Summary of notifications

On 05/03/2010, the Commission received a notification of an aid measure pursuant to Article 88 of the Treaty establishing the European Community. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified measure could fall within the scope of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain types of State aid (JO C136, 16.06.2009, p. 3-12).

The Commission invites interested third parties to submit their possible observations on the proposed measure to the Commission.

The main features of the aid measure are the following:

Reference number of the aid:	N 81/2010
Member State:	Germany
Member State reference number:	
Region:	Deutschland
Granting authority:	Hauptzollamt
Title of the aid measure Bund:	Änderung der Steuerermäßigung für Biokraftstoffe 421-40304/0025
National legal basis:	§§50, 57 Energiesteuergesetz vom 15. Juli 2006 (BGBI. I S. 1534; 2008, 660; 2008,1007), zuletzt geändert durch Gesetz vom 17. Juli 2009 (BGBI. I S. 2444)
Proposed Community basis for assessment:	Established Commission practice (see Commission decisions N 553/2008, N 57/2008 and N 372/2007)
Type of measure:	Aid scheme
Amendment of an existing aid measure:	Modification of the approved aid scheme N 553/2008: The tax rebates for the year 2009 should now also apply for the years 2010, 2011 and 2012.
Duration (scheme):	01/01/2009 to 31/12/2012
Economic sector(s) concerned:	Manufacturing
Type of beneficiary:	All companies
Budget	Annual amount: EUR 52 million Overall amount: EUR 281 million
Aid instrument (grant, interest rate subsidy,)	Tax rate reduction

Observations raising competition issues relating to the notified measure must reach the Commission no later than 10 working days following the date of this publication and include a non confidential version of these observations to be provided to the Member State concerned and/or other interested parties. Observations can be sent to the Commission by fax, by post or email under reference number N 81/2010 to the following address:

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