

Amendment 123**Seb Dance**

on behalf of the S&D Group

Report**A8-0249/2015****Julie Girling**

Emissions of certain atmospheric pollutants

COM(2013)0920 – C7-0004/2014 – 2013/0443(COD)

Proposal for a directive**Recital 20***Text proposed by the Commission**Amendment*

(20) It is necessary to amend Directive 2003/35/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council²⁶ with a view to ensuring consistency of this Directive with the 1998 Aarhus Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-Making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters.

(20) It is necessary to amend Directive 2003/35/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council²⁶ with a view to ensuring consistency of this Directive **and Directive 2008/50/EC** with the 1998 Aarhus Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-Making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters.

²⁶ Directive 2003/35/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 May 2003 providing for public participation in respect of the drawing up of certain plans and programmes relating to the environment and amending with regard to public participation and access to justice Council Directives 85/337/EEC and 96/61/EC (OJ L156, 25.6.2003, p. 17).

²⁶ Directive 2003/35/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 May 2003 providing for public participation in respect of the drawing up of certain plans and programmes relating to the environment and amending with regard to public participation and access to justice Council Directives 85/337/EEC and 96/61/EC (OJ L156, 25.6.2003, p. 17).

Or. en

Justification

Directive 2003/35/EC provides for public participation in the formulation of plans and programmes relating to the environment, including, but not limited to, plans and programmes required by those Directives listed at Annex I. According to recital 10, it was intended that “for the future, public participation requirements in line with the Århus Convention will be incorporated into the relevant legislation from the outset.” However, this did not happen in the case of Directive 2008/50/EC, the Ambient Air Quality Directive. As a consequence, in

some member states, the public is not given the opportunity to participate in the formulation of air quality plans. As the Commission proposal is already amending Directive 2003/35/EC to add National Programmes under the NEC Directive to the list in Annex I, this is an opportunity to also add air quality plans and thereby ensure coherence between the Ambient Air Quality Directive and the NEC Directive and ensure both pieces of legislation comply with the Aarhus Convention.

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Amendment 124

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Proposal for a directive

Article 6 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. The Commission shall ensure that all EU source-based air pollution policies are fit for purpose and contribute towards reaching the EU's air quality objectives.

To that end, the Commission and the Member States shall immediately agree on the new Real Driving Emissions (RDE) regulation proposal currently under consideration.

The new type approval test method shall apply no later than 2017 and ensure that pollutants such as NO_x, and particulate matter (PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀) are effectively limited under conformity factors necessary to represent real driving conditions. The new tests shall be independent and transparent.

These conformity factors shall be strict and quantified to only represent the uncertainty of the RDE test procedure.

No later than 2017, the Commission shall establish an independent EU type approval authority which will be responsible for monitoring the new RDE type approval test method and coordinating in-use surveillance of vehicles with Member State authorities.

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Amendment 125

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Proposal for a directive

Article 16 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

In Annex I of Directive 2003/35/EC, the following letter (g) shall be added:

Amendment

In Annex I of Directive 2003/35/EC, the following letters (g) **and (h)** shall be added:

Or. en

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Amendment 126

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Proposal for a directive

Article 16 – point 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

“(h) Article 23 of Directive 2008/50/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 May 2008 on ambient air quality and cleaner air for Europe.”

Or. en

Justification

Directive 2003/35/EC provides for public participation in the formulation of plans and programmes relating to the environment, including, but not limited to, plans and programmes required by those Directives listed at Annex I. According to recital 10, it was intended that “for the future, public participation requirements in line with the Århus Convention will be incorporated into the relevant legislation from the outset.” However, this did not happen in the case of Directive 2008/50/EC, the Ambient Air Quality Directive. As a consequence, in some member states, the public is not given the opportunity to participate in the formulation of air quality plans. As the Commission proposal is already amending Directive 2003/35/EC to add National Programmes under the NEC Directive to the list in Annex I, this is an opportunity to also add air quality plans and thereby ensure coherence between the Ambient Air Quality Directive and the NEC Directive and ensure both pieces of legislation comply with the Aarhus Convention.