

The European Association of Internal Combustion Engine and Alternative Powertrain Manufacturers

EUROMOT POSITION

EUROMOT RESPONSE TO CONSULTATION ON CBAM REGISTRY AND CBAM DECLARANTS

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EUROMOT, the European Association of Internal Combustion Engine and Alternative Powertrain Manufacturers, represents the key manufacturers of internal combustion engines and alternative powertrains installed in industrial non-road mobile machinery, marine and stationary applications that are operating in Europe and worldwide.

We, EUROMOT, would like to comment on the DRAFT Implementing Regulation (IR) on "Carbon Boarder Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) – authorizing CBAM declarants".

Regarding Article 6 (Intended negative decision and appeal) in points (2) and (3):

- (2). The competent authority shall state the following in the communication to the applicant: (a) the intention of and the reasons for refusing to grant the status of authorised CBAM declarant; (b) the period within which the applicant can submit its observations.
- (3). The period referred to in point (b) of the second paragraph shall run from the date on which the competent authority notified the applicant of the communication and shall not exceed 30 calendar days.

The following might need clarification:

- 1. What exactly do the "observations" indicate? Does this mean that authorized CBAM declarant will contact and confirm from the competent authority the reason for the refusal to grant the status of authorized CBAM declarant? Or does this mean that authorized CBAM declarant needs to provide some evidence or an explanation to the competent authority to overturn a denial of the authorization? It is unclear to us what is required in terms of submitting "observations".
- 2. Depending on the requirements (difficulties) for "observations", 30 calendar days may be too short. If the applicant simply needs to contact the competent authority, 30 calendar days would be fine. But if the applicant is required to submit detail evidence or reasons to overturn the denial, 30 calendar days seems too short for the applicant.



Regarding Article 9 (Status of authorisation and CBAM accounts) in points (1) and (2):

- (1). An authorisation shall be registered in the CBAM registry in one of the following statuses: (a) 'active'; (b) 'revoked'.
- (2). Where a CBAM authorisation is revoked the CBAM account shall remain under the status 'closed' in accordance with Article 16(4) of Regulation (EU) 2023/956 until the fifth year following the revocation. A 'closed' CBAM account shall be reopened by the competent authority allowing the owner to fulfil a obligation to surrender the correct number of CBAM certificates further to the review of a submitted CBAM declaration in accordance with Article 19(5) of Regulation (EU) 2023/956.

The following might also need to be clarified:

- 1. What exactly does the status "closed" indicate? If the authorization of a CBAM declarant is revoked by the competent authority or by the applicant itself, does this mean that the CBAM account of the applicant will remain in the closed status for 5 years with past registration information (e.g. geographic information of CBAM declarant, operator and installations and declaration history etc.)?
- 2. Does it indirectly mean that if an applicant of CBAM declaration wants to reopen their CBAM account again, the applicant can reopen the closed CBAM account within 5 years without having to create a newer CBAM account?
- 3. What is the implication of the 'closed' status? Can we interpret it that if a CBAM authorization of a declarant (importer) is revoked for some reasons by the authority, the importer *cannot import* any CBAM goods for 5 years because their CBAM account has been 'closed' and locked. Depending on the interpretation, five years may or may not be too be long to close a CBAM account.

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Delivering dependable power for society at high energy conversion efficiency with low emissions remains a key objective of EUROMOT member companies. EUROMOT asserts internal combustion engines and alternative powertrains are a key enabler to address the additional societal need for decarbonisation across multiple industry sectors. This can be achieved by continuing to advance the development of highly efficient energy conversion systems capable of operating on low and net-zero Greenhouse Gas (GHG) energy carriers.

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