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To all EU systems

by e-mail only

Directive (EU) 2015/1513 as from 1 January 2017; 60% Minimum saving of GHG emissions from biofuels produced in new installations; Survey of the date of initial operating of conversion units

i.e.:

- **Electronic transmission of the certificate data including the date of initial operating**
- **Electronic transmission of the current certificate list**
- **Announcement of a newsletters for sustainable biomass and Nabisy**

Enclosure: csv format for transmitting certificates

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Dear Sir or Madam,

The provisions on the greenhouse gas minimum savings for biofuels in Article 7 of the Fuel Quality Directive 98/70/EC and Article 17 of the Renewable Energy Directive 2009/28/EC have been amended pursuant to Article 2 (5) of Directive (EU) 2015/1513 of the European Parliament and of the Council of September 9, 2015.

In Germany, this was transposed into national law by the "Ordinance for the Adjustment of Quotation Provisions and the Implementation of European provisions on Greenhouse Gas Savings of Biofuels" on 4 April 2016 biofuels (Verordnung zur Bereinigung quotenrechtlicher Vorschriften und zur Umsetzung europarechtlicher Vorgaben zur Treibhausgas-Minderung von Biokraftstoffen), and the "Biokraft-NachV" amended accordingly.

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Accordingly, Article 8 (1) of the Biokraft-NachV states:

The greenhouse gas emission saving from biofuels shall be at least 35%. This minimum value shall be increased to at least 50% for biofuels placed on the market from 1 January 2018, provided that the installation which produced the biofuel were in operation on or before 5 October 2015.

The minimum value shall be at least 60 % for biofuels placed on the market from 1 January 2017, provided that the installation which produced the biofuel, has been put into operation after 5 October 2015.

The date of initial operating is the date of the first production of biofuel.

The governmental database Nabisy, which has been set up for the registration, documentation and traceability of proofs of sustainability (PoS), had to be adapted to maintain its plausibility functions. From 1 January 2017, the validation of the GHG emission must distinguish whether the biofuel was produced in a 'new' or in an 'old' installation.

For this purpose, it is necessary to implement the date of initial operating of the biofuel production plant in the background data of the web application.

For this reason, we kindly ask you to transmit the certificates of those system participants who intend to use the Nabisy application. Please do this from now on by using the data set description of the enclosed format template and provide it to the e-mail address zertifikate@ble.de.

Example:

certification issued on	participant ID	certificate ID	valid from	valid to	scope of certification/ type of participant	date of initial operating
01.01.2016	EU-BM-99-SSt-12345678	EU-BM-99-888-76543210	01.01.2016	31.12.2016	401	01.01.2010
01.01.2016	EU-BM-99-Lfr-12345678	EU-BM-99-ABCD852963	01.01.2016	31.12.2016	502	

In the interest of your participants / customers, please note:

Proofs of sustainability may, with effect from 1 January 2017 at the latest, only be issued by producers of biofuels/bioliquids (so-called 'last interfaces' in Nabisy), if the initial date of operation of their certified installation has been registered in Nabisy.

In the case where certificates are issued for companies which are not a 'last interface' (such as conversion interface for semi-finished products, supplier, farm group, first gathering point, etc.), the field 'initial operation date' may remain blank.



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EU recognized voluntary schemes that work with independent third parties other than BLE recognized certification bodies must submit each newly issued certificate to the BLE as of 1 January 2017 in accordance with the attached form so that the participants can continue to use Nabisy.

The possible alternative of a once-only collection of the initial date of operation has not been pursued by the BLE, since the permanent timeliness of the data could not be guaranteed. E.g. cases of extensive exchanges of process lines, new installations or similar could not be reliably recorded.

Valid Data on sustainability in Nabisy are of great importance to BLE. They shall not only serve to ensure the conformity of biofuels and bioliquids used for the purposes referred to in Article 17 (1) (a), (b) and (c) of the RED, but shall also form the basis for the annual evaluation and experience report of BLE.

Valid data are also an indicator of the robustness of the requirements of a voluntary system, which the economic operator is obliged to submit.

In addition, we would be very grateful to receive the currently running certificates in the form of a list according to the attached sample in order to be able to match the data stored in Nabisy.

Moreover, we would like to point out that BLE will establish a newsletter function for sustainable biomass and Nabisy from 2017 on the www.ble.de/Biomasse site. Here the BLE will inform you about new developments at irregular intervals. Please inform your participants about this new information source.

For further information please do not hesitate to contact us at zertifikate@ble.de or (+49) 0228 6845 2500.

Kind regards



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