This newsletter provides an update on compliance for aircraft operators assigned to the United Kingdom for the 2013 and 2014 Scheme Years.

2013 and 2014 compliance update
Thank you to all those operators who submitted their emissions report(s) and surrendered the required number of allowances for the 2013 and/or 2014 Scheme Years by the deadline.

We are aware that the changes in EU legislation and the double reporting year made this more demanding than in previous years. Our joint efforts have resulted in UK aircraft operators surrendering allowances for 99.9% of in-scope emissions on time.

We will shortly be starting a review of compliance in the 2013 and 2014 Scheme Years, with a view to taking enforcement action against those operators who breached the requirements on the UK Regulations.

2012 Scheme Year enforcement
We are continuing enforcement action against non-compliant operators for the 2012 Scheme Year, and will publish the details of any successful enforcement action taken on Gov.uk in accordance with paragraph A.8 of our Enforcement and Sanctions Guidance here.

2013/2014 Scheme Year Improvement Reports
If your verifier identified any uncorrected non-conformities or recommendations for improvements in your 2013 and/or 2014 verified emissions report, you must submit an Improvement Report to us through ETSWAP by 30 June 2015. Your report must describe how and when you rectified or plan to rectify the non-conformities identified by the verifier and to implement the recommended improvements.

If you are required to submit an Improvement Report for the 2013 and/or 2014 Scheme Year(s), there will be a task or tasks in your ETSWAP work queue to do this. Improvement Reports do not have to be verified prior to submission.

Emissions Monitoring (AEM) Plan updates
We are updating operators’ AEM plans to add two new conditions. These two conditions relate to the temporary change in the reportable scope and the use of the simplified reporting procedures resulting from the changes in EU legislation.

Once we have updated your AEM plan you will receive an email containing the updated plan and a notice. The notice explains what has been changed. The conditions can be found on page three of your AEM plan. You will also be able to view your updated plan in the AEM plan section of your ETSWAP account.

There is nothing you need to do unless:

(i) You need to change something within your AEM plan. Please let us know about this either be email or by submitting a ‘Change Request’ in ETSWAP so we can include this during the conditions update where appropriate.

(ii) You have started a ‘Change Request’ but have yet to submit it to us. As only one variation ‘Change Request’ task can be open at a time, please either complete and submit it or cancel the task. Otherwise we will not be able to complete the conditions update.

If you have submitted a ‘Change Request’ to your existing AEM plan and this has yet to be approved, we will be dealing with this at the same time as the conditions update.

We are here to help
If you have a query regarding EU ETS Aviation please contact us via our helpdesk.

As a customer your opinion really does matter to us. We are committed to improving our customer service and take all your feedback seriously. Please help us to improve our service by completing this online survey anytime you have any interaction with us.