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Position Paper on Energy Tax Directive

The Current Situation

- Proposed Revision in Energy Tax Directive (July 2021)
- The European Commission is arguing that the current rules have not kept pace with recent developments.
- Kerosene which is used as fuel in the aviation industry will no longer be fully exempt from energy taxation for intra-EU voyages in the EU. The same will apply for heavy fuel oil which is used in the maritime industry will no longer be fully exempt from energy taxation for intra-EU voyages in the EU
- Over a period of ten years, the minimum tax rates for these fuels will gradually increase
 while sustainable fuels for these sectors will benefit from a minimum rate of zero to foster
 their uptake.

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- The current position on maritime and air fuel should remain.
- Targeted moves towards enhancing both air and maritime carriers to increase their uptake of new technologies which use renewable energies.