications, the seminar will be of particular relevance to architects, building services engineers, building surveyors, building control professionals and energy professionals.

David Strong, Chairman of the Directive Implementation Advisory Group says, "The proposed changes to Part L and the implementation of the EPBD will have far-reaching implications for the owners, operators and developers of all buildings in the UK".

Senior representatives from RIBA and CIBSE respectively, will provide an architect's and a building services engineer's perspective on the proposed changes. The implications for Building Control and Building Surveyors will be reviewed by the Chairmen of the RICS Building Surveying Faculty and the RICS Building Control Forum.

Richard McCarthy ODPM Director General of Sustainable Communities Development says, "The seminar will provide an excellent opportunity for the EPBD implementation plans to be explained and debated. We welcome the event as it will assist attendees in preparing their responses to the consultation, and we will certainly take the proceedings into account".

An afternoon workshop session will enable more detailed debate and discussion regarding key issues associated with implementation. The Seminar Programme and Registration Details are available from the Directive Implementation Advisory Group website [www.diag.org.uk](http://www.diag.org.uk).

#### Note to Editors

The seminar is being jointly organised by ODPM and the Directive Implementation Advisory Group (DIAG). DIAG represents 23 major professional institutions and trade associations – more information from [www.diag.org.uk](http://www.diag.org.uk).

