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### **Carbon Calculator updated**

Our Carbon Calculator is a free stand-alone online tool that contains default values for the carbon emissions associated with various types of biofuels. It allows fuel suppliers to calculate the carbon saved for a consignment of biofuel. The tool has recently been updated so please ensure you have the latest version available on the [Department's website](#) or use the 'check for updates' facility in your current version.

### **Greenhouse Gas Reporting Regulations**

The Government has published its [response](#) on measures to implement the greenhouse gas (GHG) reporting requirements of the EC Fuel Quality Directive. As of January 2013 a new set of greenhouse gas reporting regulations will apply to all suppliers of road transport and NRMM fuel who supply 450,000 litres or more fuel per annum. Please note that these regulations are essentially already fulfilled by RTFO account holders by their reporting under the RTFO, and that therefore the large majority of fuel suppliers will not be required to gather any new information to report under the regulations.

### **RTFC Carry over Guidance**

Guidance on how to 'carry over' RTFCs issued in the pre-RED part of Year 4 of the RTFO ('Year 4a') for redemption in Year 5 has been sent out to all obligated suppliers.

Suppliers wishing to carry over 'pre RED' RTFCs into Year 5 must have their data independently verified against the mandatory sustainability requirements.

Applications for carry over will be allowed from 28 September to 17 December 2012.

### **EC accounting rules for green fuels**

The European Commission has concluded after an impact assessment, that there is no need for specific rules on how electricity, hydrogen and

biomethane should be accounted for in the EU's 10% transport target for renewables.

It said that good methods were already in place to calculate the contribution from electricity and biomethane and that rules for hydrogen are not needed before 2020.

Full details of the decision are available on the Commission's [website](#).

### **Stakeholder meeting on 7 November**

We will be holding a stakeholder meeting in the morning at [Great Minister House](#) covering the latest policy news and statistics on UK biofuel supply, this will be followed by a separate workshop for suppliers and verifiers which is expected to go into the afternoon. Amongst the items on the agenda at the workshop will be, feedback from the RTFO Unit on administrator checks on evidence and discussion items. Please RSVP to [biofuel-sustainability@dft.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:biofuel-sustainability@dft.gsi.gov.uk) stating clearly whether you wish to attend the meeting, the workshop or both.

An agenda and timings will be posted on the [DfT website](#) in due course.

