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COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING DECISION (EU) 2024/2626 of 8 October 2024

recognising under Article 31(2) and (4) of Directive (EU) 2018/2001 that the report contains accurate data for the purposes of measuring the greenhouse gas emissions associated with the cultivation of wheat, maize and rapeseed in Lithuania

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION.

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Directive (EU) 2018/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources (1), and in particular Article 31(4) thereof,

Whereas:

- Directive (EU) 2018/2001 requires biofuels, bioliquids, and biomass fuels to save significant greenhouse gas emissions compared to fossil fuels so that they can be counted towards the targets set in that Directive. For this purpose, Article 29(10) sets specific emission savings thresholds for those fuels, and Article 31 regulates how to calculate the greenhouse gas emission savings from their use. When making those calculations, it is possible to use the default values set out in Annexes V and VI to Directive (EU) 2018/2001. Instead of the default values of greenhouse gas emissions from the cultivation of agricultural raw materials, it is possible to use typical values under some conditions. These typical values, representing the average value in a specific area, may be reported to the Commission by Member States or third countries. The typical values may only be used if the Commission recognises them to be accurate.
- On 25 July 2024, Lithuania submitted to the Commission the final report with data for the purposes of measuring (2) the greenhouse gas emissions associated with the cultivation of wheat, maize and rapeseed typically produced in areas on its territory classified as level 2 in the nomenclature of territorial units for statistics (NUTS), in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council (2). Lithuania asked for the data to be recognised as accurate in line with Article 31(4) of Directive (EU) 2018/2001.
- The Commission assessed the report and found that it contains accurate data for the purposes of measuring the greenhouse gas emissions associated with cultivating wheat, maize and rapeseed typically produced in NUTS 2 regions in Lithuania.
- (4) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee on the Sustainability of Biofuels, Bioliquids and Biomass Fuels,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The report submitted for recognition to the Commission by Lithuania on 25 July 2024 contains accurate data for the purposes of measuring the greenhouse gas emissions associated with the cultivation of wheat, maize and rapeseed typically produced in regions in NUTS 2 regions in Lithuania, pursuant to Article 31(4) of Directive (EU) 2018/2001. The summary of the report's data is set out in the Annex.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 328, 21.12.2018, p. 82, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2018/2001/oj.

Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 May 2003 on the establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS) (OJ L 154, 21.6.2003, p. 1, ELI: http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2003/1059/oj).

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Article 2

If the data contained in the report as submitted for recognition to the Commission on 25 July 2024, changes in a way that might affect the accuracy of the data and thereby the basis for this Decision, Lithuania shall notify the Commission of such changes immediately. The Commission shall assess the notified changes to determine whether the report still provides the accurate data for which it is recognised.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

It shall cease to apply on 29 October 2029.

Done at Brussels, 8 October 2024.

For the Commission
The President
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

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ANNEX

Greenhouse gas emissions arising from the cultivation of rapeseed in the Lithuanian NUTS2 regions (tonne CO_2 -eq/tonne rapeseed harvested on dry matter basis)

| NUTS 2 region according to Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 | Soil N ₂ O | | | Embedded | Fuel | Seed | Total | |
|--|-----------------------|----------|------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|
| | Direct | Indirect | Fertilizer | Neutralization | Pesticide | Use | | |
| Capital Region | 0,252 | 0,044 | 0,151 | 0,032 | 0,007 | 0,096 | 0,002 | 0,584 |
| Central and Western Lithuania Region | 0,226 | 0,036 | 0,128 | 0,027 | 0,006 | 0,082 | 0,002 | 0,507 |

Greenhouse gas emissions arising from the cultivation of wheat in the Lithuanian NUTS2 regions (tonne CO₂-eq/tonne wheat harvested on dry matter basis)

| NUTS 2 region according to Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 | Soil N ₂ O | | | Embedded | Fuel Use | Seed | Total | |
|--|-----------------------|----------|------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|
| | Direct | Indirect | Fertilizer | Neutralization | Pesticide | | | |
| Capital Region | 0,166 | 0,029 | 0,103 | 0,024 | 0,004 | 0,083 | 0,019 | 0,428 |
| Central and Western Lithuania Region | 0,126 | 0,022 | 0,075 | 0,017 | 0,003 | 0,062 | 0,013 | 0,318 |

Grenhouse gas emissions arising from the cultivation of maize in the Lithuanian NUTS2 regions (tonne CO₂-eq/tonne maize harvested on dry matter basis)

| NUTS 2 region according to Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 | Soil N ₂ O | | | Embedded | Fuel Use | Seed | Total | |
|--|-----------------------|----------|------------|----------------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|
| | Direct | Indirect | Fertilizer | Neutralization | Pesticide | | | |
| Capital Region | 0,192 | 0,036 | 0,154 | 0,027 | 0,001 | 0,051 | 0,002 | 0,462 |
| Central and Western Lithuania Region | 0,165 | 0,028 | 0,129 | 0,023 | 0,001 | 0,043 | 0,001 | 0,391 |