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Renewable Gas Stakeholders – Joint Support for Candidates to Advise GHG Protocol Development

Dear Pankaj,

Coalition for Renewable Natural Gas, Energy Traders Europe, Environmental Markets Association, Eurogas, European Biogas Association, European Renewable Gas Registry, Green Gas Certification Scheme, and World Biogas Association (collectively, Renewable Gas Stakeholders) represent a global effort to produce, market, and utilize renewable gaseous fuels, including biogas, biomethane, clean hydrogen, renewable CO₂, and derivative fuels and products. These technologies will continue to play an increasing role in (1) displacing fossil-derived fuels and feedstocks, (2) reducing methane emissions from organic waste, and (3) circularizing our economy via the recycling of organic waste and repurposing of useful byproducts.

The Renewable Gas Stakeholders participated extensively in the process surrounding World Resources Institute's (WRI) Land Sector & Removals Guidance update, and in the initial information gathering stage which will inform a broader update to the Greenhouse Gas Protocol (GHG Protocol). We appreciate the opportunity to work with WRI and the GHG Protocol team in support of stakeholders' broader understanding of these markets, the dynamic near- and long-term role of renewable fuel infrastructure, and the issues which need to be addressed to ensure robust and accurate GHG accounting. Indeed, we continue to be encouraged by your commitment to working with our industry to ensure that existing best practices are incorporated in future GHG Protocol guidance, so that renewable gas transactions can be carried out with integrity and confidence. We look forward to continuing these partnerships as the GHG Protocol update moves forward, and beyond.

This forthcoming update to GHG Protocol standards and guidance will have a consequential effect on investment and deployment across various technologies and sectors. As you are aware, WRI's ongoing work surrounding the use of market-based instruments has been a major focus of biomethane stakeholders during the Land Sector and Removals guidance update,^{1,2,3}

¹ RNG Coalition, [Feedback on World Resources Institute's Greenhouse Gas Protocol Draft Land Sector and Removals Guidance](#).

² World Biogas Association, [GHG Land Sector and Removals Guidance – Impact on Biogas Sector](#).

³ Eurogas, [Joint Open Letter on the Revision of the GHG Protocol's Reporting Principles](#).

and the initial information gathering stage in pursuit of the broader GHG Protocol update. As renewable gas technologies and new end-uses continue to increase, we expect the same questions to be a prominent issue wherever renewable gaseous molecules are comingled with their fossil-derived counterparts in shared systems—in particular for methane, hydrogen, and CO₂—including their use as fuels and to create products such as sustainable aviation and maritime fuels, biomethanol, and others. This further underscores the importance of WRI and GHG Protocol’s work ahead to boost the necessary deployment of renewable gases and define a reporting framework, providing investor certainty.

With this in mind, the Renewable Gas Stakeholders would like to express our support for a series of applicants to WRI’s governing bodies, to provide them with a clear understanding of these critical sectors and the market-based mechanisms that are needed to generate investment in them. We believe that the following candidates possess the qualifications and integrity to provide needed technical expertise in support of the goals of the Steering Committee, Independent Standards Board, and Technical Working Groups which will advise the GHG Protocol update, as it relates to the technologies listed above:

Steering Committee:

Janet Peace (Anew Climate)
Julia Maris (Engie)
Giulia Cancian (European Biogas Association)
Nic Crowe (Grissan)
Fernando Giachini Lopes (Instituto Totem)
Ilmari Lastikka (STX)
Lorraine Holleway (Shell)
Simon Denn (Shell)

Independent Standards Board:

Guillaume de Smedt (Air Liquide)
Nicholas Bollons (Engie)
Melanie A. Wilneder (Engie)
Amandeep Bedi (Engie)
Gunnar Steck (Eurogas)
Jens Schumacher (STX)

Technical Working Group:

Zuzana Vrbova (ACT Commodities)
Julian Audereith (AGCS)
Cassandra Farrant (Amp Americas)
Mark Havel (Anew Climate)
Teresa Lang (Anew Climate)
Jeffrey Rosenfeld (Brightmark)

Nicholas Yeh (Clean Energy)
Cédric Jourdain (CMA CGM)
Lauren Thead (Engie)
Alain Mahieu (Engie)
Ivan Li (Engie)
Lorena Moreno (Engie)
Cristian Rencoret (Engie)
Joseph Sarvary (Engie)
Aurélie Boscarolo-Fousse (Engie)
Marta Kamola (Engie)
Tim Hamers (ERGaR)
Asher Goldman (Generate Capital)
Hannah Hunt (Heineken)
Remi Samad (Heineken)
Ewan McKenzie (Shell)
Iain Macdonald (Shell)
Alex Cantlay (Shell)
Mark Staples (Shell)
Jenn McCullars (Southern Company)
Sophie Casenave (STX)
Jay Morrod (STX)
Mathijs Huls (STX)
Keegan Dean (STX)
Francois Aze (STX)

We thank you for your consideration and look forward to a robust working group, and to providing detailed and relevant stakeholder input as the GHG Protocol update continues.





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