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Dear

Thank you for your message of 26 October 2016 expressing Fuels Europe position regarding the EU policy for transport fuels for the time period after 2020.

As you know, on 30 November, the Commission has presented its proposal for a recast of the Renewable Energy Directive (Directive 2009/28/EC) with the objective to address the needs for a common EU action to ensure that the EU 2030 - 2050 policy goals and the EU Energy Union Strategy objectives are achieved in a cost-effective manner.

It addresses many of the concerns you raise regarding the single market and the sustainability aspects of transport fuels. Amongst others, the Commission's proposal contains improved sustainability and greenhouse gas emission requirements for biofuels. It also introduces an obligation on European transport fuel suppliers to supply to the market an increasing share of renewable and low-carbon fuels, including advanced biofuels, renewable transport fuels of non-biological origin (e.g. hydrogen), waste-based fuels and renewable electricity.

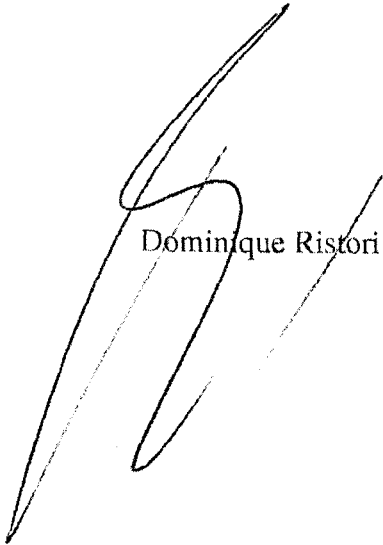
At the same time, the proposed gradual reduction of conventional crop based biofuels will promote the development and deployment of innovative advanced renewable fuels while providing farmers and producers of conventional crop-based biofuels with sufficient time to adjust.

We look forward to further discussions on initiatives that can support the uptake of advanced renewable fuels and other low-carbon fuels, including through non-legislative action, such as standardisation.

For any further information or clarification regarding the legislative proposal of the Commission, please also do not hesitate to contact

Yours sincerely,

Best Regards,



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