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Green Hydrogen Organisation

By E-mail: [email protected]

Dear [Name],

Thank you for your message of 17 June 2022 to Executive Vice President Timmermans on the draft delegated acts on renewable hydrogen. I have been asked to reply on his behalf.

The Commission published on 20 May two draft delegated acts. The first delegated act\(^1\) sets out the criteria for sourcing renewable electricity for both hydrogen producers with direct connections to renewable power generation plants as well as hydrogen producers that are taking renewable electricity from the grid. In the latter case, the draft sets out criteria for additionality and for temporal and geographic correlation, which provide sufficient safeguards to ensure that renewable fuels of non-biological origin are produced from renewable energy and achieve greenhouse gas emission savings. At the same time, it provides producers and project developers with sufficient time to implement the requirements and rewards early investments by permanently exempting them from some of the requirements. The second draft delegated act\(^2\) sets out a methodology for determining the emission savings of renewable fuels of non-biological origin and recycled carbon fuels based on a robust life cycle assessment approach.

Following the end of the consultation period, the Commission is working on the final versions of the delegated acts that will be proposed to the European Parliament and the Council. They will have two months to accept or to object to the Commission’s proposals, before they may enter into force.

On behalf of DG ENER, thank you for your constructive input and your continued engagement on this matter is very welcome.

Yours sincerely,

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1 Link: Production of renewable transport fuels – share of renewable electricity (requirements) (europa.eu);
2 Link: Renewable energy – method for assessing greenhouse gas emission savings for certain fuels (europa.eu)