



Latest news from CCS

Producers' Forum

The most recent CCS Producers' Forum meeting took place in Cambridge two weeks ago. During this meeting, we presented the latest updates on Scheme developments, PAS100 review/revision progress, and plans for the coming year. Operators shared ideas and suggestions regarding requirements that they would like to change or introduce to the standard. The discussions were very diverse and included debate around a market-based approach. We also discussed issues surrounding test methods such as the plant response test. We will be publishing minutes and actions from this meeting on our website.

PAS100 revision

The outcomes of these discussions (during the CCS Producers' Forum & PAS100 revision workshop) will feed into the upcoming meetings we have with other industry stakeholders. We will be updating the [PAS100 page](#) of our website throughout the revision process to keep everyone informed.

Aardvark Certification Ltd

We would like to announce that we have appointed a third certification body to provide certification services under the Compost Certification Scheme (CCS). Aardvark Certification Ltd submitted a very strong tender response last year when we opened up a tender for certification bodies to apply for appointment. Since then we have been evaluating their proposal and working to address any queries raised during evaluation. We received a very positive pre-assessment report from UKAS following their pre-assessment for accreditation to ISO/IEC17065:2012 for the provision of certification activities against the Scheme. Since their tender response, they have greatly strengthened their quality management system to both meet the requirements of ISO17065:2012 and support the CCS. We look forward to working with them over the coming years and we are confident that they will deliver highly efficient and professional certification services.

You can find more information about Aardvark and contact details on our website [here](#).

AB117 courier

For those operators booking the AB117 courier through NRM, please be aware that the service is currently unavailable due to a recent cyber-attack on the courier business. We are awaiting an update but please contact NRM directly if you have any questions.

PAS100 training course

You might be interested in an upcoming event delivered by the Renewable Energy Association (REA). REA is running a one-day training course focused on the requirements of PAS100, the Compost Quality Protocol, and the CCS Scheme Rules. The course is open to both members and non-members of REA. 'Understanding PAS100 in full' takes place on 1st November in Reading. For more information about this training course and to book a place, please visit this page by clicking [here](#). These courses usually take place once or twice a year and past feedback has been very positive! If you have any questions or

require clarification on the technical content of the course, please contact [Jenny Grant](#).

Thank you all.