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# AMENDMENT 111

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**Report Robert Goodwill** Fluorinated greenhouse gases

Proposal for a regulation (COM(2003) 492 - C5-0397/2003 - 2003/0189(COD))

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment by Parliament

Amendment 111 Article 9, paragraph 1

1. From *1 January 2005*, any person placing new *vehicles* on the market with air conditioning systems containing fluorinated gases with a global warming potential higher than 150 shall ensure that the rate of leakage has been verified as not exceeding *40 grams of fluorinated gases per year for a single evaporator system or 50 grams of fluorinated gases per year for a dual evaporator system*. 1. From *31 December 2006*, any person placing new *vehicle types* on the market with air conditioning systems containing fluorinated *greenhouse* gases with a global warming potential higher than 150 shall ensure that the rate of leakage has been verified as not exceeding *the limit values laid down under a specific harmonised test procedure adopted by the Commission*.

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Justification

The obligation to set a minimum leakage rate for fluorinated gases calls for the prior adoption by the Commission of new rules introducing a harmonised test procedure. It would be pointless to set limit values (maximum leakage rates of 40 or 50 grams per year) without such a procedure. Another reason why 1 January 2005 is too early is the fact that major changes will need to be made to both production processes and vehicles themselves in order to be able to market air conditioning systems meeting the new technical standards. Given that the regulation will not be adopted before the end of 2004, the deadline should therefore be extended to 31 December 2006.

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2. From 1 January 2011, Member States shall no longer issue EC type- approval pursuant to Directive 70/156/EEC for any new type of vehicle if the global warming potential of the gases used in the airconditioning system is higher than 50. For small-scale manufacturers, this provision shall apply from 1 January 2013.

Amendment 112 Article 9, paragraph 2

2. From 1 January 2009, the placing on the market of new vehicles with air conditioning systems containing fluorinated gases with a global warming potential higher than 150 shall be prohibited, except as provided for in

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Justification

Linking new technologies to the type-approval procedure has proved to be efficient and a more cost-effective way of introducing technological innovations. No interim solutions should be sought; future-proof, climate-friendly and safe solutions should be introduced.

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