

AECC WELCOMES THE PROPOSAL ON CO₂ EMISSIONS TARGETS FOR NEW HEAVY-DUTY VEHICLES

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The Association for Emissions Control by Catalyst, AECC AISBL, welcomes the proposal to amend the Regulation (EU) 2019/1242 as regards to reviewing the CO₂ emission performance standards for new heavy-duty vehicles (2023/0042 (COD)) that was recently adopted and published by the European Commission, on 14 February 2023.

AECC is fully committed to the climate objectives of the EU aiming to achieve a 90% reduction in transport-related greenhouse gas emissions by 2050, as laid out in the European Green Deal. AECC's <u>vision</u> for clean, efficient, convenient and affordable mobility is fully aligned with the European Commission's objective on climate. The heavy-duty vehicles CO₂ emissions standards are key drivers for reducing CO₂ emissions from the transport sector.

From an initial view of the adopted proposal, AECC noted the Tank-to-Wheel (TtW) approach, which is defined in the current tailpipe CO₂ emissions regulation, remains in the adopted proposal. This TtW approach limits the Well-to-Wheel (WtW) CO₂ reductions that can otherwise be obtained by using heavy-duty hybrid internal combustion engine technologies with drop-in sustainable renewable fuels.

As highlighted in AECC's <u>position paper</u> on the review of the CO_2 emission standards for heavy-duty vehicles, this is an opportunity to implement a robust and technology neutral approach to fully consider the role of sustainable renewable fuels for the sector in addition to electrification and hydrogen technologies (FCEV and H_2 -ICE).

AECC will study the new Heavy-duty CO_2 emissions proposal in detail and will continue to follow the development of future Heavy-duty CO_2 emissions standards.

AECC remains committed to contributing to the climate objectives of the EU alongside the development of ambitious <u>Euro 7 emissions standards</u>, which will have a significant impact on air quality. This will also contribute to and maintain the global competitiveness of the European automotive industry through application of cost-effective and best available emission control technologies.

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