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PRESS RELEASE

EWABA-wide 3-month pilot of the Union Database for Biofuels with Bioledger

The EWABA association, representing 50+ stakeholders from the EU waste-based and advanced biodiesel supply chain, announces the start of a 3-month pilot of the Union Database for Biofuels (UDB) for its members under the guidance of UK-service provider Bioledger.

“The UDB is expected to bring a significant boost to traceability and transparency across the biofuels supply chain. We initiated this pilot to help our members become entirely familiarized with UDB requirements and identify any issues that we could address with the European Commission ahead of the deadline. We are thrilled to launch this collective pilot aiming to facilitate a prompt and efficient roll-out of the database.” EWABA Secretary General Angel Alvarez Alberdi said.

“The Commission database has been built over the last 4 years of stakeholder consultation and is ready for testing. This pilot will give EWABA members relatively unique insight and time to prepare their operations and supply chains for a digital reporting system that is more appropriate to the scale and risk of the modern sustainable biofuel supply chain”, Patrick Lynch, CEO of Bioledger said.

A few words on the UDB:

Directive (EU) 2018/2001 - REDII (Art 28.2) introduced the concept of a Union Database (UDB), to enable the tracing of liquid and gaseous transport fuels that are eligible for being counted towards the RED targets.

Each Economic Operator (EO) along the entire supply chain will have to register all transactions of all relevant feedstocks, intermediate products and fuels, which can only occur between entities on the database. Registration under the UDB should be compulsory for all EOs from 1 January 2024 according to the European Commission.

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About EWABA

EWABA is a Brussels-based association representing the interests of the European waste-based and advanced biofuels industry before EU institutions, national governments, industry, civil society and the media. We promote the inclusion of waste-based and advanced biofuels in the EU fuel mix as a sustainable means of reducing greenhouse gas emissions in EU transport. Our 50+ members active in most EU Member States collect and use waste and advanced feedstocks listed in parts A and B of Annex IX of the Renewable Energy Directive (REDII) to produce sustainable biodiesel with the highest GHG savings (up to +90%) when compared with fossil fuels, thus enabling “near-term decarbonization” of the EU road and maritime transport sectors. <https://www.ewaba.eu/>

About Bioledger

Bioledger, an EWABA member, is an independent software provider spun out of the biofuels industry in response to demand from both regulators and industry for digital reporting tools that simplify compliance and improve traceability. Bioledger is the only Service Provider enabled to support automated transactions into the Union Database, as nominated by the Voluntary Schemes 2BS and RSB. It's mass balance application for producers and traders and mobile app for first collectors is used by 49 companies in 26 countries representing more than 2 million mt of biofuel production per year. <https://www.bioledger.io/>