



Members of the Committee on the  
Environment, Public Health and Food Safety  
European Parliament  
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**Subject: BUSINESSEUROPE position on the Ambient Air Quality Directive in view of ENVI vote for the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading (Krahmer report)**

Dear Member of the Committee,

BUSINESSEUROPE, which represents more than 20 million companies in Europe through its 39 national business federations from 33 countries, recognises the importance of taking measures to address predicted future air pollution across the fullest range of contributing sources. However, industry believes that cost-effectiveness and robustness of environmental measures are key parameters to consider when deciding new air regulation.

In view of the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading vote on the Ambient Air Quality Directive, several amendments tabled on fine particulates (PM2.5) are of particular concern for industry. Keeping flexibility with PM2.5 is very important because of still significant uncertainties about current assessments of sources and concentrations.

In this regard, I would like to emphasise BUSINESSEUROPE's position on amendments related to PM2.5 as well as other key amendments.

- Support: amendments 1, 5, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28, 30, 31, 35, 36 and 45.
- Reject: amendments 19, 20, 21, 43, 44, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 52, 53, 55, 56, 66 and 67.

I thank you for taking these points into serious consideration in view of the ENVI vote scheduled for 9 October.

We remain at your disposal for any clarification you may require.

Yours sincerely,

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Chairman, BUSINESSEUROPE Air Quality Working Group