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The European Clean Trucking Alliance (ECTA) welcomes the European Commission's proposed targeted amendment to the Eurovignette Directive. Allowing Member States to fully exempt zeroemission heavy-duty vehicles (ZEVs) from road charges until 30 June 2031 will further improve their economic viability and strengthen the polluter pays principle.

The Commission proposal sends a strong signal, providing the investment certainty the freight sector needs. This is a crucial step in helping companies transition their fleets to ZEVs.

## Quotes

Quentin Donnadille, Policy Advisor at CLECAT, says:

Under current rules, EU States like Germany would need to end full toll exemption for ZEVs by the end of 2025. By extending it until 2031, the Commission proposal provides essential support for companies to accelerate the shift to zero-emission freight transport.

Jürgen Albersmann, CEO of Contargo GmbH & Co. KG, and spokesperson for ECTA, concludes: Contargo welcomes the Commission proposal and urges lawmakers to swiftly reach an agreement. This is essential to send a strong signal to the industry, provide investment certainty, and accelerate the transition to clean freight transport across Europe.

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## More about the European Clean Trucking Alliance

The European Clean Trucking Alliance is a coalition of over 35+ companies and organisations active in logistics, consumer goods, manufacturing, retail and supply chain management from across Europe calling for zero-emission road freight. ECTA members employ over 2.3 million people and use a total road fleet size of over 380,000 vehicles. For more information, please visit the website: www.clean-trucking.eu