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PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF ROMANIA to the European Union

To: Mr.Günther OETTINGER Commissioner for Energy European Commission

13 May 2013, Brussels

Subject: Feed-back following the Romanian Energy Center Event: "ROMANIA - an Energy Pole in Europe"- Romania ENERGY DAY, 15 May 2013, Brussels

Dear Mr. Oettinger,

We would like to thank you very much for your availability to provide the key closing speech at the "ROMANIA - an Energy Pole in Europe" Event, organised by the Romanian Energy Center on 15 May at the Representation of the State of Baden-Württemberg to the European Union, in Brussels.

We have received many compliments and would like to share them with you.

Your intervention was very much appreciated by our members and by all participants to the event.

We are very honoured to receive your congratulations addressed to Romania for the progress registered in the last years, and thank you for being confident about Romania's compliance with assumed commitments by 2020, among which to increase the renewable sources share to 24% in the energy mix by 2020. Your acknowledgement on Romania's progress in the energy efficiency domain, the completed connection with Hungary Arad-Szeghed as well as the connection with Bulgaria, the efforts made to diversify resources and involve the country into projects like Nabucco is very encouraging for us. However, we are aware there is still much to be done, in particular in deregulation of prices and improved interconnections, and take this opportunity to thank you once again for your kind support offered to increase European funds allocated to interconnect countries like Romania to the European network.

In particular, the discussion about the energy priorities in Romania and in the European Union with CRE's executive members, the representatives of the European Commission, members of the European and Romanian Parliaments, as well as with representatives of other organisations and energy companies active in Brussels made a strong contribution to the success of our event.

More than 70 participants attended CRE event in Brussels, among which the following representatives on behalf of Romanian companies: ELECTRICA SA, TRANSELECTRICA, TRANSGAZ, OPCOM, TRACTEBEL ENGINEERING, Deloitte, AEM, AFER, OPCOM, ECRO, ADREMINVEST, ENERGOBIT, EXIMPROD, the National Regulatory Authority in the Energy domain (ANRE), World Energy Council – Romanian National Committee, as well as from European organisations: Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC), European Commission – DG ENER, the Industry, Research and Energy Committee of the European Parliament, European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity (ENTSO-E), VERBUND, RWE, E.ON, SIVECO Belgium, Chevron Corporation, Representation of Baden-Württemberg State to the European Union in Brussels etc.

Please find attached Press Release and Conference Highlights for your information.

Please accept, dear Mr. Oettinger, the assurances of our highest and most distinguished consideration.

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President CRE

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