

COMMISSION DECISION (EU) 2017/1471**of 10 August 2017****amending Decision 2013/162/EU to revise Member States' annual emission allocations for the period from 2017 to 2020***(notified under document C(2017) 5556)*

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Decision No 406/2009/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the effort of Member States to reduce their greenhouse gas emissions to meet the Community's greenhouse gas emission reduction commitments up to 2020 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular the fourth subparagraph of Article 3(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Decision 2013/162/EU ⁽²⁾ determines Member States' annual emission allocations (AEAs) for the period from 2013 to 2020 using the data from Member States' greenhouse gas (GHG) inventories determined in accordance with the 1996 Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, available at the time of its adoption.
- (2) After the adoption of Decision 2013/162/EU, Article 6 of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 666/2014 ⁽³⁾ required Member States to report greenhouse gas inventories determined in accordance with the 2006 IPCC Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories, and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) reporting guidelines on annual inventories as set out in Decision 24/CP.19 of the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC.
- (3) Article 27 of Regulation (EU) No 525/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽⁴⁾ requires the Commission to examine the impact of the use of the 2006 IPCC guidelines, or of changes to UNFCCC methodologies used, on the Member State's total greenhouse gas emissions relevant for Article 3 of Decision No 406/2009/EC by December 2016, with a view to ensuring consistency between the methodologies used for the determination of the AEAs and the annual reporting by Member States after the date of that examination.
- (4) In accordance with Article 27 of Regulation (EU) No 525/2013 and based on the GHG inventory data as reviewed under Article 19 of that Regulation, the Commission examined the impact of the use of the 2006 IPCC Guidelines, and of changes to UNFCCC methodologies used, on Member State's GHG inventories. The difference in the total greenhouse gas emissions relevant for Article 3 of Decision No 406/2009/EC exceeds 1 % for most Member States. In the light of this examination, all Member States' annual emission allocations for the years 2017 to 2020 contained in Annex II to Decision 2013/162/EU should be revised in order to take into account the updated inventory data reported and reviewed pursuant to Article 19 of Regulation (EU) No 525/2013 in 2016. Such revision should be done using the same methodology as the one used for determining the annual emission allocations by Decision 2013/162/EU.
- (5) The revision of AEAs should be limited to those that were allocated for the years 2017 to 2020, since for greenhouse gas emissions for the years 2013 to 2016 Member States can no longer change their policies and measures. However, in the interests of clarity the whole Annex II to Decision 2013/162/EU should be replaced, while keeping the AEAs for the years 2013 to 2016 unchanged.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 140, 5.6.2009, p. 136.

⁽²⁾ Commission Decision 2013/162/EU of 26 March 2013 on determining Member States' annual emission allocations for the period from 2013 to 2020 pursuant to Decision No 406/2009/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 90, 28.3.2013, p. 106).

⁽³⁾ Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 666/2014 of 12 March 2014 establishing substantive requirements for a Union inventory system and taking into account changes in the global warming potentials and internationally agreed inventory guidelines pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 525/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council (OJ L 179, 19.6.2014, p. 26).

⁽⁴⁾ Regulation (EU) No 525/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 May 2013 on a mechanism for monitoring and reporting greenhouse gas emissions and for reporting other information at national and Union level relevant to climate change and repealing Decision No 280/2004/EC (OJ L 165, 18.6.2013, p. 13).

- (6) Article 2 of Decision 2013/162/EU refers to global warming potential values from the 4th IPCC Assessment Report as adopted by Decision 15/CP.17 of the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC. In the meanwhile the Conference of the Parties to the UNFCCC adopted a new Decision 24/CP.19 recalling Decision 15/CP.17 and confirming the values from the 4th IPCC Assessment Report. Article 7 of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 666/2014 requires Member States and the Commission to use the global warming potentials listed in Annex III to Decision 24/CP.19 for the purpose of determining and reporting greenhouse gas inventories pursuant to paragraphs 1 to 5 of Article 7 of Regulation (EU) No 525/2013. In the interests of clarity the reference to Decision 15/CP.17 in Article 2 of Decision 2013/162/EU should therefore be replaced by a reference to Decision 24/CP.19.
- (7) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Climate Change Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Decision 2013/162/EU is amended as follows:

- (1) In Article 2, 'Decision 15/CP.17' is replaced by 'Decision 24/CP.19';
- (2) Annex II is replaced by the text in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 10 August 2017.

For the Commission
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Member of the Commission

ANNEX

'ANNEX II

Member States Annual Emissions Allocation for the year 2013 to 2020 calculated applying global warming potential values from the fourth IPCC assessment report

Member State	Annual Emission Allocation (tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent)							
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Belgium	82 376 327	80 774 027	79 171 726	77 569 425	76 190 376	74 703 759	73 217 143	71 730 526
Bulgaria	28 661 817	28 897 235	29 132 652	29 368 070	27 481 112	27 670 637	27 860 163	28 049 688
Czech Republic	65 452 506	66 137 845	66 823 185	67 508 524	67 971 770	68 581 207	69 190 644	69 800 080
Denmark	36 829 163	35 925 171	35 021 179	34 117 187	34 775 642	33 871 444	32 967 246	32 063 048
Germany	495 725 112	488 602 056	481 479 000	474 355 944	453 842 854	446 270 289	438 697 724	431 125 160
Estonia	6 296 988	6 321 312	6 345 636	6 369 960	5 928 965	5 960 550	5 992 135	6 023 720
Ireland	47 226 256	46 089 109	44 951 963	43 814 816	41 194 830	40 110 780	39 026 731	37 942 682
Greece	61 003 810	61 293 018	61 582 226	61 871 434	61 029 668	61 298 009	61 566 349	61 834 690
Spain	235 551 490	233 489 390	231 427 291	229 365 191	225 664 376	223 560 157	221 455 939	219 351 720
France	408 762 813	403 877 606	398 580 044	393 282 481	371 789 603	366 284 473	360 779 342	355 274 211
Croatia	21 196 005	21 358 410	21 520 815	21 683 221	20 147 020	20 330 287	20 513 553	20 696 819
Italy	317 768 849	315 628 134	313 487 419	311 346 703	307 153 729	304 562 057	301 970 385	299 378 714
Cyprus	5 919 071	5 922 555	5 926 039	5 929 524	4 196 633	4 122 837	4 049 042	3 975 247
Latvia	9 279 248	9 370 072	9 460 897	9 551 721	9 747 135	9 834 273	9 921 411	10 008 549
Lithuania	17 153 997	17 437 556	17 721 116	18 004 675	18 033 267	18 327 321	18 621 376	18 915 430
Luxembourg	9 814 716	9 610 393	9 406 070	9 201 747	8 992 800	8 780 781	8 568 762	8 356 742
Hungary	50 796 264	51 906 630	53 016 996	54 127 362	50 432 363	51 347 175	52 261 987	53 176 800
Malta	1 168 514	1 166 788	1 165 061	1 163 334	1 174 524	1 173 666	1 172 808	1 171 950
Netherlands	125 086 859	122 775 394	120 463 928	118 152 462	116 032 216	113 763 728	111 495 240	109 226 752
Austria	54 643 228	54 060 177	53 477 125	52 894 074	51 372 672	50 751 430	50 130 188	49 508 946
Poland	204 579 390	205 621 337	206 663 283	207 705 229	210 107 929	211 642 729	213 177 529	214 712 329
Portugal	49 874 317	50 139 847	50 405 377	50 670 907	48 431 756	48 811 632	49 191 508	49 571 384
Romania	83 080 513	84 765 858	86 451 202	88 136 547	90 958 677	92 739 954	94 521 231	96 302 508
Slovenia	12 278 677	12 309 309	12 339 941	12 370 573	12 161 170	12 196 719	12 232 267	12 267 816
Slovakia	25 877 815	26 203 808	26 529 801	26 855 793	26 759 746	27 028 129	27 296 513	27 564 896
Finland	33 497 046	32 977 333	32 457 619	31 937 905	31 771 327	31 185 203	30 599 079	30 012 956
Sweden	43 386 459	42 715 001	42 043 544	41 372 087	39 377 620	38 772 710	38 167 800	37 562 890
United Kingdom	358 980 526	354 455 751	349 930 975	345 406 200	360 630 247	357 464 952	354 299 657	351 134 362'