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PERMANENT REPRESENTATION OF ROMANIA to the European Union

To: Philip LOWE Director General for Energy European Commission

28 June 2013, Brussels

Subject: Meeting with delegates of the Romanian Energy Center, 28 June 2013, Brussels

Dear Mr. Lowe,

We would like to thank you very much for your availability to meet and discuss energy related issues with the delegates of Romanian Energy Center (REC) on the occasion of the meeting hosted by you, last Friday in Brussels.

Your answers to the questions raised by the delegates of Romanian Energy Center (REC) were very much appreciated by our members.

We were very honoured to receive congratulations addressed on 15 May by Commissioner Oettinger to Romania for the progress registered in the last years. We would like to thank you both 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. The 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 large scale projects 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 the EC once again for the kind support offered to increase European funds allocated to interconnect countries like Romania to the European network.

One topic of high interest for our member companies is related in particular to energy efficiency. As we had no time to address this topic during our pleasant discussion on Friday we would like to address now our question related to the energy efficiency matter. Please find it below:

Accordingly to the time plan of the EC referring to the energy efficiency initiative 202020, within 2014 there will take place a major review with respect to the progress made by the Member States on the above mentioned issue.

<u>Question</u>: what kind of actions will be taken by EC with respect to the member states that are out of the target and whether there will be any additional financial incentives for such states making sure the target for 2020 will be reached?

We take the opportunity and send you attached for your information the collection of Background Information and slides prepared by REC's members for our useful meeting last Friday.

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

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