

Decree no. 2022-1540 of 8 December 2022 on guarantees of origin for biogas injected into natural gas networks

First analysis of January 2023

The decree specifies in particular the conditions for the use of these guarantees of biomethane origin (GO) to decarbonize the industrialis subject to the Emissions Trading Schemes (ETS).

GRTgaz offers you this first analysis which will have to be completed later:

As of 1 April 2023*, **GO from French biomethane production facilities benefiting from public support mechanisms for biomethane injection will be distributed as follows:**

- For year N, **the share of the GO corresponding to the share of N-2 gas consumption subject to ETS is eligible for ETS. This quota should be specified in the coming months by regulation.**
- The other part is not eligible for ETS, as the associated greenhouse gas emission reductions are retained by the State to meet its greenhouse gas emission reduction obligations under the Effort Sharing Regulation or ESR.
- The decree also clarifies the eligibility of GO from French biomethane production facilities not benefiting from public support mechanisms for the injection of biomethane.
- Finally, the decree specifies that GO from other Member States of the EU could be eligible for ETS within the limit that the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions associated with the production of biogas corresponding to these GO would not have already been accounted for, thus avoiding double counting.

*Until March 31, 2023, all French GO will be retained by the French State to be assigned to the ESR.

This pivot date of 31 March 2023 corresponds to the renewal deadline for the Public Service Delegation to operate the Biomethane Origin Guarantee Register in France.