EHPA welcomes ITRE vote on Energy Roadmap 2050

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The European Heat Pump Association (EHPA) has welcomed the vote on the amendments of the Energy Roadmap 2050 by the European Parliament’s ITRE committee.

The EHPA claim the Compromised Amendments properly acknowledges the importance of not only the heating and cooling sector, but also heat pumps in particular.

The ITRE Committee agreed on a series of Compromised Amendments (CA) to the Commission’s Communication on the Energy Roadmap 2050. This roadmap explores several pathways in which to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 80-95 per cent by 2050. The CAs now clearly underline the need for the inclusion of the heating and cooling sector in the pathway to a low-carbon economy and energy system by 2050.

Secretary General of the European Heat Pump Association (EHPA), Thomas Nowak, is very happy to see this: “After the publication of the initial Commission proposal, I thought we would end up with another document in which renewable heating and cooling, and heat pumps in particular, would not be represented.

The broad acknowledgement of the importance of heating and cooling from natural sources and the needs of this sector is an important start for developing its full potential. Now the considerations made in the CA need to be executed in Brussels and the Member States to make Europe’s heating and cooling systems truly renewable.”