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To all recognized Certification Systems,
Voluntary Schemes
and Certification Bodies

Via E-Mail

Information regarding Nabisy

Sustainable Biomass System – Nabisy
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Dear Madam, dear Sir

this letter is to inform about

1. maintenance work on Nabisy
2. grace periods in Nabisy (30 days)
3. changes occurring with the next Nabisy update

We ask the certification systems to please inform their participants.

We also ask the certification bodies to please inform their auditors and, where audits are foreseen, operations and installations as well.

1. Maintenance work on Nabisy foreseen

From Dec 3 to Dec 4, 2013 we will be doing maintenance work in Nabisy. Nabisy will not be accessible on either date.

2. Grace periods in Nabisy

Given that we have repeatedly been asked about grace periods in Nabisy, we take this opportunity to point out that

1. a proof of sustainability without a double counting proof may be issued within a mass balancing period plus 30 days.
If, for instance, merchandise is supplied on 01.01., the respective proof of sustainability may be issued by the expiration date of the mass balancing period (30.03.) plus a 30 day grace period (30.04.).
2. proofs of sustainability, in connection with double counting proofs, must be issued within 30 days after production. In this case, the mass balancing period does not come to bear.
If, for instance, merchandise is produced on 01.01., the proof of sustainability, including the proof of double counting, may be issued by 30.01.. Contrary to the issuance of proofs of sustainability that do not include double counting proofs there is no grace period here!

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3. Changes to occur with the next update in Nabisy

As of the next Nabisy update, foreseen during the 46th calendar week, the following changes of relevance for economic operators shall take effect:

1. At present, a proof of sustainability may not exceed a volume of 5.000 m³ or 4.000 t. With the next update, this limit shall be changed into an energy content of 185,000,000 MJ in order to simplify the entry and/or the import of proofs of sustainability, e.g. for biogas as compressed biomethane.
2. As, until 1 July 2012, indicating the country of origin [i.e. the country of cultivation] in the proofs of sustainability was optional, the Nabisy data base still contains proofs and partial proofs with either no or incomplete information on the country of origin. During the evaluation required by law, this leads to inaccuracies which we can only remedy by preventing the combination of proofs which contain incomplete information re. the country of origin with proofs which contain complete information to that respect.
The restriction will be programmed and shall become effective on **1 December 2013**. Consequently and as of that date, proofs with incomplete data regarding the country of origin shall only be combinable with proofs which also contain incomplete data re. the country of origin.
By the same token, proofs with complete information on the country of origin will only be combinable with proofs that also contain complete information re. the country of origin.

We kindly ask the certification systems to inform their participants accordingly.

We also kindly ask the certification bodies to inform their auditors as well as the operations and installations where audits might be foreseen.

You are welcome to contact us in case of further queries.

With best regards
By order



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