Amendment 65
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Report
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Inclusion of greenhouse gas emissions and removals from land use, land use change and forestry into the 2030 climate and energy framework

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 3 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission
The national forestry accounting plan shall contain all the elements listed in Annex IV, section B and include a **proposed** new forest reference level based on the continuation of current forest management practice and intensity, as documented between **1990-2009** per forest type and per age class in national forests, expressed in tonnes of CO₂ equivalent per year.

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The national forestry accounting plan shall contain all the elements listed in Annex IV, section B and include a new forest reference level based on the continuation of current forest management practice **in accordance with the best available data**, as documented between **2000-2012** per forest type and per age class in national forests, expressed in tonnes of CO₂ equivalent per year.

An increase in harvest by a Member State, based on sustainable forest management practices and on national policies adopted up to the date of submission of the forest reference level, shall respect the following conditions:

(a) that managed forest land remains a sink of GHGs; and

(b) that ways of maintaining or enhancing the sink and reservoirs of GHGs by 2050, with a view to fulfilling the objective set out in Article 4.1 of the Paris Agreement, namely that of achieving a balance between anthropogenic emissions by sources and removals by sinks of greenhouse gases in the second half of this century,
are outlined in a long-term low-emission strategy.

The Commission may grant a derogation from the base period 2000-2012 upon submission of a reasoned request by a Member State, justifying that such a derogation is absolutely necessary for reasons of data availability, such as the timing of forest inventories.