

PRESS RELEASE

Today's European Parliament position on the REDIII is good for waste-based and advanced biodiesel but our industry expects greater convergence with Member States' more favorable policy choices during trilogue negotiations

EWABA, EU association representing the European waste-based and advanced biodiesel industry, welcomes today's European Parliament plenary vote on the revision of the Renewable Energy Directive (REDIII) legislative proposal.

Our industry welcomes the Parliament's provision to **increase the existing proposed limit to Annex IX Part B feedstocks** (used cooking oil-UCO and animal fats cats 1 and 2) subject to an expected imminent revision of Annex IX via a Commission delegated Regulation. We note that regarding this limitation, the Member States' approach as included in **the Council negotiating position constitutes a more solid policy choice** as it gives Member States more flexibility to modify the limits in accordance with their specific decarbonization needs and regulatory preferences.

In any event, our industry believes that the inclusion of amendments on softening the Annex IX Part B limitation in the negotiating texts of both co-legislators would indicate that **some sort of flexibility will indeed make it to the final agreement following trilogue negotiations**, in line with our industry's recommendations and ensuring continuous support to the uptake of waste-based biodiesel to decarbonize the road/heavy duty and maritime sectors.

Flexibility for the contribution of Annex IXB feedstocks coupled with the **reintroduction of the double counting promotion mechanism** for the whole of Annex IX, as currently proposed in the Council General approach, will ensure the continuous supply of sustainable waste-based and advanced biodiesel into the EU fuel mix at a time of immense pressure on fuel security and increased calls for EU fossil fuel independency.

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 [+35 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.