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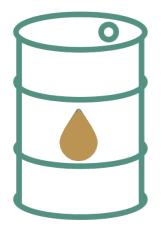
CYCLEVIA, A PRODUCER RESPONSIBILITY ORGANIZATION FOR THE WASTE OILS AND LUBRICANTS INDUSTRY STRONGLY COMMITTED TO THE DROM-COM FRENCH OVERSEAS TERRITORIES

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On 23 March 2022, CYCELVIA became the producer responsibility organization for the French oils and lubricants industry. The organization's mission is to take responsibility for collecting and treating waste oils on behalf of producers, to ensure the industry achieves a high standard of performance and to reduce its environmental impacts.

With the EPR scheme taking effect, a new funding system for collection-transfer station operators and local authorities in the French Overseas territories has replaced the former system established by the ADEME at the end of 2012, still guaranteeing free collection.

André ZAFFIRO and Brice FABRE, CYCLEVIA's Managing Director and Overseas Business Manager will travel to French Guiana for the first time to meet with local, public and private stakeholders from 27 to 31 March 2023. This will be the producer responsibility organization's fifth trip to the French overseas territories in just one year, following those to Reunion Island, Mayotte, Guadeloupe and Martinique.



4,941 tonnes of waste oils were collected in 2022 in the French overseas territories.

▲ Guadeloupe 1,344t

Saint-Martin 60t

Martinique 1,054t

▲ French Guiana 473t

Reunion Island 1,862t

Mayotte 122t

Saint Pierre et Miquelon 26t

To oversee the transition, ensure flow continuity and prevent the risk of waste oil discharges, CYCLEVIA fully appreciates what is at stake and is undertaking substantial commitments to ensure the continuity of operations under the current organization

Here are a few important measures that are already in place or in progress:

- On 1 December 2022 an Overseas Business Manager joined the producer responsibility organization to specifically monitor and manage the scheme's operation in the overseas territories in direct contact with local stakeholders.
- The backdated coverage of costs as from 1 January 2022.
- A 2023 eco-fee scale tailored per territory based on proposals from operators in line with their collection and shipment costs.
- Specific communications tools adapted to each territory's needs.

Since 1 September 2022, the DROM-COM local authorities can sign agreements with CYCLEVIA according to the same conditions as local authorities in mainland France. To support their initiatives, CYCLEVIA provides them with free waste oil collection. The producer responsibility organization also manages their self-deposit collection points and participates in their communications by providing turnkey tools encouraging awareness-raising and best practice.

In addition, CYCLEVIA is creating and implementing a specific waste prevention and management plan for local authorities in these territories, that aims at improving the efficiency of waste collection and treatment to make it identical to that generally achieved in mainland France within three years following the plan's implementation.

Lastly, CYCLEVIA is working on developing local pre-treatment or treatment solutions with the goal of also respecting subsidiarity principles in these territories, thereby preventing long and costly shipment.

"CYCLEVIA is particularly focusing on the French overseas territories. We're providing support for waste oil collection up to the last litre and encouraging the conditions in which to ship these oils. We're then going to study and develop local treatment or pretreatment solutions in order to reduce dependency on freight." explains André ZAFFIRO, Managing Director, Cyclevia.

ABOUT CYCLEVIA.

CYCLEVIA is the producer responsibility organization for the waste oils and lubricants industry. Created in 2021 by the Centre Professional des Lubrifiants (CPL - French Professional Lubricants Centre), CYCLEVIA is a non-profit making organization resulting from the joint efforts of oil companies who are members of UFIP, grease industrials who are members of the CSNIL (French National Trade Union of Lubricants Industry) and non-affiliated companies who are CPL members. It counts 22 companies who account for nearly 80% of the French lubricants market. It is exclusively financed by marketers via eco-fees.

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