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Introduction

The purpose of PAS 67 is to determine, by measurement, under a variety of load conditions, the data needed to calculate the energy performance of a micro-cogeneration package. It is restricted to packages whose function is the production of heat and electricity and in which all heat is usefully employed. The tests are designed to be reproducible.

Micro-cogeneration unit (MCG) (also known as micro-combined heat and power units) require a substantially different test procedure from that for boilers, and the laboratory tests specified in PAS 67 have been designed to take account of these differences.

The results obtained from testing to the requirements of PAS 67 are not intended for use as a direct comparative assessment of micro-cogeneration packages. However, the results obtained from testing to the requirements of PAS 67 can be used for calculating one or more indices of performance, such as estimating annual system energy requirements and system efficiencies. This could be utilized as part of a heating system design and also for comparative assessments.

PAS 67 contains a number of test modes and test regimes (see Table 2) and manufacturers are cautioned to consider carefully how their packages are to be used when choosing the modes and test regimes under which they wish their product to be tested.

NOTE 1 Attention is drawn to Directive 2004/18/EC [2] on the promotion of cogeneration, which excludes MCGs from the need to meet the minimum thermal efficiency requirements that are specified in the hot-water boiler Directive, 92/42/EEC [3], commonly referred to as the Boiler Efficiency Directive (BED).

NOTE 2 This PAS has been and will be affected by particular editions and revisions of the UK Building Standard Assessment Procedure (SAP) which is being reviewed by the government with increasing frequency and with respect to the corresponding Annual Performance Method. This does not affect the validity of the tests contained within this PAS but users and potential users might wish to understand the latest regulatory procedure before embarking upon large test programmes.

1 Scope

This PAS specifies a set of test conditions for determining the heating and electrical performance of heat-led micro-cogeneration packages that are primarily intended for use in dwellings. The PAS is applicable for:

- testing micro-cogeneration packages that provide space and water heating with a thermal output up to 70 kW (252 MJ/h); or
- testing micro-cogeneration units (MCGs) designed to produce electricity and simultaneously heat a domestic hot water storage tank (DHWPK).

The full output test might also be suitable for packages up to 400 kW (1 440 MJ/h).

This PAS also specifies a reporting format (Results Tables) for the test results.

This PAS does not cover how to evaluate the annual energy performance of a MCG, but it is intended that the data obtained through testing to PAS 67 can be used for these purposes.

NOTE 1 A suitable method that can be used to evaluate the annual energy performance of a MCG is given in Method to evaluate the annual energy performance of micro-cogeneration heating systems in dwellings [1]. This method treats the DHW load as additional space heating load. This enables the estimation of the annual energy performance and derivation of the single index of performance for product comparison.

NOTE 2 An estimate of annual energy performance is necessary for the SAP (The UK Government's Standard Assessment Procedure for Energy Rating of Dwellings) [4] and