

EU ETS Aviation Newsletter

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EU Emissions Trading System (EU ETS) – important update for aircraft operators.

Improvement Reports

Thank you to all those aircraft operators who have submitted their 2012 Improvement Report to us. If you have not yet submitted your Improvement Report and are required to do so, please do this as soon as possible as the deadline for compliance was 30 June 2012.

Transition to EU ETS Phase III

Aircraft operators are currently required to comply with their emissions monitoring plan and the EU Commission Monitoring and Reporting Guidelines (MRG).

As part of the transition to Phase III, the European Commission is replacing the MRG with the Monitoring and Reporting Regulations (MRR). The MRR was adopted on 21 June 2012 and comes into effect on **1 January 2013**. A copy of the MRR can be found on the European Commission's [website](#).

The new MRR requires aircraft operators to update their emissions monitoring plan with some additional information before the Regulations come into effect.

What do aircraft operators need to do?

Aircraft operators must submit an updated emissions monitoring plan to us by **5 September 2012**.

In order to do this you must complete two tasks ('**Batch RFI Response**' and '**Phase III Plan Application**'), which you will find in your ETSWAP work queue. These tasks should be completed in the following order:

1). '**Phase III Plan Application**'.

This task requires you to open a form and complete the blank sections highlighted by a red *. To help you, most of the form has been pre-populated with information from your current emissions monitoring plan. However, you will need to re-attach any attachments you previously submitted in the 'Additional Information' section. The confidentiality section will also need to be completed again.

2). '**Batch RFI Response**'

This is a very simple task and only requires you to tell us that you have completed the RFI (Request for Further Information).

This application does *not* need to be verified and there is no application fee* (provided that you do not make a substantial change to your emissions monitoring plan at the same time).

What does this mean for small emitters?

Small emitters are only required to provide additional information in the 'Management' section of their emissions monitoring plan.

What does this mean for large emitters?

Large emitters must provide additional information in the 'Fuel Density', 'Uncertainty', 'Data Gaps' and 'Management' sections of their emissions monitoring plan.

We have produced example emissions monitoring plans for both [small and large emitters](#) which show the type of information we would expect to see in your application.

EU Union Registry

UK aircraft operators are reminded that they are required to open an Aircraft Operator Holding Account (AOHA) in the Union Registry for compliance purposes. If you have yet to submit your application for an AOHA please do this as soon as possible as this process can take up to six weeks to complete. Please visit the [Registry](#) pages of our website for more information. For advice or help please email: etregistryhelp@environment-agency.gov.uk

New look EU ETS aviation website

We have recently updated our EU ETS aviation web pages and would welcome any feedback you may have on them. The pages can be found at the following link: <http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/euets>

Further information

If you have a query regarding EU ETS Aviation please contact the ET Aviation [helpdesk](#).