

UK PELLET
COUNCIL

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EUROPEAN PELLET
COUNCIL

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What is the UK Pellet Council?

Membership:

- 5 Producers
- 35 Traders
- 1 Service Provider

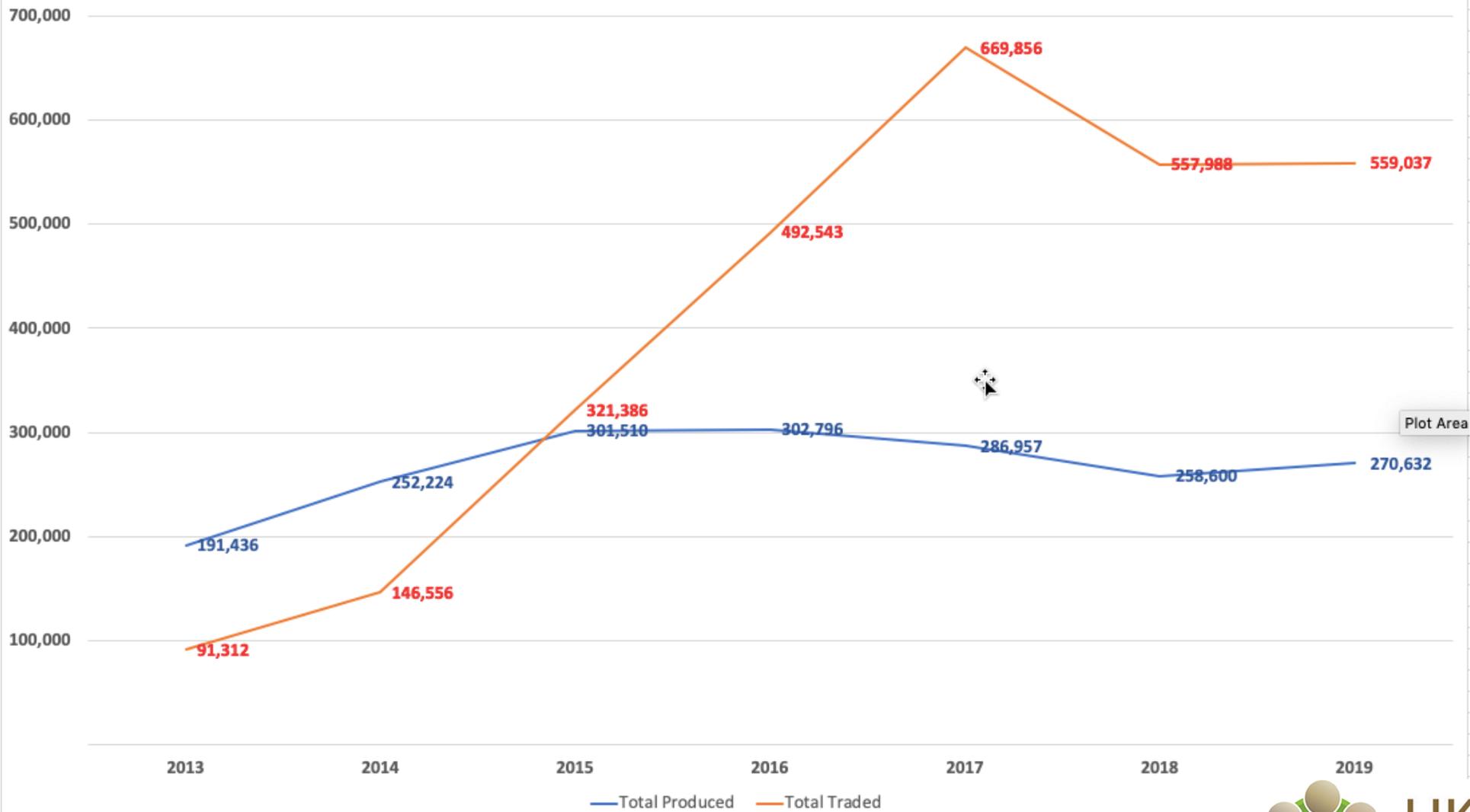


What is the UK Pellet Council?

- Board is made up of 11 members – representing 3 pellet producers and 8 traders
- To encourage and promote the development and use of wood pellet heating within the UK
- To monitor the policies of government and to represent the interests of the wood pellet sector
- The National Licensor for the ENplus[®] certification scheme



UK Production & Trade of ENplus® Pellets (Tonnes)



What is the ENplus® certification scheme?

- Wood pellet quality certification scheme
- Requirements are largely based on the ISO 17225 standard
- All stages of the supply chain – from raw material selection to delivery
- The scheme is run by the European Pellet Council, which is part of Bioenergy Europe



What is the ENplus® certification scheme?

- The National Licensor interfaces with the Certification Body (in the UK's case, HETAS) and Testing Bodies
- The CB is independent of the NL and is responsible for the audit regime and the ongoing certification of member companies
- Member companies pay a fee to the UKPC per tonne of pellets produced and/or traded



ENplus® Scheme Revision

- The current ENplus® Handbook was published in August 2015
- Decision was made to revise and update the scheme at the start of 2018
- Advisory committee selected and first physical meeting in Brussels 13th February 2019 (15 members, 3 National Licensers represented)



ENplus® Scheme Revision – Key Changes

- Removal of any link to sustainability – it will purely be a quality certification scheme
- Mass balance account – to ensure that a company is not selling more ENplus® pellets than it produces
- No restriction on truck technology but if the delivery vehicle is not a pressurised silo e.g. tipper with rotary feed, then the company must provide evidence that excessive fines will not be generated



ENplus® Scheme Revision – Key Changes continued

- CB shall collect and test an additional unannounced sample each year for producers and traders/service providers with bagging activities
- Additional technical parameters – particle density and coarse fines (<5.6mm) to be stated
- Opening up of market to CBs
- Closing the scheme to further National Licensers but opportunity to apply to be a National Promoting Association



ENplus[®] Scheme Revision

So they are not resting on their laurels - continued emphasis on developing and improving the scheme.



ENplus® revision (anticipated) timeline

DOCUMENTATION (DRAFT) EDITING
(English version)

DOCUMENTATION FINALISATION
(English version)

DEPI CONSULTATION
(follow up ongoing)

NL/NPA CONSULTATION
(feedback to be sent soon)

LEGAL REVIEW
(contracts to be circulated soon)

ENGLISH PROOFREADING

LAYOUT/DESIGN

FINAL CHECK

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Postal ballot

(+ NL/NPA copied)

BIOENERGY EUROPE
Positive statement

DEPI
Positive statement

EPC Board
Postal ballot

EPC GA
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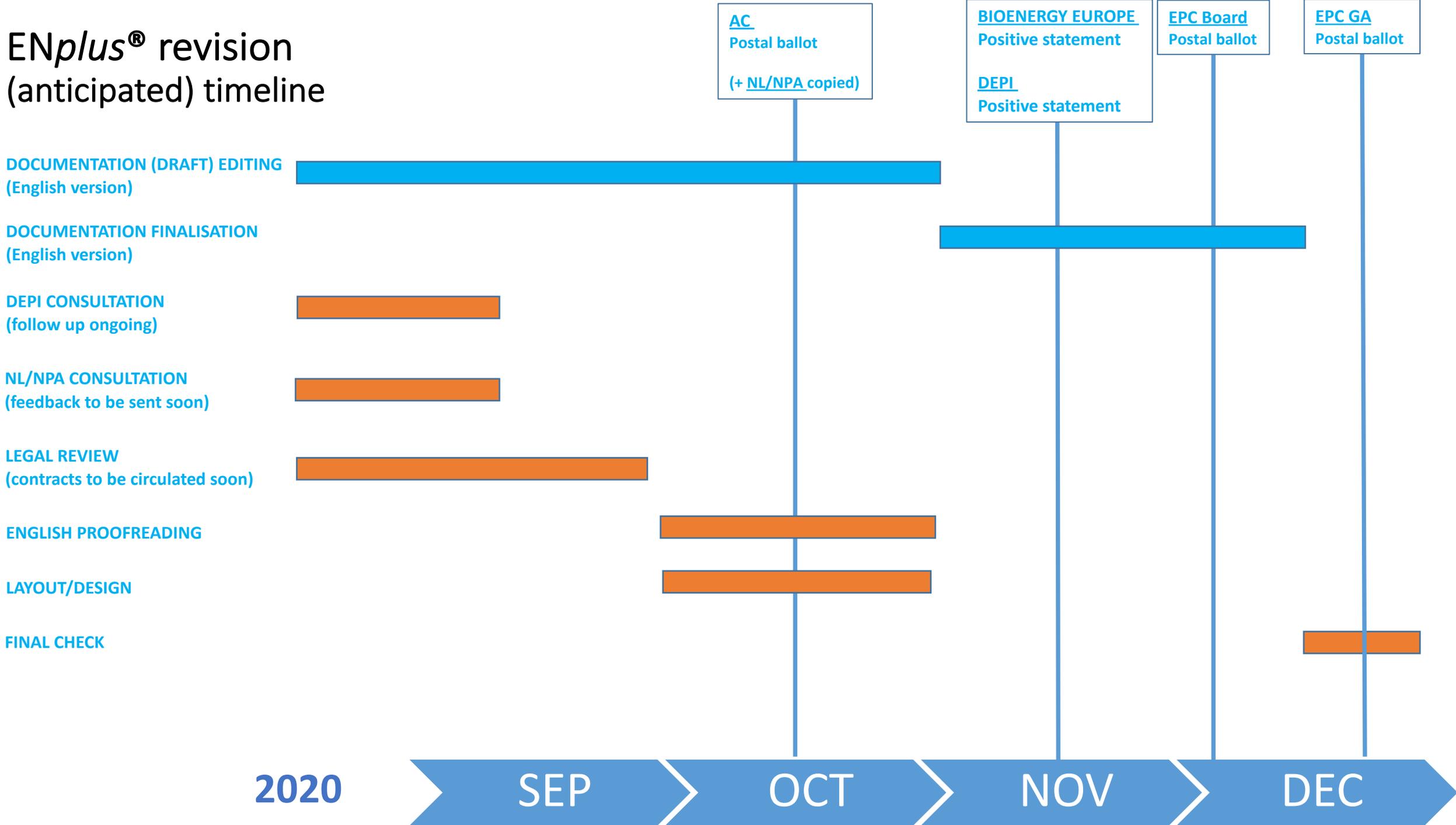
2020

SEP

OCT

NOV

DEC



ENplus® Scheme Revision

- Documentation available 3 weeks from GA approval
- Date of entry into force (i.e. can be used voluntarily or must be used by new scheme entrants) min. 3 months
- Transition date – min. 12 months



ENplus® Scheme Revision

The improvement and tightening of the scheme's quality parameters is important because the ENplus® scheme is likely to be the key wood pellet scheme that is linked, via BSL, to the non-domestic RHI.

Non-Domestic RHI reforms 2021

The NDRHI will close, as planned, to new participants at midnight on **31 March 2021**.

Proposed reforms

A: Biomass

- *Maintenance standard (MS)*
- *Fuel quality standard*
- *Waste wood proposals*



Thank You

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