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**Green claims proposal: Testing, inspection and certification industry proposition for simplified procedure of claims verification (by Friday 13th September COB)**

Dear all,

In August, the Secretariat had an introductory call with the Testing, inspection and certification industry association ([TIC Council](https://www.tic-council.org/about-us)). Given the debate over a possible simplified procedure to substantiate claims that do not require a full LCA, the verifiers’ industry came up with a proposal as a possible compromise between the Commission’s claim by claim verification, and the Council’s simplified technical documentation procedure (see article 3 of the proposal).

Kindly find in **Annex 1**, the “simplified procedure” proposition of the TIC Council which can be summarized as follows:

* As a first step, verifiers certify the internal data management of the trader. This certification is issued for a certain period of time (for instance 1 year). The data is then standardised for the verifier to be able to obtain it and assess it in a reduced timeframe.
* As a second step, and once the data management is certified by the verifier, the trader submits its claims to be verified, and the verification efforts are significantly lower for the verifier and the company, making subsequent verification of claims faster during the period of validity of the certificate.

**ACTION**

Members are kindly asked to assess the TIC Council’s proposition and give their input to the Secretariat on whether this would be a suitable option or not by **Friday 13th September COB** (c.bialek@fooddrinkeurope.eu ; s.lamonaca@fooddrinkeurope.eu ).Please justify your input and indicate concerns that could arise (or not) from such a compromise.

Thank you for your collaboration.

Kind regards,

The Secretariat