

Enhanced Capital Allowances for Buildings

First year tax allowances of 100% for **energy efficient plant** have existed now for a number of years and the **Energy Technology Product List** was updated on 1st June 2013.

This list can be found on the Department of Energy and Climate Change website (DECC) at www.etl.decc.gov.uk/etl/site/criteria.html

The classes covered are as follows:-

- air-to-air energy recovery devices
- automatic monitoring and targeting
- boiler equipment
- combined heat and power
- compressed air equipment
- heat pumps
- heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) equipment
- high speed hand air dryers
- lighting
- motors and drives
- pipework insulation
- radiant and warm air heaters
- refrigeration equipment
- solar thermal systems and
- uninterruptable power supplies

Each class has sub-categories and each class will need drilling down into to see whether a particular piece of equipment is included.

However the accelerated tax relief obtained should be well worth the trouble.

Similar provisions apply to **water saving devices** which, if listed, attract a 100% first year allowance. This list is controlled by Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA) and details can be found under www.lexisurl.com/watersave.

Among the categories listed are the following:-

- efficient showers
- efficient taps
- efficient toilets
- efficient washing machines
- flow controllers
- leakage equipment
- meters and monitoring equipment and
- rainwater harvesting equipment