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PRESS RELEASE

CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR NATIONAL GAS OIL MARKERS

The Governor of Independent Authority of Public Revenue, Mr George Pitsilis has signed a call for expression of interest for submission for evaluation of molecular technology products suitable for use as gas oil markers.

This marks the beginning of a key action in the implementation of a process to tackle smuggling, fuel adulteration, fraud and tax evasion.

The objective is to implement an improved system for marking certain fuels which are products at high risk of smuggling band fraud, specifically gas oil used as heating oil and marine gas oil as well as marine diesel oil used onboard ships.

This action is taken according to the provisions of the recently adopted joint Ministerial Decision No 30/004/000/539/4-3-2019 on the "Procedures and specifications for the marking of liquid fuels that are marked for consumption or are transported or stored within the Greek territory with markers of molecular technology. Procedure for the sampling and testing of marked fuels and requirements for technological testing equipment" (Government Gazette B 803).

In the call for expression of interest, natural persons, legal persons or legal entities are invited to submit offers for products suitable for use as national molecular gas oil markers.

The call for expression of time interest is available on the website of the Independent Authority of Public Revenue at <u>https://www.aade.gr/anakoinoseis/defkf-1076050-ex-2019</u>.