

Department for Transport consultation on mandating E10

Click these links for the <u>DfT press release</u>, and <u>consultation</u> on E10.

The new Transport Minister, Rachel MacLean launched the consultation from the Ensus facility, and then went on to visit Nova Pangea.

There was significant media coverage, including front page of yesterday's The Times (hardcopy) and BBC online here.

The consultation document poses two approaches to the mandate, and proposes fairly sensible derogations. A fuller summary will follow.

Very welcome within the consultation on how to implement the E10 mandate, is a **call for evidence on increasing the size of the RTFO**, and retaining the GHG reporting **regulations** - both things the REA has been pushing hard for.

The GHG reporting regulations were discussed at the latest DfT Quarterly Stakeholder meeting, and the prospect of retaining the target beyond 2020 was raised. Previously we had been told that it would not be possible to legislate in time for this. We understand that if there is not to be a hiaitus, it may be necessary to keep changes to a minimum, at least initially.

You may be interested to see that the Commission's interpretation of the FQD is that the 6% target must remain met after 2020. This has been communicated to member states. FI we have a copy of the letter sent to Slovakia.

The call for evidence on the GHG regulations is open ended, and asks

- a. Which measures should be rewarded with GHG credits? For example, should UERs continue to be included?
- b. The level of the obligation, i.e. should it remain at 6%?
- c. Any other changes to the system you would like to propose

The call for evidence on the RTFO target covers GHG savings from the target levels, timings and other risks or potential impacts.

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