

Brussels, 14 February 2022

To: Commissioner for Internal Market Mr Breton
Cc: Commission Executive Vice-President Ms Vestager

Subject: European Commission Proposal on Euro 7 urgently needed

Dear Commissioner Mr Breton,

The European emissions control industry that [AECC](#) represents, calls for an ambitious proposal for future Euro 7 emission legislation for light- and heavy-duty vehicles. The upcoming Euro 7 is a unique opportunity to ensure truly clean vehicles on European roads and it is an integral part of Europe's zero-emissions transport objectives. AECC's [position](#) for an ambitious Euro 7 and the technical projects data supporting our call is publicly available and well known by those involved.

In recent days it has come to our attention that the European Commission has delayed the consideration of the Euro 7 proposal within the College of Commissioners until July 2022. Back in December 2021, the 'Development of post-Euro 6/VI emission standards for cars, vans, lorries and buses' was listed as an item to be discussed at the beginning of April 2022.

We very much regret this important delay. It is very concerning for our European emission control industry as it will imply further delays in the Euro 7 adoption process, including its possible date for implementation. We would appreciate it if you could provide information about the reason for this postponement and its possible implications for the scenarios in the impact assessment.

A swift implementation of the Euro 7 emission standards is key to allow technologies like hybrid internal combustion engine (ICE) vehicles to achieve ultra-low pollutant emissions in all real-world driving conditions. AECC demonstrates further emissions reductions are technically feasible by modern vehicles using state-of-the-art control technologies.

AECC and its membership are ready for the ultra-low pollutant emissions challenge. We are strongly committed to contributing to the discussion and development of ambitious Euro 7 real-world emissions standards.

AECC continues to provide robust scientific data to discuss how to improve local air quality and to mitigate climate change whilst maintaining the global competitiveness of the European automotive industry through the application of modern emission control technologies to ICEs.

We would appreciate the opportunity to discuss the importance of the upcoming Euro 7 standards for our industry with you. Please let us know when a meeting to discuss our industry concerns is convenient.

Thank you for your consideration and I look forward to meeting you soon.

Yours sincerely,

(signed)

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Executive Director



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