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Extension to the plug-in van grant (PIVG) to cover heavier vehicles (N2 and N3 category)

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1. Structured Information Line

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5. Title

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6. Products Concerned

The grant scheme will provide capital funding to support the uptake of ultra-low emission vehicles (ULEVs) in the UK, specifically for vans and trucks.

Having previously supported light vans (N1 category vehicles, which have a maximum mass of up to 3.5 tonnes) we are now expanding the existing scheme to also cover heavier vehicles (N2 and N3 category vehicles, which have a maximum mass of greater than 3.5 tonnes).

7. Notification Under Another Act

8. Main Content

The scheme has already been notified as a technical standard - Notification Number 2015/154/UK. This new notification is to cover the extension of the scheme to cover heavier vehicles. These heavier vehicles will also benefit from an initially higher level of grant (up to £20,000, compared to a grant of up to £8,000 for other vehicles eligible under the scheme)

This grant scheme will provide up to £31 million in capital grant funding over five years (April 2015 to March 2020).

The scheme is non-discriminatory with regard to the origin of the product concerned. In particular, it avoids favouring only the sale of vehicles of domestic manufacturers. Moreover, the scheme does not include characteristics which could discriminate against similar cars coming from other Member States. The scheme also does not discriminate against the different technologies that can be used in ULEVs. The scheme will be annually reviewed.

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Eligibility Criteria:

Qualifying vans must have CO2 emissions of 75g/km or less at tailpipe.

In addition, qualifying vans must have comparable levels of safety, performance and warranty to N1 class vehicles as defined under Regulation (EC) No 46/2007. Full criteria for eligibility is included in the Basic Text attached to this document 'Eligibility Criteria for Plug-In Van Grant'

Incentive:

20% of total cost of vehicle, up to a maximum of £20,000 to vans that meet eligibility criteria of the scheme. Higher grants are available for heavier vans, to account for their higher capital cost.

9. Brief Statement of Grounds

This measure is designed to promote uptake of ULEVs in the UK and to create a path to a sustainable mass market for ULEVs. Expansion of the ULEV market is a key area for the UK to meet its green house gas (GHG) aspirations as set out in the UK document '2050 Pathways' and the European Document 'EU Transport GHG Routes to 2050'.

This measure is a de facto technical specification linked to fiscal or financial measures affecting the consumption of products or services by encouraging compliance with those specifications, requirements or rules (as defined in Article 1(1f) of Directive 2015/1535/EU) and therefore no standstill period is required.

10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

No Basic Text exists

11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

12. Grounds for the Emergency

13. No

13. Confidentiality

14. Fiscal measures

Yes

15. Impact assessment

16. TBT and SPS aspects

TBT aspect

No - The draft is not a technical regulation nor a conformity assessment

SPS aspect

No - The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure



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