



Press Release

Consumers welcome new test cycle for the fuel-efficiency of new cars

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ANEC welcomes the adoption of the Worldwide Harmonised Light-duty Test Procedures (WLTP), agreed yesterday by UNECE (United Nations Economic Commission for Europe) World Forum for the Harmonization of Vehicle Regulations (WP 29) in Geneva.

Consumers have been expressing [support](#) for an early introduction of WLTP as the current system, the New European Driving Cycle (NEDC), which has been in use since 1996, does not reflect real-world fuel consumption and CO² measurement.

The new standard testing method, WLTP, will be used for measuring the fuel consumption under more representative driving conditions.

Ronald Vroman, who has been representing ANEC and Consumers International (CI) in UNECE, commented: "There has been a growing gap between real-world and test results which led to consumer mistrust. With the implementation of WLTP, consumers will get a more realistic picture of a vehicle's actual fuel consumption.

Stephen Russell, ANEC Secretary-General, added: "ANEC welcomes the adoption of WLTP. We look forward to its application in the type-approval of new cars as quickly as possible".

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