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# UK Low Carbon Bus programme - requirements for vehicle accreditation

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# Message

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#### 1. Structured Information Line

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#### 2. Member State

United Kingdom

# 3. Department Responsible

Department of Trade and Industry: Standards and Technical Regulations Directorate.

#### 3. Originating Department

Department for Transport: Cleaner Fuels & Vehicles Division.

# 4. Notification Number

2005/0169/UK - T40T

#### 5. Title

UK Low Carbon Bus programme - requirements for vehicle accreditation

#### 6. Products Concerned

All road-licensed buses complying with the definition of Class I or Class II of Directive 2001/85/EC (having a capacity exceeding 22 passengers).

#### 7. Notification Under Another Act

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#### 8. Main Content

The requirements contain the laboratory test requirements specific for gaining accreditation as a low carbon bus under the United Kingdom's aid programme which was notified to the European Commission pursuant to Article 88(3) of the Treaty of the European Communities on 15th March 2005. The proposal details the test procedure over which well-to-wheel carbon dioxide equivalent (CO2 equivalent) emissions are to be determined for buses having a conventional combustion engine, hybrid or pure electric powertrain.

The laboratory test of a complete bus is based on a chassis test cycle known as the Millbrook Route 159 test (MLTB). However, test data/results conducted on other chassis test cycles will be accepted if the low carbon bus programme's objective of achieving a 30% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions compared to a Euro 3 equivalent diesel bus of the same total passenger capacity over the applicable test cycle is achieved.

#### 9. Brief Statement of Grounds

The measure is needed to support the United Kingdom's Low Carbon Bus programme through a specific test and associated procedures on which to base assessment of whether a bus qualifies to be accredited as 'low carbon' according to the objectives of the programme.

#### 10. Reference Documents - Basic Texts

b) Aid No. N140/2005 (low carbon bus grant programme).

#### 11. Invocation of the Emergency Procedure

No

# 12. Grounds for the Emergency

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# 13. Confidentiality

No

# 14. Fiscal measures

No

# 15. Impact assessment

The impact assessment is attached.

# 16. TBT and SPS aspects

**TBT Aspect** 

No

The draft does not have a significant effect on international trade.

SPS Aspect

No

The draft is not a sanitary or phytosanitary measure in the sense of Annex A of the SPS Agreement.

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