

KINGDOM OF BELGIUM

**FEDERAL PUBLIC SERVICE
ECONOMY, S.M.E.s, SELF-EMPLOYED AND ENERGY**

Draft Royal Decree amending Article 2 of the Royal Decree of 3 July 2018 on the designations and characteristics of the gas oil intended for heating and of Article 2 of the Royal Decree of 8 July 2018 on the designation and characteristics of gas-oil diesel and petrols

PHILIPPE, KING OF THE BELGIANS,

To all who are here now or will be hereafter, Greetings.

Having regard to Article 5(1)(1)(1) and (3), and (2)(1)(1) of the Act of 21 December 1998 on product standards to promote sustainable production and consumption patterns and to protect the environment, public health and employees;

Having regard to Article VI.9 of the Code of Economic Law [Wetboek van economisch recht];

Having regard to the Royal Decree of 3 July 2018 on the designations and characteristics of the gas oil intended for heating;

Having regard to the Royal Decree of 8 July 2018 on the designation and characteristics of gas-oil diesel and petrols;

Having regard to the opinion of the Inspector of Finance, issued on 23 January 2024;

Having regard to the opinion of the Superior Health Council, given on xxx;

Having regard to the opinion of the Supreme Council for the Self-Employed and Small and Medium Enterprises, given on xxx;

Having regard to the opinion of the Central Economic Council, issued on xxx;

Having regard to the opinion of the Federal Council for Sustainable Development, issued on xxx;

Having regard to the opinion of the Special Advisory Committee on Consumption, given on xxx;

Having regard to the consultation with the Regions at the Interministerial Conference on the Environment of xxx;

Having regard to the communication to the European Commission sent on XXX, pursuant to Article 5(1) of Directive (EU) 2015/1535 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 9 September 2015 laying down a procedure for the provision of information in the field of technical regulations and of rules on Information Society services;

Having regard to opinion X of the Council of State, issued on, pursuant to Article 84(1)(1)(2) of the Council of State Acts, coordinated on 12 January 1973;

On the recommendation of the Minister for the Economy, the Minister for the Self-Employed, the Minister for Health and the Minister for Energy,

WE HAVE DECREED AND DECREE HEREWITH:

Article 1. The following amendments are made to Article 2 of the Royal Decree of 3 July 2018 on the names and characteristics of gas oil intended for heating:

1° in the provision under 2°, the words 'type B' shall be deleted;

2° the Article shall be supplemented by a provision in point 3°, which reads:

'3° the heating gas oil does not contain compounds of the type FAME or HVO or any other type of biofuel produced from biomass.'

Article 2. In the introductory sentence of Article 2(1) of the Royal Decree of 8 July 2018 on the designation and characteristics of gas-oil diesel and petrols, the words 'other than heating applications' are inserted between the words 'road applications and non-road applications' and the words ', hereinafter referred to as gas-oil diesel'.

Article 3. This Decree shall enter into force on xx 2024.

Article 4. The Minister for the Economy, the Minister for the Self-Employed, the Minister for Public Health and the Minister for Energy shall be responsible, in their own fields, for the implementation of this Decree.

Issued at

On behalf of His Majesty:

The Minister of the Economy,

The Minister for the Self-Employed,

The Minister for Public Health,

The Minister for Energy,