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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 66/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 November 2009 on the EU Ecolabel¹, and in particular Article 8(3)(c) thereof,

After consulting the European Union Eco-Labeling Board,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Decision 2014/256/EU² expires on 2 May 2017.
- (2) An assessment has been carried out confirming the relevance and appropriateness of the current ecological criteria, as well as of the related assessment and verification requirements, established by Decision 2014/256/EU. Decision 2014/256/EU should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (3) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee set up by Article 16 of Regulation (EC) No 66/2010,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Article 4 of Decision 2014/256/EU is replaced by the following:

'Article 4

The ecological criteria for the product group 'converted paper products' and the related assessment and verification requirements shall be valid until 31 December 2020.'

¹ OJ L 27, 30.1.2010, p. 1.

² Commission Decision of 2 May 2014 establishing the ecological criteria for the award of the EU Ecolabel for converted paper products (OJ L 135, 8.5.2014, p. 24–48)

Article 2

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels,

For the Commission
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