



CYCLEVIA

The producer responsibility organization
for the oils and lubricants industry.

Press release

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

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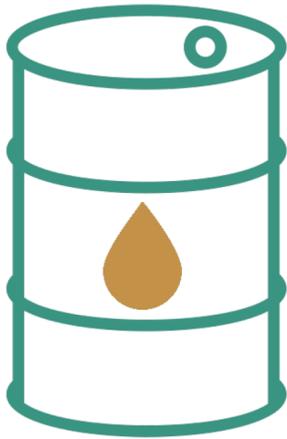
On 23 March 2022, CYCLEVIA became the producer responsibility organization for the oils and lubricants industry. This new organization's mission is to take responsibility for collecting and treating waste oils on behalf of the producers (EPR). Its aim is to ensure that the industry achieves a high standard of performance while reducing its environmental impacts.

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

From 14 to 20 September 2023, André ZAFFIRO and Brice FABRE, respectively CYCLEVIA's Managing Director and Overseas Business Manager, will travel to Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon for the first time.

On Thursday 14 September, CYCLEVIA will take part along with a dozen other producer responsibility organizations in two meetings organised by the French Ministry for the Overseas Territories and the Saint-Pierre-et-Miquelon *préfecture* (administrative centre). One with the island's producers and the other with the local authorities in order to accelerate and coordinate the activities of the producer responsibility organizations locally present.

The following day and until Wednesday 20 September, CYCLEVIA will start its programme of visits and meetings with the industry's local private and public stakeholders. This will be the eighth trip by the producer responsibility organization to the Overseas territories in 18 months of activity, following those to Reunion Island, Mayotte, Guadeloupe, Martinique, French Guiana and Saint Martin last May.



4,491 tonnes of waste oils were collected in the French overseas territories in the DROM COM in 2022.

4,790t of which were sent to the French mainland to be treated.

🔴	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 Overseas territories' local authorities have been able to sign an agreement with CYCLEVIA under conditions that are 2.5 times more advantageous than those 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.

During the visit, CYCLEVIA will pay special attention to the local problems already identified, the network of municipal recycling facilities, the shipment conditions for hazardous waste, the level to which professionals and local authorities are specifically equipped for handling waste oils by and the contribution of marketers.

CYCLEVIA has also established and submitted to the public authorities its new version of its 'waste prevention and management plan' for the Overseas Territories. Its purpose is to improve waste collection and treatment performances in these territories so that these are identical to those achieved, on average, in mainland France. As part of a consultation process, the producer responsibility organization has already organised a meeting with island's local authorities on Wednesday 20 September to gather their views.

“CYCLEVIA is especially turning its attention to the French overseas territories. We are committed to ensuring that waste oil collection right up to the last litre is carried out under the best possible conditions. We are also paying close attention to storage conditions - which often cause pollution - and to improve exporting conditions.” André ZAFFIRO, Managing Director, CYCLEVIA.

About **CYCLEVIA**.

Resulting from the French AGECL Law in 2020, CYCLEVIA is the producer responsibility organization for the waste oils and lubricants industry. It meets the Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) principle. A private, non-profit making company, CYCLEVIA currently has 250 members, all lubricant producers and supports, through eco-fees paid by its members, the treatment and collection of waste oils in France, and more widely encourages the development of an environmentally and socially responsible industry.

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