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## **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

### **1. CONTEXT OF THE DELEGATED ACT**

This Delegated Act amends Regulation (EU) 2019/1242 by adding vehicle sub-groups for extra-heavy-combination lorries and including these vehicles as separate vehicle sub-groups into the calculations of the targets in Annex I.

### **2. CONSULTATIONS PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF THE ACT**

The Commission sought feedback from stakeholders through:

- (a) consultation with the Expert Group of CO<sub>2</sub> from motor vehicles, including Member State authorities, vehicle manufacturers, suppliers and NGOs on 29 May, 18 July, 22 October and 14 November 2024. The comments submitted have been duly considered and taken into account, as appropriate.
- (b) 4-week public on-line consultation on the “Have your say” better regulation portal, from 07 March 2025 until 04 April 2025; it received 10 comments. The comments received through the portal, that were relevant to the act, supported the proposal and proposed several amendments. The proposed amendments went against the opinion of the Expert Group. In this context, such comments did not lead to changes in the present delegated act.

### **3. LEGAL ELEMENTS OF THE DELEGATED ACT**

The Commission is empowered to adopt this Delegated Act by Article 14 (1) points (a), (e), (f) and (g) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1242.

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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2019/1242 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 June 2019 setting CO<sub>2</sub> emission performance standards for new heavy-duty vehicles and amending Regulation (EC) No 595/2009 and (EU) 2018/956 of the European Parliament and of the Council and Council Directive 96/53/EC<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 14(1) points (a), (e), (f) and (g), thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) If employed under appropriate operational and regional conditions, extra-heavy combination lorries ('EHC lorries') defined in Article 3(25) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1242, may show lower CO<sub>2</sub> emissions per mileage travelled and payload transported, expressed in lower values of gCO<sub>2</sub>/t-km, than other vehicle combinations;
- (2) Such lower values of gCO<sub>2</sub>/t-km should be reflected in the calculation of compliance with the CO<sub>2</sub> emissions targets provided for in Article 3a(1) points (b), (c) and (d) of Regulation (EU) 2019/1242 by adding separate vehicle sub-groups for EHC lorries;
- (3) Regulation (EU) 2019/1242 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

**Amendment to Regulation (EU) 2019/1242**

Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2019/1242 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

**Entry into force**

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

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 198, 25.7.2019, p. 202-240, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2019/1242/oj>.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 20.5.2025

*For the Commission*  
*The President*  
*Ursula VON DER LEYEN*