Complementary assessment table for the certification of RFNBOs and RCF

Summary

An assessment has been made on compliance of the [scheme name], as submitted to the European Commission for recognition, with the requirements for certifying compliance with the criteria for producing renewable fuels of non-biological origin (RFNBOs) and recycled carbon fuels (RCF) set out in Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/1184 and Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/1185. The requirements complement the general requirements for ensuring standards of reliability, transparency and independent auditing required by Directive 2018/2001 for certifying compliance with the sustainability and greenhouse gas saving criteria.

[The assessment results indicate a number of issues with specific requirements for certifying RFNBOs and RCF. Requirements and recommendations are detailed further in this document.]

OR

[The assessment results indicate that the [scheme] meets the requirements for certifying RFNBOs and RCF.]

Assessment results

The scope of the scheme is presented in the table below. The detailed assessment results are available in Annex 1.

Assessment of the scope of the scheme

Scope	Covered	Comment
Production of renewable fuels of non-biological origin		
(RFNBOs) from:		
partially renewable electricity	N	
fully renewable electricity: Direct connection	N	
fully renewable electricity: Grid connection	N	
Combinations	N	
Production of RFNBOs in third countries	N	
Recycled carbon fuels (RCF)	N	
Calculation of emission intensity of RCF and RFNBOs	N	

Annex 1: Detailed assessment results

Methodology for producing RFNBOs and determining greenhouse gas emissions savings of RFNBOs and RCF

Scope and Definitions		
Requirement	Guidance	Assessment
Definitions	 Provide guidance ensuring compliance with the use of defined terms are used: Distinguish between RCF, RFNBOs and other fuels "bidding zone" "direct line" "installation generating renewable electricity" "fuel producer" "come into operation" "smart metering system" "imbalance settlement period" 	N [document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx

Greenhouse gas emissions savings		
Requirement	Guidance	Assessment
1.1 Set out the minimum requirements for the greenhouse gas emission savings from the use of RFNBOs and RCF	 Article 25(1) sets out RFNBOs have to achieve at least 70% emissions savings Article 2 of the GHG methodology sets out that recycled carbon fuels have to achieve at least 70% emissions savings. 	<pre>N [document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx</pre>
1.2 Correct representation of formula, methodology and data	The methodology for assessing greenhouse gas emissions savings is set out in the Annex to Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2023/847	[document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • XXX
1.3 Rules for determining the amounts of RFNBOs and RCF produced including instructions co-processing and for determining the emission intensity of fuels	 Include general formula for calculation of the emission intensity of a process using different types of inputs Explain which types of inputs are considered in the numerator and denominator Include rules for co-processing Set correct timeframe for calculation of the average 	<pre>N [document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx</pre>

	Explain rules for averaging of emissions of fuels meeting 70% emission savings	
1.4 Calculation of e exe-use	Include requirements for Eligible CO2 sources Rules for sourcing fossil-based CO2 including an effective carbon pricing system and the phase out RCF feedstock	<pre>N [document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx</pre>
1.5 Detailed instructions for distinction between rigid and elastic inputs	See points 4,7 and 9 of the emission calculation methodology	[document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx
1.6 Detailed instructions for calculating emission intensity of grid electricity in countries or bidding zones	See points 5 and 6 of the emission calculation methodology and Chapter C of the Annex	[document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx

1.7 Determination of the emission intensity over the supply chain.	See point 8 of the emission calculation methodology	[document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx
1.8 Allocation of emissions to products and co-products	See point 15 of the emission calculation methodology	document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx

2. Production criteria for RFNBOs		
Requirement	Guidance	Assessment
2.1 Rules for producing RFNBOs from partially renewable electricity	Specify requirements for implementation of set out in the fourth subparagraph of Article 27(3) RED	<pre>N [document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx</pre>
2.2 Rules for sourcing electricity from directly connected installations	Specify requirements in line with Article 3 of the additionality delegated act including:	<pre>N [document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx</pre>
2.3 Rules for sourcing renewable electricity from the grid:	 Specify requirements in line with Articles 4 - 11 of the additionality delegated act, concerning Specific rules for sourcing of renewable electricity in bidding zones where the 	<pre>N [document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx</pre>

	share of renewable electricity exceeds	
	90%. (Article 4(1))	
	Specific rules for sourcing of renewable	
	electricity in bidding zones with emission	
	intensity of electricity < 18 g CO2eq/MJ.	
	(Article 4(2))	
	Specific rules for sourcing of renewable	
	electricity that prevents curtailment	
	renewable electricity generation. (Article	
	4(3))	
	Other cases, where compliance with	
	additionality and temporal and	
	geographic correlation is required.	
	(Article 4(4))	
2.3.2 Requirements additionality	Specify requirements in line with Article	[document name and section]
	5 of the additionality delegated act	• "quote"
	including for:	• "quote"
	Renewables PPAs	
	Requirements for renewable installations	Requirement:
	generating renewable electricity	• xxx
	Transitional phase	
2.3.3 Requirements temporal	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	[document name and section]
correlation	Article 6 of the additionality delegated	• "quote"
	act are implemented including the phase	• "quote"
	in period and the Article 6 third	
	subparagraph	Requirement:
		• xxx

2.3.4 Requirements geographic correlation	 Specify how the requirements set out in Article 7 of the additionality delegated act are implemented, including the provisions on Offshore bidding zones Interconnected bidding zones National requirements 	<pre>N [document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx</pre>
2.3.5 Implementation of equivalent rules in third countries (rules for a case-by case assessment)	 Specify how the concept of bidding zones is implemented in third countries Specify under which circumstances the provisions on curtailment set out in Article 4(3) can be applied Specify under which circumstances the provisions on temporal correlation set out in Article 6 third subparagraph can be applied 	<pre>N [document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx</pre>
2.4 Combination of electricity sourcing options	Specify how fuel producers can combine the available options for sourcing renewable electricity	N [document name and section] "quote" "quote" Requirement: xxx

2.5 Cancellation of GOs	 Include requirements on Guarantees of Origin that comply with the general requirements in article 19 of RED and furthermore carry the same attributes as the physical installation producing the electricity Article 19 RED applies only in the EU 	N [document name and section]
2.6 Data storage and management	Specify how fuel producers fulfil the requirements set out in Article 8	<pre>N [document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx</pre>
2.7 Specific rules for audits of RFNBO production)	Complement the auding rules by dedicated rules for audits of RFNBO and/or RCF producers	[document name and section] • "quote" • "quote" Requirement: • xxx