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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2023/956 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 May 2023 establishing a carbon border adjustment mechanism¹, and in particular Article 35(7) thereof,

Whereas:

- Regulation (EU) 2023/956 lays down reporting obligations for the purposes of carbon (1) border adjustment mechanism during the transitional period from 1 October 2023 until 31 December 2025.
- (2) During the transitional period, importers or indirect customs representatives are to report on the quantity of imported goods, direct and indirect emissions embedded in them, and any carbon price due for those emissions, including carbon prices due for emissions embedded in relevant precursor materials.
- The first report should be submitted by 31 January 2024 in respect of goods imported (3) during the fourth quarter of 2023. The last report should be submitted by 31 January 2026 in respect of goods imported during the fourth quarter of 2025.
- (4) The Commission is to adopt implementing rules for those reporting requirements.
- (5) The reporting requirements should be limited to what is necessary to minimise the burden on importers in the transitional period and facilitate the smooth roll-out of the CBAM declaration requirements after the transitional period.
- In line with Annex IV of Regulation (EU) 2023/956, the detailed rules for calculating (6) embedded emissions of imported goods should be based on the methodology applicable under the Emission Trading Scheme for installations located in the EU, as notably specified in the Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2066². The principles for determining the embedded emissions of the goods listed in Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2023/956 should aim at identifying the relevant production processes for goods categories, and to monitor the direct and indirect emissions of those

OJ L 130, 16.5.2023, p. 52.

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/2066 of 19 December 2018 on the monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and amending Commission Regulation (EU) No 601/2012 (OJ L 334, 31.12.2018, p. 1).

production processes. Reporting during the transitional period should also take into account existing norms and procedures of relevant Union legislation. As regards the production of hydrogen and its derivatives, the reporting should take into account Directive (EU) 2018/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council³.

- (7) The system boundaries of production processes, including emissions data at installation level, attributed emissions of production processes and embedded emissions of goods should be used for determining data to be provided for the purpose of fulfilling the reporting obligations. For those obligations, the importers and indirect customs representatives should ensure the availability of information needed from the operators of installations. That information should be received in a timely manner for the importers and indirect customs representatives to fulfil their reporting obligations. That information should include standard emission factors to use for calculating direct embedded emissions, notably fuel emission factors and process emission factors and reference efficiency factors for electricity and heat production.
- (8) Since the beginning of the reporting period starts on 1st October 2023, importers and indirect customs representatives have limited time available to ensure compliance with the reporting obligations. Synergies can be obtained with the monitoring and reporting systems already used by third country operators. A temporary derogation to the calculation methods for reporting embedded emissions should therefore be allowed for a limited period, until end of 2024. That flexibility should apply when the operator in a third country is subject to a mandatory monitoring and reporting system associated to a carbon pricing scheme, or to other mandatory monitoring and reporting schemes, or when the operator is monitoring the emissions of the installation, including for an emissions reduction project.
- (9) For a limited period, until 31 July 2024, reporting declarants that would not be able to obtain all the information from third country operators to determine the actual embedded emissions of the imported goods in accordance with the methodology set in Annex III to this Regulation should be able to use and refer to an alternative method for determining the direct embedded emissions.
- (10) The reporting obligations should also afford some flexibility for the determination of the production steps in installations that do not account for a significant part of the embedded direct emissions of the imported goods. Such would be typically the case for the final production steps of steel or aluminium downstream products. In that case, a derogation from the required reporting obligations should be provided and estimated values may be reported for the production steps in installations whose contribution to direct emissions do not exceed 20% of the total embedded emissions of the imported goods. That threshold should ensure sufficient flexibility for small operators in third countries.
- (11) One of the objectives of the transitional period is to collect data for the purpose of further specifying, in the implementing act pursuant to Article 7(7) of Regulation (EU) 2023/956, the methodology for calculating embedded indirect emissions after that period. In that context, the reporting of indirect emissions during the transitional period should be open and designed to allow to select the most appropriate value among those listed in Section 4.3 in Annex IV of Regulation (EU) 2023/956. Reporting of indirect emissions should however not include reporting based on the

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Directive (EU) 2018/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 December 2018 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources (OJ L 328, 21.12.2018, p. 82).

- average emission factor of the Union grid as that value is already known by the Commission.
- (12) Data collected during the transitional period should provide the basis for the reports that the Commission is to present in accordance with Article 30(2) and (3) of Regulation (EU) 2023/956. Data collected during the transitional period should also help define a unique monitoring, reporting and verification methodology after the transitional period. The assessment of data collected should in particular be used for the Commission's work in view of adjusting the methodology applicable after the transitional period.
- (13) The indicative range of penalties that are to be imposed on a reporting declarant who has failed to respect the reporting obligations should be based on the default values made available and published by the Commission for the transitional period for the embedded emissions that were not reported. The indicative maximum range should be coherent with the penalty pursuant to Article 16(3) and (4) of Directive 2003/87/EC⁴, while also taking into account that the obligation in the transitional period is limited to data reporting. The criteria to be used by competent authorities for determining the actual amount of the penalty should be based on the gravity and duration of the failure to report. The Commission should monitor the CBAM reports in order to provide for an indicative assessment of the information needed by the competent authorities and to ensure coherency of the penalties to be applied.
- (14) In order to ensure the efficient implementation of reporting obligations, an electronic database, the CBAM Transitional Registry, should be established by the Commission to collect the information reported during the transitional period. The CBAM Transitional Registry should be the basis for the establishment of the CBAM Registry pursuant to Article 14 of Regulation (EU) 2023/956.
- (15) The CBAM Transitional Registry should become the system for the filing and management of the CBAM reports for reporting declarants, including checks, indicative assessments, and review procedures. To ensure an accurate assessment of the reporting obligations, the CBAM Transitional Registry should be interoperable with existing customs systems.
- (16) In order to ensure an effective and uniform reporting system, technical arrangements for the functioning of the CBAM Transitional Registry should be laid down, such as arrangements for the development, testing and deployment as well as for the maintenance and potential modifications of the electronic systems, data protection, updating of data, limitation of data processing, systems ownership, and security. These arrangements should be compatible with the principle of data protection by design and by default under Article 27 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725⁵ and Article 25 of

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Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 October 2003 establishing a scheme for greenhouse gas emission allowance trading within the Union and amending Council Directive 96/61/EC (OJ L 275, 25.10.2003, p. 32).

Regulation (EU) No 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (EU Data Protection Regulation) (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39).

- Regulation (EU) 2016/679⁶, as well as with security of processing under Article 33 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 and Article 32 of Regulation 2016/679.
- (17) In order to ensure the continuity of data reporting at all times, it is important to provide for alternative solutions to be implemented in the event of a temporary failure of the electronic systems for data reporting. To that effect, the Commission should work on a CBAM business continuity plan.
- (18) In order to secure access to the CBAM Transitional Registry, the Uniform User Management and Digital Signature (UUM&DS) system, as referred to in Article 16 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1070⁷, should be used for managing, the authentication, and access verification process for reporting declarants.
- (19) For the purpose of identifying the reporting declarants and establishing a list of the reporting declarants with their Economic Operator Registration and Identification (EORI) numbers, the CBAM Transitional Registry should be interoperable with the Economic Operator Registration and Identification system, as referred to in Article 30 to Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1070.
- (20) For checking and reporting purposes, the national systems should provide the required information on goods listed in Annex 1 of Regulation (EU) 2023/956, as referred in Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/2151⁸.
- (21) Identifying imported goods by means of their classification in the Combined Nomenclature ('CN') set out in Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87⁹ and the storage provisions set out in Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1070 should be used for providing information on imported goods listed in Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2023/956.
- (22) This Regulation respects the fundamental rights and observes the principles recognised by the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, and notably the right to protection of personal data. The personal data of economic operators and other persons processed by the electronic systems should be restricted to the dataset set out in Annex I of this Regulation. Where it is necessary, for the purposes of the Implementing Regulation, to process personal data, this should be carried out in accordance with Union law on the protection of personal data. In that regard, any processing of personal data by Member States' authorities should be subject to the Regulation (EU) 2016/679 and national requirements on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data. Any processing of personal data by the Commission should be subject to Regulation (EU) 2018/1725. Personal data should be kept in a form which permits the identification of data subjects for no longer than necessary for

Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation) (Text with EEA relevance) (OJ L 119, 4.5.2016, p. 1).

Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1070 of 1 June 2023 on technical arrangements for developing, maintaining and employing electronic systems for the exchange and storage of information under Regulation (EU) No 952/2013 of the European Parliament and the Council (OJ L 143, 2.6.2023, p. 65).

Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/2151 of 13 December 2019 establishing the work programme relating to the development and deployment of the electronic systems provided for in the Union Customs Code (OJ L 325, 16.12.2019, p. 168).

⁹ Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987 on the tariff and statistical nomenclature and on the Common Customs Tariff (TARIC) (OJ L 256, 7.9.1987, p. 1).

- the purposes for which personal data are processed. In this regard, the data retention period for the CBAM Transitional Registry shall be limited to 5 years from the reception of the CBAM report.
- (23) The European Data Protection Supervisor was consulted in accordance with Article 42(1) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council¹⁰ and delivered an opinion on 28 July 2023.
- (24) As the first reporting period starts on 1 October 2023, this Regulation should enter into force as a matter of urgency.
- (25) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the CBAM Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

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Regulation (EU) 2018/1725 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2018 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices, and agencies and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 and Decision No 1247/2002/EC (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39).

Chapter I

Subject matter and definitions

Article 1
Subject matter

This Regulation lays down rules for reporting obligations laid down in Article 35 of Regulation (EU) 2023/956 in respect of goods listed in Annex I to that Regulation imported into the customs territory of the Union during the transitional period from 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2025 ('transitional period').

Article 2 Definitions

For the purposes of this Regulation, the following definitions apply:

- (1) 'reporting declarant' means any of the following persons:
 - (a) the importer who lodges a customs declaration for release for free circulation of goods in its own name and on its own behalf;
 - (b) the person, holding an authorisation to lodge a customs declaration referred to in Article 182(1) of Regulation (EU) No 952/2013, who declares the importation of goods;
 - (c) the indirect customs representative, where the customs declaration is lodged by the indirect customs representative appointed in accordance with Article 18 of Regulation (EU) No 952/2013, when the importer is established outside the Union or where the indirect customs representative has agreed to the reporting obligations in accordance with Article 32 of Regulation (EU) 2023/956.
- (2) 'rebate' means any amount that reduces the amount due or paid by a person liable for the payment of a carbon price, before its payment or after, in a monetary form or in any other form.

Chapter II

Rights and obligations of reporting declarants related to reporting

Article 3

Reporting obligations of reporting declarants

- 1. Each reporting declarant shall provide, based on the data, that the operator may communicate, as provided in Annex III to this Regulation, the following information regarding goods listed in Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2023/956 imported during the quarter to which the CBAM report relates:
 - (a) the quantity of the goods imported, expressed in megawatt hours for electricity and in tonnes for other goods;
 - (b) the type of goods as identified by their CN code.
- 2. Each reporting declarant shall provide the following information regarding the embedded emissions of the goods listed in Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2023/956, as listed in Annex I of this Regulation, in the CBAM reports:
 - (a) the country of origin of the imported goods;
 - (b) the installation where the goods were produced, identified by the following data:
 - (1) the applicable United Nations Code for Trade and Transport Location (UN/LOCODE) of the location;
 - (2) the company name of the installation, the address of the installation and its English transcript;
 - (3) geographical coordinates of the main emission source of the installation.
 - (c) the production routes used, defined in Section 3 of Annex II of this Regulation, which shall reflect the technology used for the production of the goods, and information on specific parameters qualifying the indicated production route chosen as defined in section 2 of Annex IV, for determining the embedded direct emissions;
 - (d) the specific embedded direct emissions of the goods, which shall be determined by converting the attributed direct emissions of the production processes into emissions specific of the goods expressed as CO₂e per tonne in accordance with Sections F and G of Annex III of this Regulation;
 - (e) the reporting requirements that have an effect on the embedded emissions of the goods as referred to in Section 2 of Annex IV of this Regulation;
 - (f) for electricity as imported goods, the reporting declarant shall report the following information:
 - (1) the emission factor used for electricity, expressed as tonne CO₂e per MWh (megawatt hour) as determined in accordance with Section D of Annex III of this Regulation;

- (2) the data source or method used for determining the emission factor of electricity as determined in accordance with Section D of Annex III of this Regulation.
- (g) for steel goods, the identification number of the specific steel mill where a particular batch of raw materials was produced, where known.
- 3. For specific embedded indirect emissions, each reporting declarant shall report the following information, as listed in Annex I of this Regulation, in the CBAM reports:
 - (a) electricity consumption, expressed in megawatt hours, of the production process per tonne of goods produced;
 - (b) specify whether the declarant reports actual emissions or default values made available and published by the Commission for the transitional period in accordance with Section D of Annex III of this Regulation;
 - (c) the corresponding emissions factor of the electricity consumed;
 - (d) the amount of specific embedded indirect emissions, which shall be determined by converting the attributed embedded indirect emissions of the production processes into indirect emissions specific of the goods expressed as CO₂e per tonne in accordance with Sections F and G of Annex III of this Regulation.
- 4. Where the rules for determining data are different from the ones indicated in Annex III of this Regulation, the reporting declarant shall provide additional information and description on the methodological basis of the rules used to determine the embedded emissions. The rules described shall lead to similar coverage and accuracy of emissions data, including systems boundaries, production processes monitored, emission factors and other methods employed for the calculations and reporting.
- 5. For the purposes of reporting, the reporting declarant may request that the operator uses an electronic template provided by the Commission and provide the content of the communication in Sections 1 and 2 of Annex IV.

Article 4 Calculation of embedded emissions

- 1. For the purpose of Article 3(2), the specific embedded emissions of goods produced in an installation shall be determined using one of the following methods, which are based on the choice of monitoring methodology determined in accordance with point B.2 of Annex III of this Regulation, consisting of either:
 - (a) determining emissions from source streams on the basis of activity data obtained by means of measurement systems and calculation factors from laboratory analyses or standard values;
 - (b) determining emissions from emission sources by means of continuous measurement of the concentration of the relevant greenhouse gas in the flue gas and of the flue gas flow.
- 2. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, until 31 December 2024, the specific embedded emissions of goods produced in an installation may be determined using one of the following monitoring and reporting methods, if they lead to similar coverage and accuracy of emissions data compared to the methods listed in that paragraph:
 - (a) a carbon pricing scheme where the installation is located, or

- (b) a compulsory emission monitoring scheme where the installation is located, or
- (c) an emission monitoring scheme at the installation which can include verification by an accredited verifier.
- 3. By way of derogation from paragraphs 1 and 2, until 31 July 2024 for each import of goods for which the reporting declarant does not have all the information listed in Article 3(2) and (3), the reporting declarant may use other methods for determining the emissions, including default values made available and published by the Commission for the transitional period or any other default values as specified in Annex III. In such cases, the reporting declarant shall indicate and reference in the CBAM reports the methodology followed for establishing such values.

Article 5 Use of estimated values

By way of derogation from Article 4, up to 20% of the total embedded emissions of complex goods may be based on estimations made available by the operators of the installations.

Article 6 Data collection and reporting regarding inward processing

- 1. For goods placed under inward processing and subsequently released for free circulation either as the same goods or as processed products, the reporting declarant shall submit in the CBAM reports, for the quarter following the quarter where the discharge from customs procedure occurred in accordance with Article 257 of Regulation (EU) No 952/2013, the following information:
 - (a) the quantities of goods listed in Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2023/956 that have been released for free circulation following inward processing during that period;
 - (b) embedded emissions corresponding to those quantities of goods referred to in point (a) that have been released for free circulation following inward processing during that period;
 - (c) the country of origin of the goods referred to in point (a), where known;
 - (d) the installations where the goods referred to in point (a) were produced, where known;
 - (e) the quantities of goods listed in Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2023/956 placed under inward processing that resulted in processed products that have been released for free circulation during that period;
 - (f) embedded emissions corresponding to the goods that have been used to produce the quantities of processed products referred to in point (e);
 - (g) in case of waiver for the bill of discharge granted by customs in accordance with Article 175 of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 2015/2446¹¹ the reporting declarant shall submit the waiver.
- 2. The reporting and calculation of the embedded emissions referred to in paragraph 1 points (b) and (f) shall be done in accordance with Articles 3, 4 and 5.

Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2015/2446 of 28 July 2015 supplementing Regulation (EU) No 952/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards detailed rules concerning certain provisions of the Union Customs Code.

3. By way of derogation from paragraph 2, when processed products or goods placed under the inward processing are released for free circulation in accordance with Article 170(1) of Delegated Regulation (EU) No 2015/2446, the embedded emissions referred to in paragraph 1 points (b) and (f) shall be calculated on the basis of the weighted average embedded emissions of the totality of the goods of the same CBAM goods category as defined in Annex II of this Regulation placed under the inward processing procedure from 1 October 2023.

The embedded emissions referred to in the first subparagraph shall be calculated as follows:

- (a) the embedded emissions of paragraph 2, point (b), shall be the total embedded emissions of the goods placed under inward processing that are imported, and
- (b) the embedded emissions of paragraph 2, point (f), shall be the total embedded emissions of the goods placed under inward processing that were used in one or more processing operations multiplied by the percentage quantities of the processed products obtained therefrom that are imported.

Article 7

Reporting of information regarding the carbon price due

- 1. Where applicable, the reporting declarant shall provide in the CBAM reports the following information regarding the carbon price due in a country of origin for the embedded emissions:
 - (a) the type of product indicated by CN code;
 - (b) the type of carbon price;
 - (c) the country, where a carbon price is due;
 - (d) form of rebate or any other form of compensation available in that country that would have resulted in a reduction of that carbon price;
 - (e) the amount of the carbon price due, a description of the carbon pricing instrument and possible compensation mechanisms;
 - (f) indication of the provision of the legal act providing for the carbon price, rebate, or other forms of relevant compensation, including a copy of the legal act;
 - (g) the quantity of embedded direct or indirect emissions covered;
 - (h) the quantity of embedded emissions covered by any rebate or other form of compensation, including free allocations, if applicable.
- 2. The monetary amounts referred to in paragraph 1 point (e), will be converted into Euro based on the average exchange rates of the year preceding to the year when the report is due. The yearly average exchange rates shall be based on quotations published by the European Central Bank. For currencies for which a quotation is not published by the European Central Bank, the yearly average exchange rates shall be based on publicly available information about the effective exchange rates. The yearly average exchange rates shall be provided by the Commission in the CBAM Transitional Registry.

Article 8 Submission of CBAM reports

- 1. For each quarter from 1 October 2023 until 31 December 2025 the reporting declarant shall submit the CBAM reports to the CBAM Transitional Registry no later than one month after the end of that quarter.
- 2. In the CBAM Transitional Registry the reporting declarant shall provide information and indicate, whether:
 - (a) the CBAM report is submitted by an importer in its own name and on its own behalf;
 - (b) the CBAM report is submitted by an indirect customs representative on behalf of an importer.
- 3. Where an indirect customs representative does not agree to carry out reporting obligations of the importer under this Regulation, the indirect customs representative shall notify the importer of the obligation to comply with this Regulation. The notification shall include the information referred to in Article 33(1) of Regulation (EU) 2023/956.
- 4. The CBAM reports shall include the information in Annex I of this Regulation.
- 5. The CBAM report, once submitted in the CBAM Transitional Registry, shall be allocated a unique Report ID.

Article 9 Modification and correction of CBAM reports

- 1. A reporting declarant may modify a submitted CBAM report until two months after the end of the relevant reporting quarter.
- 2. By way of derogation from paragraph 1, a reporting declarant may modify the CBAM reports for the first two reporting periods until the submission deadline for the third CBAM report.
- 3. Upon a justified request of the reporting declarant, the competent authority shall assess that request and where appropriate shall allow the reporting declarant to resubmit a CBAM report or to correct it after the deadline referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 and within one year after the end of the relevant reporting quarter. The resubmission of the corrected CBAM report or the correction, as applicable, shall be made no later than a month following the approval by the competent authority.
- 4. The competent authorities shall motivate the refusal of the request provided in paragraph 3 and inform the reporting declarant on the rights to appeal.
- 5. A CBAM report pending a dispute may not be modified. It can be replaced to take into account the outcome of that dispute.

Chapter III

Administration regarding CBAM reporting

Article 10 CBAM Transitional Registry

- 1. The CBAM Transitional Registry shall be a standardised and secure electronic database containing common data elements for reporting during the transitional period, and for providing access, case handling and confidentiality.
- 2. The CBAM Transitional Registry shall enable communication, checks and information exchange between the Commission, the competent authorities, customs authorities, and reporting declarants in accordance with Chapter V.

Article 11

Checks of CBAM reports and use of information by the Commission

- 1. The Commission may check CBAM reports to assess compliance with the reporting obligations of reporting declarants within the transitional period and until three months after the last CBAM report should have been submitted.
- 2. The Commission shall use the CBAM Transitional Registry, and the information contained in that Registry to perform the tasks laid down in this Regulation and in Regulation (EU) 2023/956.

Article 12

Indicative assessment by the Commission

- 1. For indicative purposes, the Commission shall communicate to the Member States a list of reporting declarants established in the Member State for which the Commission has reasons to believe they have failed to comply with the obligation to submit a CBAM report.
- 2. Where the Commission considers that a CBAM report does not contain all the information required in Articles 3 to 7 or considers a report incomplete or incorrect in accordance with Article 13, the Commission shall communicate the indicative assessment regarding that CBAM report to the competent authority in the Member State where the reporting declarant is established.

Article 13

Incomplete or incorrect CBAM reports

- 1. A CBAM report shall be considered incomplete where the reporting declarant has failed to report in accordance with Annex I of this Regulation.
- 2. A CBAM report shall be considered incorrect in any of the following cases:
 - (a) the data or information in the submitted report do not comply with the requirements laid down in Articles 3 to 7 and Annex III of this Regulation;
 - (b) the reporting declarant has submitted wrongful data and information;
 - (c) where the reporting declarant does not provide an adequate justification for the use of reporting rules other than those listed in Annex III of this Regulation.

Article 14

Assessment of CBAM reports and use of information by the competent authorities

- 1. The competent authority of the Member State of establishment of the reporting declarant shall initiate the review and assess the data, information, list of reporting declarants communicated by the Commission and indicative assessment as referred to in Article 12 within three months from the communication of that list or indicative assessment.
- 2. The competent authorities shall use the CBAM Transitional Registry, and the information contained in that Registry, to perform the tasks laid down in this Regulation and Regulation (EU) 2023/956.
- 3. Within the transitional period or thereafter, the competent authorities may initiate the correction procedure regarding any of the following:
 - (a) incomplete or incorrect CBAM reports;
 - (b) failure to submit a CBAM report.
- 4. Where the competent authority initiates the correction procedure, the reporting declarant shall be notified that the report is under review, and that additional information is required. The request for additional information by the competent authority shall include the information required in Articles 3 to 7. The reporting declarant shall submit the additional information through the CBAM Transitional Registry.
- 5. The competent authority, or any other authority appointed by the competent authroity, shall grant the authorisation to access the CBAM Transitional Registry and manage the registration at national level taking into consideration the EORI number in accordance with the technical arrangement set out in Article 20.

Article 15 Confidentiality

- 1. All decisions of the competent authorities and information acquired by the competent authority in the course of performing its duty related to reporting under this Regulation, which is confidential, or which is provided on a confidential basis shall be covered by the obligation of professional secrecy. Such information shall not be disclosed by the competent authority without the express permission of the person or authority that provided it.
- By way of derogation from the first subparagraph, such information may be disclosed without permission where this Regulation provides for it and where the competent authority is obliged or authorised to disclose it by virtue of Union or national law.
- 2. Competent authorities may communicate confidential information referred to in paragraph 1 to customs authorities of the Union.
- 3. Any disclosure or communication of information as referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 shall be made in compliance with applicable data protection provisions.

Chapter IV

Enforcement

Article 16 Penalties

- 1. Member States shall apply penalties in the following cases:
 - (a) where the reporting declarant has not taken the necessary steps to comply with the obligation to submit a CBAM report, or
 - (b) where the CBAM report is incorrect or incomplete in accordance with Article 13, and the reporting declarant has not taken the necessary steps to correct the CBAM report where the competent authority initiated the correction procedure in accordance with Article 14(4).
- 2. The amount of the penalty shall be between EUR 10 and EUR 50 per tonne of unreported emissions. The penalty shall increase in accordance with the European index of consumer prices.
- 3. When determining the actual amount of a penalty, for the unreported emissions calculated on the basis of the default values made available and published by the Commission for the transitional period, the competent authorities shall consider the following factors:
 - (a) the extent of unreported information;
 - (b) the unreported quantities of imported goods and the unreported emissions relating to those goods;
 - (c) the readiness of the reporting declarant to comply with requests for information or to correct the CBAM report;
 - (d) the intentional or negligent behaviour of the reporting declarant;
 - (e) the past behaviour of the reporting declarant as regards compliance with the reporting obligations;
 - (f) the level of cooperation of the reporting declarant to bring the infringement to an end;
 - (g) whether the reporting declarant has voluntarily taken measures to ensure that similar infringements cannot be committed in the future.
- 4. Higher penalties shall be applied when more than two incomplete or incorrect reports within the meaning of Article 13 have been submitted in a row or the duration of the failure to report exceeds 6 months.

Chapter V

Technical elements regarding the CBAM Transitional Registry

Section 1

Introduction

Article 17 Central system in scope

- 1. The CBAM Transitional Registry shall be interoperable with:
 - (a) the Uniform User Management and Digital Signature (UUM&DS) system for the purposes of users registration and access management for the Commission, Member States, and reporting declarants, as referred to in Article 16 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1070;
 - (b) the Economic Operator Registration and Identification (EORI) for the purpose of validating and retrieving the Economic Operator Identity Information, as referred to in Article 30 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1070, for the data laid out Annex V of this Regulation;
 - (c) the Surveillance system for the purpose of retrieving information on Customs Imports Declarations for goods listed in Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2023/956 for checks of the CBAM reports and compliance, developed through the UCC Surveillance 3 (SURV3), as referred to in Article 99 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1070.
 - (d) the TARIC System as referred to in Council Regulation (EEC) No 2658/87 of 23 July 1987.
- 2. The CBAM Transitional Registry shall be interoperable with decentralised systems as developed or upgraded through the Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/2151, for the purpose of retrieving information on Customs Imports Declarations for goods listed in Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2023/956, as specified in Annex VI and Annex VII of this Regulation, and for checking the CBAM reports and ensuring compliance of the reporting declarants when that information is not available in the SURV3 system.

Article 18 Contact points for the electronic systems

The Commission and Member States shall designate contact points for each of the electronic systems referred to in Article 17 of this Regulation, for the purposes of exchanging information to ensure a coordinated development, operation, and maintenance of those electronic systems.

The Commission and Member States shall communicate the details of these contact points to each other and inform each other immediately of any changes to those details.

Section 2

CBAM Transitional Registry

Article 19 Structure of the CBAM Transitional Registry

The CBAM Transitional Registry shall consist of the following common components ('common components'):

- (a) the CBAM Trader Portal (CBAM TP);
- (b) the CBAM Competent Authorities Portal (CBAM CAP) with two segregated spaces:
 - (1) one for the National Competent Authorities (CBAM CAP/N) and;
 - (2) another for the Commission (CBAM CAP/C).
- (c) the CBAM User Access Management;
- (d) the CBAM Registry Back End Services (CBAM BE);
- (e) the public CBAM page on the Europa website.

Article 20

Terms of collaboration in the CBAM Transitional Registry

- 1. The Commission shall propose the Terms of Collaboration, Service Level Agreement, and security Plan, for agreement with the competent authorities. The Commission shall operate the CBAM Transitional Registry in compliance with the terms agreed.
- 2. The CBAM Transitional Registry shall be used with respect to the CBAM reports and to the Import Declarations Records to which these reports relate.

Article 21

The CBAM User Access Management

- 1. The authentication and access verification of the reporting declarant for the goods listed in Annex I of Regulation (EU) 2023/956, for the purposes of access to the components of the CBAM Registry shall be done using the UUM&DS system as referred to in Article 17(1), point (a).
- 2. The Commission shall provide the authentication services allowing the users of the CBAM Transitional Registry to securely access that Registry.
- 3. The Commission shall use UUM&DS to grant the authorisation to access the CBAM Transitional Registry to its staff and to provide the delegations to the competent authorities to issue their authorisations.
- 4. The competent authorities shall use UUM&DS to grant the authorisation to access the CBAM Transitional Registry to their staff and to the reporting declarants established in their Member State.
- 5. A competent authority may opt to use an identity and access management system set up in their Member State pursuant to Article 26 of this Regulation (national Customs eIDAS system) to provide the necessary credentials to access the CBAM Transitional Registry.

Article 22 CBAM Trader Portal

- 1. The CBAM Trader Portal shall be the unique entry point to the CBAM Transitional Registry for the reporting declarants. The portal shall be accessible from the Internet.
- 2. The CBAM Trader Portal shall interoperate with the CBAM Registry Back End services.
- 3. The CBAM Trader Portal shall be used by the reporting declarant for:
 - (a) the submission of the CBAM reports via a web interface or a System-to-System interface, and;
 - (b) receiving notifications related to their CBAM compliance obligations.
- 4. The CBAM Trader Portal shall offer facilities for the reporting declarants to store the information about third countries installations and embedded emissions for their later re-use.
- 5. The access to the CBAM Trader Portal shall be exclusively managed by the CBAM Access Management referred to in Article 26.

Article 23

CBAM Competent Authorities Portal (CBAM CAP) for the CBAM National Competent Authorities (CBAM CAP/N)

- 1. The CBAM Competent Authorities Portal for the National Competent Authorities shall be the unique entry point to the CBAM Transitional Registry for the competent authorities. The portal shall be accessible from the Internet.
- 2. The CBAM Competent Authorities Portal for the National Competent authorities shall interoperate with the CBAM Registry Back End services via the internal network of the Commission.
- 3. The CBAM Competent Authorities Portal for the National Competent Authorities shall be used by the competent authorities to carry out the tasks laid down in this Regulation and in Regulation (EU) 2023/956.
- 4. The access to the CBAM Competent Authorities Portal for the National Competent Authorities shall be exclusively managed by the CBAM Access Management referred to in Article 26.

Article 24

CBAM Competent Authorities Portal (CBAM CAP) for the Commission (CBAM CAP/C)

- 1. The CBAM Competent Authorities Portal for the Commission shall be the unique entry point to the CBAM Transitional Registry for the Commission. The portal shall be accessible on the Commission internal network and the Internet.
- 2. The CBAM Competent Authorities Portal for the Commission shall interoperate with the CBAM Registry Back End services over the internal network of the Commission.
- 3. The CBAM Competent Authorities Portal for the Commission shall be used by the Commission to perform the tasks laid down in this Regulation and in Regulation (EU) 2023/956.

4. The access to the CBAM Competent Authorities Portal for the Commission shall be exclusively managed by the CBAM Access Management referred to in Article 26.

Article 25 The CBAM Registry Back End Services (CBAM BE)

- 1. The CBAM Registry Back End Services shall serve all requests placed by:
 - (a) the reporting declarants via the CBAM Trader Portal;
 - (b) the competent authorities via the CBAM Competent Authority Portal/N;
 - (c) the Commission via the CBAM Competent Authority Portal/C.
- 2. The CBAM Registry Back End Services shall store centrally and manage all the information entrusted to the CBAM Transitional Registry. It shall guarantee their persistence, integrity, and coherence of that information.
- 3. The CBAM Registry Back End Services shall be managed by the Commission.
- 4. The access to the CBAM Registry Back End Services shall be exclusively managed by the CBAM Access Management referred to in Article 26.

Article 26 Access management system

The Commission shall set up the access management system to validate the access requests submitted by reporting declarants and other persons within the UUM&DS system as referred to in Article 17(1), point (a) by connecting the Member States' identity and the EU identity and access management systems pursuant to Article 27.

Article 27 Administration management system

The Commission shall set up the administration management system to manage the authentication and authorisation, the identification data of reporting declarants and other persons for the purposes of allowing access to the electronic systems.

Article 28 Member States' identity and access management systems

The Member States shall set up or use existing an identity and access management systems to ensure:

- (a) a secure registration and storage of identification data of reporting declarants and other persons;
- (b) a secure exchange of signed and encrypted identification data of reporting declarants and other persons.

Section 3

Functioning of the electronic systems and training in the use thereof

Article 29

Development, testing, deployment, and management of the electronic systems

- 1. The CBAM Transitional Registry common components shall be developed, tested, deployed, and managed by the Commission, and may be tested by the Member States. The competent authority of the Member State of establishment of the reporting declarant shall communicate the decisions on penalties with the respective outcome of that process to the Commission, by electronic systems developed at national level, linked to enforcement and penalties, or by other means.
- 2. The Commission shall design and maintain the common specifications of the interfaces with components of electronic systems developed at national level in close cooperation with the Member States.
- 3. Where appropriate, common technical specifications shall be defined by the Commission in close cooperation with, and subject to review by the Member States, with a view to deploying them in due time. The Member States and, where appropriate, the Commission shall engage in the development and deployment of the systems. The Commission and the Member States shall also collaborate with reporting declarants and other stakeholders.

Article 30

Maintenance and changes to the electronic systems

- 1. The Commission shall perform the maintenance of the common components and the Member States shall perform the maintenance of their national components.
- 2. The Commission shall ensure uninterrupted operation of the electronic systems.
- 3. The Commission may change the common components of the electronic systems to correct malfunctions, to add new functionalities or to alter existing ones.
- 4. The Commission shall inform the Member States of changes and updates to the common components.
- 5. The Commission shall make the information on the changes and updates to the electronic systems set out in paragraphs 3 and 4 publicly available.

Article 31

Temporary failure of the electronic systems

- 1. In the event of a temporary failure of the CBAM Transitional Registry, reporting declarants and other persons shall submit the information required to fulfil the required formalities by the means determined by the Commission, including by means other than electronic data-processing techniques.
- 2. The Commission shall inform Member States and reporting declarants about any unavailability of the electronic systems resulting from a temporary failure.
- 3. The Commission shall prepare a CBAM business continuity plan to be agreed between the Member States and the Commission. In case of temporary failure of the CBAM Transitional Registry, the Commission shall evaluate the conditions to activate it.

Article 32

Training support on the use and functioning of the common components

The Commission shall support the Member States on the use and functioning of the common components of the electronic systems by providing the appropriate training material.

Section 4

Data protection, data management and the ownership and security of the electronic systems

Article 33 Personal data protection

- 1. The personal data registered in the CBAM Transitional Registry, and the components of electronic systems developed at national level shall be processed for the purposes of implementing the Regulation (EU) 2023/956 having regard to the specific objectives of those databases as set out in this Regulation. The purposes for which the personal data could be processed shall be the following:
 - (a) Authentication purposes and access management;
 - (b) Monitoring, checks and review of CBAM reports;
 - (c) Communication and notifications;
 - (d) Compliance and judicial proceedings;
 - (e) Functioning of the IT infrastructure, including interoperability with decentralised systems under this Regulation;
 - (f) Statistics and review of the functioning of Regulation (EU) 2023/956 and this Regulation.
- 2. The Member States' national supervisory authorities in the field of personal data protection and the European Data Protection Supervisor shall cooperate, in accordance with Article 62 of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725, to ensure coordinated supervision of the processing of personal data registered in the CBAM Transitional Registry and the components of electronic systems developed at national level.
- The provisions contained in this Article shall be without prejudice to the right to rectification of personal data in accordance with Article 16 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679.

Article 34

Limitation of data access and data processing

- 1. The data registered in the CBAM Transitional Registry by a reporting declarant may be accessed or otherwise processed by that reporting declarant. It may also be accessed and otherwise processed by the Commission and competent authorities.
- 2. Where incidents and problems in the operational processes are identified in the provision of the services of the systems where the Commission act as a processor, the Commission may have access to the data in these processes only for the purpose of resolving a registered incident or problem. The Commission shall ensure the confidentiality of such data.

Article 35 System ownership

The Commission shall be the system owner of the CBAM Transitional Registry.

Article 36 System security

- 1. The Commission shall ensure the security of the CBAM Transitional Registry.
- 2. For those purposes, the Commission and Member States shall take the necessary measures to:
 - (a) prevent any unauthorised person from having access to installations used for the processing of data;
 - (b) prevent the entry of data and any consultation, modification, or deletion of data by unauthorised persons;
 - (c) detect any of the activities referred to in points (a) and (b).
- 3. The Commission and the Member States shall inform each other of any activities that might result in a breach or a suspected breach of the security of the CBAM Transitional Registry.
- 4. The Commission and the Member States shall establish security plans concerning the CBAM Transitional Registry.

Article 37 Controller for the CBAM Transitional Registry

For the CBAM Transitional Registry and in relation to the processing of personal data, the Commission and Member States shall act as joint controllers as defined in Article 4, point (7), of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 and as defined in Article 3, point (8) of Regulation (EU) 2018/1725.

Article 38 Data retention period

- 1. In order to achieve the objectives pursued under this Regulation and Regulation (EU) 2023/956, in particular Article 30 thereof, the data retention period for the data in the CBAM Transitional Registry shall be limited to 5 years from the reception of the CBAM report.
 - 2. Notwithstanding paragraph 1, where an appeal has been lodged or where court proceedings have begun involving data stored in the CBAM Transitional Registry, those data shall be retained until the appeal procedure or court proceedings are terminated and shall only be used for the purpose of the aforementioned appeal procedure or court proceedings.

Article 39 Assessment of the electronic systems

The Commission and the Member States shall conduct assessments of the components they are responsible for and shall, in particular, analyse the security and integrity of those components and the confidentiality of the data processed within those components.

The Commission and the Member States shall inform each other of the results of those assessments.

Article 40
Entry into force

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States. Done at Brussels, 17.8.2023

For the Commission The President Ursula VON DER LEYEN