

State Aid: Commission Decides Fiscal Support Measure Granted by Walloon Region to Renewi Does Not Constitute State Aid

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On 3 March 2023, the European Commission decided that a fiscal support measure given by the Walloon region to Renewi by applying a reduced rate for waste recovery operations based on government-granted certificates does not constitute State Aid.

The Commission assessed the Walloon measure under the State Aid rules of Article 107(1) of the [Treaty on the Functioning of the EU \(TFEU\)](#), as well as the conditions adopted by the Court of Justice of the EU to characterise a recovery operation.

According to information submitted by the parties during an in-depth investigation, the Commission considers that the Walloon authorities correctly applied the valuation classification for the transaction in question and the resulting reduced tax rate in line with the relevant Walloon legislation.

Therefore, the Commission concluded that the Walloon measure does not confer a selective economic advantage on Renewi and does not constitute State aid within the meaning of EU rules.

The full text of the press release is available [here](#).