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## EVENT NOTICE

### **International Energy Agency Announces Release of UK CHP/DHC Scorecard**

The United Kingdom recognises the benefits of “Combined Heat and Power” (CHP) and “District Heating and Cooling” (DHC), but just 7% of the electricity generation is met with CHP. The International Energy Agency (IEA) believes that there is much greater potential for CHP and DHC that can be tapped by a more active government policy focus.

These are some of the key conclusions of the IEA report *Combined Heat and Power (CHP)/District Heating and Cooling (DHC) Country Scorecard: United Kingdom*. The new report was presented today by IEA Senior Energy Analyst Tom Kerr at the meeting of the “Combined Heat and Power Association” (CHPA) in London.

In *Country Scorecard: United Kingdom* the IEA states that a more active government policy focus could address key barriers such as lack of signals for locating CHP plants in areas with high heat demand, greater local planning for heat and DH, and expansion of newer technologies, including renewable CHP and micro-CHP. The report finds that the UK has some high-profile projects, including the use of CHP at Buckingham Palace and the Pimlico District Heating Scheme; and recommends next steps for repeating these successes. The report gives the UK a “2 and ½ star” rating (out of 5) for its efforts.

CHP and DHC are existing technologies that offer substantial energy supply efficiency and greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction benefits. As such, the IEA is providing advice to the G8 nations on how to increase the use of CHP/DHC by analysing lessons learned in CHP markets, technologies and policies in leading countries, including the United States. Each *Scorecard* evaluates the country’s success in achieving increased use of CHP and DHC.

For more information about CHP/DHC applications and markets, promotion policies, environmental benefits, stakeholders and barriers, see the complete *CHP/DHC Country Scorecard: United Kingdom*, available on the IEA website at <http://www.iea.org/G8/CHP/profiles/us.pdf>.

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