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AMENDMENTS

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Draft report
Salvatore Tatarella
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on the proposal for a directive of the European Parliament and of the Council
amending Directive 2000/25/EC as regards the provisions for tractors placed
on the market under the flexibility scheme

Proposal for a directive – amending act
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Amendment 20

Bas Eickhout

Proposal for a directive - amending act

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Proposal for rejection

***The European Parliament rejects the
Commission proposal;***

Or. en

Amendment 21

Csaba Sándor Tabajdi, Kriton Arsenis, Åsa Westlund

Proposal for a directive - amending act

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Proposal for rejection

***The European Parliament rejects the
Commission proposal***

Or. en

Justification

The Commission came forward with the present proposal in a relatively late stage. A full revision of Directive is expected in 12 months. The current level of the flexibility scheme allows tractor manufacturers to cope with the economic difficulties, while it drives innovation and economic competition. Therefore the proposal on the amendment of the Directive is not timely and not justified.

Amendment 22

Csaba Sándor Tabajdi

Proposal for a directive - amending act

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Proposal for rejection

***The European Parliament rejects the
Commission proposal***

Or. en

Amendment 23
Bairbre de Brún

Proposal for a directive - amending act
Recital 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) Directive 2000/25/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2000 on action to be taken against the emission of gaseous and particulate pollutants by engines intended to power agricultural or forestry tractors and amending Council Directive 74/150/EEC⁹ regulates exhaust emissions from engines installed in agricultural and forestry tractors. The current stage of emission limits applicable for type approval of the majority of compression ignition engines is referred to as Stage III A. The directive provides that those limits will be replaced by the more stringent Stage III B limits, entering into force progressively as of 1st January 2011 with regard to the placing on the market and from 1st January 2010 as regards the type approval for those engines. Stage IV, providing for limit values more stringent than stage III B, will enter into force progressively as of 1st January 2013 as regards the type approval for those engines and as of 1st January 2014 with regard to the placing on the market.

Amendment

(1) Directive 2000/25/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 22 May 2000 on action to be taken against the emission of gaseous and particulate pollutants by engines intended to power agricultural or forestry tractors and amending Council Directive 74/150/EEC⁹ regulates exhaust emissions from engines installed in agricultural and forestry tractors ***in order to further safeguard human health and the environment***. The current stage of emission limits applicable for type approval of the majority of compression ignition engines is referred to as Stage III A. The directive provides that those limits will be replaced by the more stringent Stage III B limits, entering into force progressively as of 1st January 2011 with regard to the placing on the market and from 1st January 2010 as regards the type approval for those engines. Stage IV, providing for limit values more stringent than stage III B, will enter into force progressively as of 1st January 2013 as regards the type approval for those engines and as of 1st January 2014 with regard to the placing on the market.

Justification

One of the objectives of Directive 2000/25/EC is to maximise the benefits for the European environment and public health.

Amendment 24

Csaba Sándor Tabajdi

Proposal for a directive - amending act
Recital 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1a) The Commission is expected to come forward with a comprehensive revision of Directive 2000/25/EC within 12 months. It is preferable for the Commission to present the comprehensive revision at the earliest convenience.

Or. en

Justification

The Commission came forward with the present proposal on the partial revision of Directive 2000/25/EC in a relatively late stage, as the measures the Commission intends to amend are partially in force as per 1 January 2011. A full revision of Directive 2000/25/EC would allow of dealing with the current regulation in a more comprehensive manner.

Amendment 25

Peter Liese

Proposal for a directive - amending act
Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(2) The transition to Stage III B involves a step change in technology requiring

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significant implementation costs for re-designing the engines and for developing advanced technical solutions. ***This transition stipulated by the legislator in 2005 coincides with the economic recession in the sector concerned which makes it difficult for the industry to bear the implementation costs necessary in order to adapt to the new legal requirements.***

significant implementation costs for re-designing the engines and for developing advanced technical solutions. ***The global financial and economic crisis cannot serve as a reason to water down environmental standards. Investments in environmentally friendly technologies are important for the promotion of future growth, jobs and health security.***

Or. en

Justification

In the current debate the Commission has suggested that the global financial and economic crisis has had a deeply negative impact on the related industry. Despite the difficulties the industry is facing currently it has to be re-emphasised that the crisis can not serve as a reason to water down environmental standards. On the contrary, investments in green technologies are a motor for future growth and jobs in Europe and an important factor for health security.

Amendment 26 Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive - amending act Recital 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) Directive 2000/25/EC provides for a flexibility scheme to allow tractor manufacturers to purchase, ***in the period between two emission stages***, a limited quantity of engines that do not comply with the current emission limit values, but are approved to the nearest previous stage of emission limits.

Amendment

(3) Directive 2000/25/EC provides for a flexibility scheme to allow tractor manufacturers to purchase, ***during a given stage***, a limited quantity of engines that do not comply with the current emission limit values, but are approved to the nearest previous stage of emission limits.

Or. en

Amendment 27
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive - amending act
Recital 5

Text proposed by the Commission

(5) During *the transition from Stage III A to Stage III B*, the percentage of the number of *engines placed on the market* under the flexibility scheme *should be increased from 20% to 50%* of the *tractor manufacturer's annual sales* of tractors with engines in that category. The optional alternative that a *maximum* number of engines may be placed on the market under the flexibility scheme should be adapted accordingly.

Amendment

(5) During Stage III B, the percentage of the number of *tractors that enter into service* under the flexibility scheme *shall* be 50% of the annual *quantity* of tractors *entered into service by the tractor manufacturer* with engines in that category. The optional alternative that a *fixed* number of engines may be placed on the market under the flexibility scheme should be adapted accordingly.

Or. en

Amendment 28
Csaba Sándor Tabajdi

Proposal for a directive - amending act
Recital 5

Text proposed by the Commission

(5) During the transition from Stage III A to Stage III B, the *percentage of the* number of engines placed on the market under the flexibility scheme should *be increased from 20% to 50%* of the tractor manufacturer's annual sales of tractors with engines in that category. The optional alternative that a maximum number of engines may be placed on the market under the flexibility scheme *should be adapted accordingly*.

Amendment

(5) During the transition from Stage III A to Stage III B the *maximum* number of engines *that may be* placed on the market under the flexibility scheme should *not exceed* 20% of the tractor manufacturer's annual sales of tractors with engines in that category. The optional alternative *should be* that a maximum number of engines may be placed on the market under the flexibility scheme *not exceeding the values contained in the table in Annex I, point 1.2.2.*

Or. en

Justification

The current level of the flexibility scheme allows tractor manufacturers to cope with the economic difficulties, while it drives innovation and economic competition. At the same time small engine manufacturer enterprises may need additional support provided by an extended flexibility scheme to overcome the negative effects of the economic downturn.

Amendment 29

Peter Liese

Proposal for a directive - amending act

Recital 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5a) Enterprises operating with machines that fall within the scope of this Directive should profit from European financial support programmes or respective support programmes provided by Member States. It has to be taken into consideration to require the beneficiaries of these programmes to apply the best available technologies of their branches. Only enterprises that make use of the technologies with the best emission standards should be supported.

Or. en

Amendment 30

Holger Krahmer

Proposal for a directive - amending act

Recital 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(7) The measures provided in this Directive reflect a temporary difficulty faced by the industry; as such, these measures shall be restricted to the transition from Stage III A to Stage III B ***and expire on 31 December***

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2013,

Or. en

Amendment 31
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive - amending act
Recital 7

Text proposed by the Commission

(7) The measures provided in this Directive reflect a temporary difficulty faced by the industry; as such, these measures shall be restricted ***to the transition from Stage III A to Stage III B and expire on 31 December 2013,***

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 32
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive - amending act
Recital 7 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(7a) It is understood that the current emission limits shall be tightened with respect to ultrafine black carbon particles by implementing the particle number criterion in future legislation addressing the next emission targets.

Or. en

Amendment 33
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive - amending act
Recital 7 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(7b) In order to ensure the environmental performance of engines, as intended by the legislator, during most of the lifetime of a vehicle, new emission legislation should also include provisions on on-board diagnostic systems (OBD).

Or. en

Amendment 34
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Article 1 – point -1 (new)
Directive 2000/25/EC
Article 1 - new indents

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(-1) In Article 1, the following indents are added:

- "flexibility scheme": the exemption procedure by means of which a Member State permits the placing on the market of a limited quantity of engines in accordance with the requirements set by Article 3a;

- "engine category": the classification of engines which combines the power band with the stage of exhaust emission limits.

Or. en

Amendment 35
Holger Krahmer

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Article 1 – point 1
Directive 2000/25/EC
Article 3a – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. In Article 3a, the following *subparagraph* is added: ‘The flexibility scheme, set out in sections 1.2., 1.2.1. and 1.2.2. of Annex IV shall apply only for the transition from Stage III A to Stage III B **and shall expire on 31 December 2013.**’

Amendment

1. In Article 3a, the following *paragraph* is added: ‘The flexibility scheme, set out in sections 1.2., 1.2.1. and 1.2.2. of Annex IV shall apply only for the transition from Stage III A to Stage III B.’

Or. en

Amendment 36
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Article 1 – point 1
Directive 2000/25/EC
Article 3a – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. ***In Article 3a, the following subparagraph is added: ‘The flexibility scheme, set out in sections 1.2., 1.2.1. and 1.2.2. of Annex IV shall apply only for the transition from Stage III A to Stage III B and shall expire on 31 December 2013.’***

Amendment

1. Article 3a ***shall be replaced by the following: "By way of derogation from Article 3(1) and (2), Member States shall provide that, at the request of the tractor manufacturer and on condition that the approval authority has granted the relevant permit, a limited number of tractors may enter into service in accordance with the procedures laid down in Annex IV. The flexibility scheme shall begin when a defined stage becomes compulsory and shall have the same duration as the stage itself, but shall not exceed three years. Under a flexibility scheme, engines shall be approved in accordance with the requirements of the stage immediately preceding that which is***

applicable."

Or. en

Amendment 37

Bas Eickhout

Proposal for a directive – amending act

Article 1 – point 1

Directive 2000/25/EC

Article 3a – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. In Article 3a, the following *subparagraph* is added: ‘The flexibility scheme, set out in sections 1.2., 1.2.1. and 1.2.2. of Annex IV shall apply only for the transition from Stage III A to Stage III B and shall expire on 31 December 2013.’

Amendment

1. In Article 3a, the following *paragraph* is added: ‘The flexibility scheme, set out in sections 1.2., 1.2.1. and 1.2.2. of Annex IV shall apply only for the transition from Stage III A to Stage III B and shall expire on 31 December 2013. ***After this date, no additional flexibility for the transition from Stage III A to Stage IIIB shall be awarded.***’

Or. en

Amendment 38

Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act

Article 1 – point 2

Directive 2000/25/EC

Annex IV - section 1

Text proposed by the Commission

2. ***Section 1 of*** Annex IV is replaced by the text in Annex I to this Directive.

Amendment

2. Annex IV is replaced by the text in Annex I to this Directive.

Or. en

Amendment 39
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Annex 1 – introductory part
Directive 2000/25/EC
Annex IV - section 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Section 1 of Annex IV is replaced by the following:

Amendment

Annex IV is replaced by the following:

Or. en

Amendment 40
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Annex I
Directive 2000/25/EC
Annex IV - section 1 - point 1.1.

Text proposed by the Commission

1.1. ***With the exception of the transition period between Stage III A and Stage III B, a*** tractor manufacturer who wishes to make use of the flexibility scheme shall request permission from ***his*** approval authority to ***place or to source from his engine suppliers,*** in the ***period between two emissions stages,*** the quantities of ***engines*** described in sections 1.1.1. and 1.1.2. ***that do not comply with the current emission limit values, but are approved to the nearest previous stage of emission limits.***

Amendment

1.1. A tractor manufacturer who wishes to make use of the flexibility scheme shall request permission from ***the*** approval authority to ***enter the tractors into service according to the relevant provisions set out in Annex IV. With the exception of Stage III B,*** the quantities of ***tractors shall not exceed those*** described in sections 1.1.1. and 1.1.2. ***The engines shall meet the requirements referred to in Article 3a.***

Or. en

Amendment 41
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Annex I

Directive 2000/25/EC

Annex IV - section 1 - point 1.1.1.

Text proposed by the Commission

1.1.1. The number of engines ***placed on the market*** under a flexibility scheme shall, in each engine category, not exceed 20 % of the ***tractor manufacturer's*** annual ***sales*** of tractors with engines in that engine category (calculated as the average of the last 5 years sales on the Union market). Where a tractor manufacturer has ***marketed*** tractors in the Union for a period of less than five years the average will be calculated based on the actual period for which the tractor manufacturer has ***marketed*** tractors in the Union.

Amendment

1.1.1. The number of engines ***and tractors entering into service*** under a flexibility scheme shall, in each engine category, not exceed 20 % of the annual ***quantities*** of tractors ***entered into service by the tractor manufacturer*** with engines in that engine category (calculated as the average of the last 5 years sales on the Union market). Where a tractor manufacturer has ***entered*** tractors ***into service*** in the Union for a period of less than five years the average will be calculated based on the actual period for which the tractor manufacturer has ***entered*** tractors ***into service*** in the Union.

Or. en

Amendment 42
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Annex I

Directive 2000/25/EC

Annex IV - section 1 - point 1.1.2.

Text proposed by the Commission

1.1.2. As an alternative option to section 1.1.1., the ***tractor manufacturer may seek permission for his engine suppliers to place on the market a fixed number of engines under the flexibility scheme. The*** number of ***engines*** in each ***engine category*** shall not exceed the following ***values***:

Amendment

1.1.2. As an alternative option to section 1.1.1., the number of ***tractors*** in each ***power band*** shall not exceed the following ***quantities***:

Amendment 43
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Annex I

Directive 2000/25/EC

Annex IV - section 1 - point 1.1.2. - table - titles

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Engine **Category** (kW)

Engine **Power Band** (kW)

Number of **Engines**

Number of **Tractors**

Or. en

Amendment 44
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Annex I

Directive 2000/25/EC

Annex IV - section 1 - point 1.2.

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1.2. During ***the transition period between Stage III A and Stage III B***, a tractor manufacturer who wishes to make use of the flexibility scheme, shall request permission from ***his*** approval authority to ***place or to source from his engine suppliers, in the period between two emissions stages, the*** quantities of ***engines*** described in sections 1.2.1. and 1.2.2. ***that do not comply with the current emission limit values, but are approved to the nearest previous stage of emission limits.***

1.2. During Stage III B, a tractor manufacturer who wishes to make use of the flexibility scheme, shall request permission from ***the*** approval authority to ***enter the tractors into service according to the relevant provisions set out in Annex IV. The quantities of tractors shall not exceed the quantities*** described in sections 1.2.1. and 1.2.2. ***The engines shall meet the requirements referred to in Article 3a.***

Or. en

Amendment 45
Csaba Sándor Tabajdi

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Annex I

Directive 2000/25/EC

Annex IV - section 1 - point 1.2.1.

Text proposed by the Commission

1.2.1. The number of engines placed on the market under a flexibility scheme shall, in each engine category, not exceed **50** % of the tractor manufacturer's annual sales of tractors with engines in that engine category (calculated as the average of the last 5 years sales on the Union market). Where a tractor manufacturer has marketed tractors in the Union for a period of less than five years the average will be calculated based on the actual period for which the tractor manufacturer has marketed tractors in the Union.

Amendment

1.2.1. The number of engines placed on the market under a flexibility scheme shall, in each engine category, not exceed **20** % of the tractor manufacturer's annual sales of tractors with engines in that engine category (calculated as the average of the last 5 years sales on the Union market). Where a tractor manufacturer has marketed tractors in the Union for a period of less than five years the average will be calculated based on the actual period for which the tractor manufacturer has marketed tractors in the Union.

Or. en

Justification

The flexibility scheme is designed to help the switching over from one emission stage to another, especially in the time of economic difficulties. The current level of the flexibility scheme allows tractor manufacturers to cope with the economic difficulties, while it drives innovation and economic competition.

Amendment 46
Bas Eickhout

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Annex I

Directive 2000/25/EC

Annex IV - section 1 - point 1.2.1.

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

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each engine category, not exceed **20** % of the tractor manufacturer's annual sales of tractors with engines in that engine category (calculated as the average of the last 5 years sales on the Union market). Where a tractor manufacturer has marketed tractors in the Union for a period of less than five years the average will be calculated based on the actual period for which the tractor manufacturer has marketed tractors in the Union.

Or. en

Amendment 47

Holger Krahmer, Peter Liese

Proposal for a directive – amending act

Annex I

Directive 2000/25/EC

Annex IV - section 1 - point 1.2.1.

Text proposed by the Commission

1.2.1. The number of engines placed on the market under a flexibility scheme shall, in each engine category, not exceed **50** % of the tractor manufacturer's annual sales of tractors with engines in that engine category (calculated as the average of the last 5 years sales on the Union market). Where a tractor manufacturer has marketed tractors in the Union for a period of less than five years the average will be calculated based on the actual period for which the tractor manufacturer has marketed tractors in the Union.

Amendment

1.2.1. The number of engines placed on the market under a flexibility scheme shall, in each engine category, not exceed **40** % of the tractor manufacturer's annual sales of tractors with engines in that engine category (calculated as the average of the last 5 years sales on the Union market). Where a tractor manufacturer has marketed tractors in the Union for a period of less than five years the average will be calculated based on the actual period for which the tractor manufacturer has marketed tractors in the Union.

Or. en

Justification

This Amendment strives for a compromise between the positions of the political groups in the European Parliament and the Commission proposal.

Amendment 48
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Annex I
Directive 2000/25/EC
Annex IV - section 1 - point 1.2.1.

Text proposed by the Commission

1.2.1. The number of engines ***placed on the market*** under a flexibility scheme shall, in each engine category, not exceed 50 % of the ***tractor manufacturer's*** annual ***sales*** of tractors with engines in that engine category (calculated as the average of the last 5 years sales on the Union market). Where a tractor manufacturer has ***marketed*** tractors in the Union for a period of less than five years the average will be calculated based on the actual period for which the tractor manufacturer has ***marketed*** tractors in the Union.

Amendment

1.2.1. The number of engines ***and tractors entering into service*** under a flexibility scheme shall, in each engine category, not exceed 50 % of the annual ***quantities*** of tractors ***entered into service by the tractor manufacturer*** with engines in that engine category (calculated as the average of the last 5 years sales on the Union market). Where a tractor manufacturer has ***entered*** tractors ***into service*** in the Union for a period of less than five years the average will be calculated based on the actual period for which the tractor manufacturer has ***entered*** tractors ***into service*** in the Union.

Or. en

Amendment 49
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Annex I
Directive 2000/25/EC
Annex IV - section 1 - point 1.2.2.

Text proposed by the Commission

1.2.2. As an alternative option to section 1.2.1, the ***tractor manufacturer may seek permission for his engine suppliers to place on the market a fixed number of engines under the flexibility scheme. The***

Amendment

1.2.2. As an alternative option to section 1.2.1., the number of ***tractors*** in each ***power band*** shall not exceed the following values:

number of *engines* in each *engine category*
shall not exceed the following values:

Or. en

Amendment 50

Bas Eickhout

Proposal for a directive – amending act

Annex I

Directive 2000/25/EC

Annex IV - section 1 - point 1.2.2. - table

<i>Text proposed by the Commission</i>		<i>Amendment</i>	
Engine Category (kW)	Number of Engines	Engine Category (kW)	Number of Engines
37-56	200	37-56	200
56-75	175	56-75	150
75-130	250	75-130	100
130-560	125	130-560	50

Or. en

Amendment 51

Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act

Annex I

Directive 2000/25/EC

Annex IV - section 1 - point 1.2.2. - table - titles

<i>Text proposed by the Commission</i>		<i>Amendment</i>	
Engine <i>Category</i> (kW)		Engine <i>Power Band</i> (kW)	
Number of <i>Engines</i>		Number of <i>Tractors</i>	

Or. en

Amendment 52
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Annex I

Directive 2000/25/EC

Annex IV - section 1 - point 1.3. - introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1.3. The tractor manufacturer shall include in his application to **an** approval authority the following information:

Amendment

1.3. The tractor manufacturer shall include in his application to **the** approval authority the following information:

Or. en

Amendment 53
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Annex I

Directive 2000/25/EC

Annex IV - section 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

**2. ACTIONS BY THE ENGINE
MANUFACTURER**

2.1. An engine manufacturer may *place on the market* engines under a flexibility scheme *approved* in accordance with *sections 1 and 3* of this annex.

2.2. The engine manufacturer must *mark* those engines with the following text: ‘Engine placed on the market under the flexibility scheme’ *in accordance with the requirements referred to in Section 5 of Annex I.*

Or. en

Amendment 54
Salvatore Tatarella

Proposal for a directive – amending act
Annex I

Directive 2000/25/EC
Annex IV - section 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

**3. ACTIONS BY THE APPROVAL
AUTHORITY**

**3.1. The approval authority shall
evaluate the content of the flexibility
scheme request and the enclosed
documents. As a consequence it will
inform the tractor manufacturer of its
decision as to whether or not to allow
use of the flexibility scheme *as requested*.**

Or. en