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Subject: Quality assessment of the study

"Study on the economic, social and environmental impact of modulation " Agri-2007-G4-09

Concerning these criteria, the evaluation	Unaccep- table	Poor ¹	Satisfac- tory	Good	Excel- lent
report is:					
1. Meeting the needs : Does the evaluation adequately address the information needs of the commissioning body and fit the terms of reference?			X		
2. Relevant scope : Is the rationale of the policy examined and its set of outputs, results and outcomes/impacts examined fully, including both intended and unexpected policy interactions and consequences?				X	
3. Defensible design : Is the evaluation design appropriate and adequate to ensure that the full set of findings, along with methodological limitations, is made accessible for answering the main evaluation questions?				X	
4. Reliable data: To what extent are the primary and secondary data selected adequate? Are they sufficiently reliable for their intended use?			X		
5. Sound analysis : Is quantitative and qualitative information appropriately and systematically analysed according to the state of the art so that evaluation questions are answered in a valid way?				X	
6. Credible findings: Do findings follow logically from, and are they justified by, the data analysis and interpretations based on carefully described assumptions and rationale?				X	
7. Validity of the conclusions: Does the report provide clear conclusions? Are conclusions based on credible results?				X	
8. Usefulness of the recommendations: Are recommendations fair, unbiased by personal or stakeholders' views, and sufficiently detailed to be operationally applicable?				X	

The foundation "Poor" should be considered as weak as the contractual obligations are considered to

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be fulfilled.

9. Clearly reported: Does the report clearly describe the policy being evaluated, including its context and purpose, together with the procedures and findings of the evaluation, so that information provided can easily be understood?			X
The overall quality rating of the report is considered		X	

(signed)
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