EU Commission New Technical Guidance on Waste Classification

ETRMA welcomes the publication of the new [EU Commission Technical Guidance on Waste Classification](#) which provides clarifications and guidance on the correct interpretation and application of the relevant EU legislation regarding the classification of waste, namely identification of hazardous properties, assessing if the waste has a hazardous property and, ultimately, classifying the waste as hazardous or non-hazardous.

It reconfirms the non-hazardous classification of Absolute Non-Hazardous entries in the EU Waste List such as End-of-Life tyres (EWC 16 01 03) and the possibility to consider the “absence of bioavailability” principle according to Article 12b of Regulation (EC) 1272/2008 (CLP Regulation) to determine the hazardous classification of waste, notably for the attribution of the HP14 hazardous property. This principle is quite relevant for waste from vulcanized and unvulcanised rubber matrices.