

## tesco ireland



*Tesco Ireland is a leading food retailer operating in 95 stores across the country.*

*It has achieved significant energy savings through taking an integrated and structured approach to energy management across the whole business.*

*For an investment of €1 million, energy savings of €1.7 million were achieved in 2006.*

Tesco Ireland is one of the leading commercial sector organisations in terms of its implementation of a structured energy management system that incorporates all aspects of its business. This approach ranges from how stores are built, through how they are managed, to the behaviour of all staff.

Energy-efficient design has been incorporated into Tesco's store design manual, ensuring that all new stores are built to the highest standards of efficiency and include consideration of renewable supply or other innovative elements. In terms of management, all store managers are allocated responsibility for energy efficiency

and are set targets for improvement. Energy monitoring is now built into normal management systems and routines.

Tesco has operated highly successful energy-awareness campaigns for all staff, including a special week-long campaign highlighting different energy and climate change topics each day. It has also built energy awareness into its staff induction training, so that all new staff hear about the issue when they join.

Building on its success to date, Tesco Ireland is now working towards certification to IS 393, Ireland's Energy Management Standard. Tesco Ireland's energy management system has resulted in a step change in efficiency thinking. *'The beauty of the system is that we have developed a standardised approach that brings all parts of the business up to the same high standard'* said, Tesco Ireland Energy Manager, Michael McNerney.

*'Our energy management system builds on current practices to incorporate energy thinking into everything we do. Energy efficiency is now built in.'*

*Michael McNerney, Energy Manager, Tesco Ireland*