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LowCVP response to the publication of the Government's Freight Carbon Review

The Government has today [published its Freight Carbon Review](#), which brings together evidence on the opportunities for and barriers to reducing road freight greenhouse gas emissions.

Responding to the review Andy Eastlake, Managing Director of the Low Carbon Vehicle Partnership (LowCVP) said: "The LowCVP very much welcomes the publication of the Freight Carbon Review. The freight sector is responsible for around 17% of the UK's greenhouse gas and about 21% of the NOx emissions from road transport; and represents one of the most challenging areas to decarbonise.

"The relative contribution of the commercial vehicle sector to total emissions has been growing but it has not, until now, had the same level of focused support as the car or bus sectors (or, indeed, walking and cycling). It provides some of the best opportunities for innovative solutions to make an impact on carbon dioxide emissions.

"The Partnership has been working closely with the Department for Transport to develop the data and benchmarks necessary to provide 'building-blocks' for effective policy in this area. We will continue to work with the Government and industry to support the further roll-out of the HGV accreditation scheme and other policy mechanisms that may be associated with it in future.

"We have already held several events and activities to renew stakeholder focus on low emission freight transport (some in association with TfL's LoCITY initiative) and have re-established the LowCVP's Commercial Vehicle Working Group which will hold its first full meeting on 1 March in Birmingham." (For more details visit: www.lowcvp.org.uk)

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About the LowCVP

The LowCVP is a public-private, not-for-profit partnership that exists to accelerate a sustainable shift to lower carbon vehicles and fuels and create opportunities for UK businesses. The LowCVP has been - and continues to be - mainly funded by the Department for Transport but with increasing contributions via membership fees and sponsorship/project income. Approaching 200 organisations are members, from diverse backgrounds including automotive and fuel supply chains, vehicle users, academics and environment/not-for-profit bodies. For more information visit: www.lowcvp.org.uk

