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Subject: Amendment to Regulation 2019/631 on CO_2 emission performance standards for new passenger cars and new light commercial vehicles

Regulation 2019/631 sets new, stricter EU fleet-wide CO_2 emission standards for passenger cars and light commercial vehicles as of January 2025.

Article 8 of the Regulation imposes substantial fines on manufacturers that exceed the new targets, which can only be achieved through significant production of electric vehicles.

However, EU-wide sales of electric cars lagged far behind expectations in 2024, meaning that manufacturers may fail to reach the 2025 emission targets and potentially face multi-billion euro fines.

The Commission announced that this month, it will present 'a targeted amendment of the CO_2 emission performance standards for cars and vans', which 'if adopted, would allow car manufacturers to compensate an exceedance of the target in one or two years by overachievements in the other year(s)'. The Commission also announced that it will 'accelerate work on the preparation of the foreseen review of the Regulation'.

Can the Commission therefore answer the following questions:

1. Will the Commission's proposed amendment to Article 8 of Regulation 2019/631 assess manufacturers' compliance with the targets based on an average of at least three years, and possibly up to five years?

2. Will the Commission present its envisaged review of the EU fleet-wide emission targets before the end of 2025?

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