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Freedom of Information request: - Latest Biodiesel Targets and Reports

Thank you for your FOI request. Since the 'Mayor's biodiesel programme report' that you refer to was published, the Mayor used this report and other content developed (available at www.london.gov.uk/biodiesel) to develop his London Environment Strategy published in May 2018.

Specifically, this work was used to develop Policy 7.3.1 'Reduce emissions from waste transport', with Proposal 7.3.1a stating 'Waste authorities must demonstrate how they will transition their waste fleets to low or zero emission options, prioritising the phase out of diesel'. In the supportive text waste authorities are expected to comply with the Ultra Low Emissions Zone (ULEZ) and works towards the Mayor's overall ambition for:

- All new cars and vans (less than 3.5 tonnes) being zero emissions capable by 2025;
- All heavy vehicles (greater than 3.5 tonnes) being fossil-fuel free from 2030.
 Fossil-fuel free can include the use of 100 per cent renewable fuels (including 100 per cent biodiesel or B100) derived from sources such as food waste and waste oils);
- Zero emission fleets by 2050.

The Mayor works with waste authorities, TfL, and the waste industry to increase the use of renewable fuels from waste derived sources including biodiesel, hydro-treated vegetable oil and bio-methane, as a transitional fuel, in municipal waste fleets. This is typically done when waste authorities procure new waste fleets, whereby the Mayor requires that consideration of renewable fuels be stipulated in fleet procurement contract specification documents.

The report referred to in your email will be updated as and when required to ensure it remains relevant and current. It has been, and remains to be, provided to all London's waste authorities as a procurement tool to inform their fleet procurement decisions.

Yours sincerely

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