

The Contribution to the new European NRMM-Regulation

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Main Issues for today



- **Non Road Mobile Machinery (NRMM)**
- **VERT Contribution on NRMM**
- **State of Play in the EU-decision making process**

About Arbeiterkammer (AK)

- represents 3.3 million employees and consumers in Austria
- Self-governing body regulated by public law
- main tasks:
 - Think-Thank for Austrian Trade Unions
 - Participation in and control of legislation
 - Services to members



***Proposal for a new EU-Regulation on
Emission limits and type-approval for
internal combustion engines for non-road
mobile machinery***

COM (2014) 581 + Annexes

**AK-Position Paper on NRMM available
under www.akeuropa.eu**

Objectives of NRMM

- **New framework**
- **Adressing environmental needs**
- **A more harmonised framework for the EU and USA**



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Main Issues of NRMM

- **Stage V – emission values for NRMM categories**
- **PN count for certain NRMM categories**
- **New motor categories under NRMM – framework**
- **Market surveillance in EU-Member States**



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Contributing to the EU-Decision Process

Our network:

- **VERT**
- **Transport & Environment
+ Deutsche Umwelthilfe**
- **AK + European Federation
of Building and Wood
Workers (EFBWW)**



VERT Contribution on NRMM /1

- **Particle count criterion in accordance with the state-of-the-art technology for all engine categories**
- **Emission value for NO₂ for all engine categories**
- **EU-provisions on placing on the market may not prejudice Member State to rule on the use of engines covered by NRMM**



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VERT Contribution on NRMM /2

- **Revision of emission values for CO and Hydrocarbons in the NRSh and NRS categories**
- **Promoting the use of benzene-free petrol**
- **No exemptions for tractors, agricultural agricultural and forestry vehicles**
- **Periodic monitoring of emission requirements for NRMM engines and their onsite monitoring**



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EU Commission's Response /1

On PN count and state of the technology:

- ***“balanced approach between environmental, social, health and safety, economic and technical feasibility aspects.”***
- ***“Particle number (PN) limits for the bulk of engines have been proposed, accepting even the (not undisputed) deviation from the principle of harmonisation with US emission limit values!”***



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EU-Commission's Response /2

On placing on the market vs national rules on the use of NRMM engines:

- ***NRMM “exclusively rules on the criteria for the placing on the market of NRMM engines and has, as such, no mandate to rule on the use of NRMM engines once these are actually on the market. Against this background, the right for Member States to act on the use of any such NRMM engines is not compromised.”***



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EU-Commission's Response /3

On exempting agricultural machinery:

- ***“The exclusion of engines for the propulsion of agricultural and forestry engines from the scope of the NRMM Regulation is required for formal reasons given that these dispose of their own specific legislation and that overlap of legislation must be avoided. The exclusion, however, does by no means imply that this specific legislation cannot make reference to the NRMM Regulation with regard to emission limit values.”***



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EU-Commission's Response /4

On alternative fuels:

- ***any provisions relating to the use of fuels and/or lubricants – as suggested in your position paper – are not conceivable in the scope of this NRMM Regulation dealing with placing on the market”***



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NRMM in EU Council



EU Council

- Negotiations in the „**Working Group of the Council Technical Harmonisation**”
- Latvian EU-Presidency plans a “**Common Position**” in **June 2015**

NRMM in European Parliament



NRMM in European Parliament (EP)

Awaiting discussion in EP-committees for

- **“Environment, Public Health and Food”**
- **“Internal Market and Consumer Protection”**
- EP-Rapporteur **Elisabetta Gardini (PPE)** and “Shadows” have been appointed.



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Get into touch with NRMM decision-makers!



- Officials in ministries at national level
- Members of European Parliament (MEPs)



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**Thank you for your attention and
comments!**

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