

The European Aluminium Association welcomes the EC's initiative to reduce CO₂ emissions from Light Commercial Vehicles but regrets that the current proposal still discriminates lightweighting technologies

The European Aluminium Association is fully supportive of efforts for a low carbon future in automotive and transport and has contributed in close cooperation with the European Automotive Industry to introduce numerous innovative light-weighting solutions based on aluminium and aluminium alloys.

The aluminium industry welcomes regulatory initiatives aiming at stimulating the demand for low CO₂ emitting cars. In particular, EAA welcomes the Commission's commitment to publish a report by 2014 on the availability of data on footprint and payload and their use as utility parameters in the future.

However, EAA's Automotive and Transport Market Group chairman Roland Harings points out: *"Our industry is highly concerned that, in its current shape, the proposal ignores the most straightforward option for emission reductions which is lightweighting, and which can be applied immediately."*

The European Aluminium Association is therefore ready to help legislators amend the proposal towards more technological neutrality.

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