

## **Zemo Partnership NEWS**

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RFAS Fleet: New initiative from Zemo Partnership enables fleet operators to demonstrate transport-related emissions to their customers

In a significant step forward for climate accountability in transport, Zemo Partnership has launched RFAS Fleet - an innovative scheme which enables fleet operators to provide their customers with independently verified evidence of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions savings resulting from their use of renewable fuels.

As the first scheme of its kind tailored specifically for commercial vehicle fleets, RFAS Fleet empowers logistics, construction and service operators to demonstrate carbon savings and enhance renewable fuel supply chain transparency. This enhanced credibility can help businesses attract environmentally conscious customers and win new contracts.

RFAS Fleet covers both direct fuel use and virtual allocation through a strong chain of custody system. This flexibility allows operators to allocate renewable fuel use even when physical access is limited, enabling them to get the most value from sustainable fuels across their network while ensuring full traceability and avoiding double counting.

At the heart of RFAS Fleet is the Fleet GHG Emissions Declaration, a standardised customer-facing certificate that gives businesses clear evidence of transport GHG emissions and traceability through the renewable fuel supply chain. It includes feedstock information, well-to-wheel GHG emissions savings for the customer's journey and type and volume of renewable fuel used.

RFAS Fleet dovetails with Zemo's successful Renewable Fuels Assurance Scheme (RFAS) which has accredited 54 fuel suppliers across the UK and abroad.

To develop the new scheme, Zemo has collaborated closely with leading logistics companies including Gregory Distribution and Howard Tenens.

To participate in RFAS Fleet, operators will be required to source renewable fuel from one or more RFAS-approved suppliers. They will apply to Zemo Partnership to become approved under the scheme and undergo an independent audit to verify compliance with the RFAS Fleet standards

"RFAS Fleet is a game-changer for fleet operators and their customers," said **Gloria Esposito**, Director of Sustainable Business at Zemo Partnership. "It gives companies a credible, standardised way to report Scope 3 transport emissions reductions and demonstrate the traceability of low carbon fuel, something that's increasingly required by ESG frameworks and procurement contracts."

**Paul Jefferson**, Group Legal, Risk & Sustainability Director, Gregory Distribution – the first company to be approved under RFAS Fleet – said: "We are proud to be the first operator to be approved under the RFAS Fleet scheme. Being able to evidence the integrity of our carbon reporting and provide reassurance of the source of the low carbon fuels we use, is another step forwards as we support our customers with their sustainability journeys.

"Reaching this point is testament to the great work of our people and further demonstrates our commitment to being a leader in the decarbonisation of UK logistics."

**Anna Rickard**, Environmental Consultant at Howard Tenens, commented: "We're pleased to have played a part in shaping this scheme. Howard Tenens has been sourcing RFAS-approved biofuels for many years, and we welcome the introduction of RFAS Fleet.

"This development can help strengthen our sustainability offering by enabling us to reduce fleet carbon emissions at locations where on-site biofuel bunkering isn't currently possible – a challenge we've encountered previously."

Fleet operators interested in participating in RFAS Fleet should contact Zemo Partnership (rfas@zemo.org.uk).

MORE INFORMATION ON RFAS FLEET, INCLUDING TECHNICAL GUIDANCE FOR FLEET OPERATORS CLICK HERE.



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## **ABOUT ZEMO PARTNERSHIP**

Zemo Partnership (<u>www.zemo.org.uk</u>), formerly Low Carbon Vehicle Partnership, is a not-for-profit, public-private partnership working to accelerate a sustainable shift to low

carbon fuels and zero emission vehicles. Zemo convenes the widest network of stakeholders to help advise on decarbonisation policy initiatives, identify key barriers and take initiatives to resolve them. Zemo's diverse membership includes representatives of automotive and fuel supply chains, vehicle users, academics, environment groups and others.