

Press Statement

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New EU rules cut boilers' appetite for energy

As of tomorrow, 26 September, the energy efficiency of water and space heaters (such as boilers) will be improved due to the entry into force of EU-wide energy efficiency requirements for these products¹. Buying energy-thrifty boilers will be made easier for consumers because of supporting EU energy label rules.

Monique Goyens, Director General of The European Consumer Organisation (BEUC), commented:

"Heating represents the biggest chunk of a household's energy budget. The first beneficiaries of these new requirements will be consumers who want to spend less on heating their homes.

"Making every day consumer products more energy efficient is the smartest way to reduce our energy bills. Heaters represent a large share of Europe's energy use. Making these devices require less energy will result in cost savings to consumers and benefits to the climate."

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¹ Under the Ecodesign Regulation, new space heaters, combination heaters, water heaters and hot water storage tanks put on the market as of 26 September 2015 will have to meet specific energy efficiency requirements.