



INPUT TO PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON OUTLINE PROPOSALS FOR A FRAMEWORK REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL FOR AGRICULTURAL VEHICLES

AECC* is pleased to provide input to the Directorate-General for Enterprise and Industry of the European Commission with regards to the Public consultation on outline proposals for a Framework Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council for Agricultural Vehicles.

In the context of better regulation, AECC supports the replacement of the current European Directives with a single split-level legislative approach resulting in a Regulation that will be directly applicable in all European Member States.

AECC supports the alignment of the agricultural and forestry vehicles emissions legislation with the non-road mobile machinery legislation as well as with emissions limits in Japan and in the USA since engines for agricultural machines represent part of the larger global non-road engine market.

Significant reductions in emissions from these engines are technically feasible but may be commercially viable only if the non-road mobile machinery and agricultural vehicles markets are subject to the same Regulations.

Over the years, AECC has demonstrated the performance of emissions controls for reducing emissions of heavy-duty engines that are used in specific non-road applications. All technical material is published at www.aecc.eu under Publications.

AECC does not consider there are technical justifications for exemptions for particular categories of agricultural or forestry vehicles.

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