

**Universal® received the following message from the  
French Competent Authority in August 2012:**

### **France releases requirements and guidance for new Phase III AE Monitoring Plans**

Dear Sir, Madam,

This message is addressed to all the aircraft operators administered by France in the scope of the European Union Emissions Trading Scheme or EU ETS; who intend to carry aviation activities covered by the annex I of the [EU-ETS directive \(directive 2003/87/EC\)](#) in 2013.

The EU ETS will enter a new period on January 1, 2013, which will last till 2020. According to the [directive 2008/101/EC](#), including aviation activities in the scheme, a new monitoring plan covering this period has to be submitted by each operator before August 31, 2012, and then approved by the Competent Authority before December 31, 2012. Considering the date of this message, please send your new monitoring plan before August 31, 2012, or as soon as possible after this date.

Preparing and submitting this document is mandatory for every operator intending to perform flights covered by the annex I of the EU-ETS directive from 2013 onwards.

The [regulation 601/2012/EU](#) on the monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions (also called MRR, Monitoring and Reporting Regulation) of 21 June 2012 impose an update of the template of the monitoring plan documents for the 2013-2020 period. Those will therefore differ from the plan of the previous period (2010-2012). Most of the fields remain identical, but requirements have been added, especially regarding procedures for data management and control activities. So, to prepare this new monitoring plan, you can reuse most of the procedures a previously approved plan for the previous period.

The new [Annual Emissions Monitoring Plan template](#) has been published Thursday 2 August 2012 by the European Commission on its web site, at the address: [http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/ets/monitoring/documentation\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/ets/monitoring/documentation_en.htm), in **Monitoring and Reporting Regulation: Guidance and templates**.

You will find in this section a very useful and clear [guidance document](#) so that you can understand and fill the new annual emissions monitoring plan template.

You will also find a new Tonne-kilometre monitoring plan template, but it will not concern many operators, and it will not have to be used before 2014. Another message will be sent to you concerning it in due course.

All of these documents will be made available soon on the [French Civil Aviation Authority dedicated webpage](#). The French version of the templates should be published in the next few weeks.

Please note that **the annual emissions monitoring plan currently approved based on the older template version are and will remain valid for 2012 emissions**. Thus, your 2012 emissions report will have to be based on this monitoring plan. **The new annual emissions monitoring plan template will only concern emissions of the period 2013-2020**. The monitoring plan templates for the period 2010-2012 are not modified.

We are at your disposal should you have any questions.

Best regards,

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