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Subject: Your application for access to documents EASE 2024/0502 –fair solution proposal

Dear Ms Cann,

We are writing concerning your request for access to Commission documents registered on 26/01/2024 under case number 2024/0502.

Your application concerns a very large number of documents, which need to be assessed individually. Such a detailed analysis cannot be carried out within the normal time limits set out in Article 7 of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.

Please find below the list of the identified documents:

Nr	Stakeholder	Ares	Date	Title
1	RECHARGE	Ares(2024)475765	22/01/2024	[Re] RECHARGE letter: Request to exclude batteries from the PFAS restriction proposal scope + meeting request date tbd
2	RECHARGE	Ares(2023)7683404	09/11/2023	RECHARGE letter: Request to exclude batteries from the PFAS restriction proposal scope

3	RECHARGE	Ares(2023)7683404	09/11/2023	RECHARGE Letter to Commissioner Kadri Simson_231109
4	RECHARGE	Ares(2023)7691633	09/11/2023	RECHARGE letter: Request to exclude batteries from the PFAS restriction proposal scope + meeting request date tbd
5	RECHARGE	Ares(2023)7691633	09/11/2023	RECHARGE Letter to Commissioner Virginijus Sinkevicius_231109
6	Svenskt Vatten AB	Ares(2023)8562235	13/12/2023	Message to Commissioners - Time to Deal With PFAS
7	SPECTARIS - German Industry Association for Optics, Photonics, Analytical and Medical Technology	Ares(2023)6090994	06/09/2023	Invitation KS 24/10/2023 Brussels BE to working breakfast: PFAS - Is the industry threatened with an unintended high-tech ban?
8	SPECTARIS - German Industry Association for Optics, Photonics, Analytical and Medical Technology	Ares(2023)6173009	12/09/2023	RE: Invitation to working breakfast: PFAS - Is the industry threatened with an unintended high-tech ban?
9	SPECTARIS - German Industry Association for Optics, Photonics, Analytical and Medical Technology	Ares(2023)5025617	19/07/202	Save the Date - Invitation KS 24/10/2023 Brussels BE at the SPECTARIS breakfast meeting on PFAS
10	Hydrogen	Ares(2023)6740512	04/10/2023	Joint statement on the importance of

	Europe			fluoropolymers for the clean energy transition and the EU's Net Zero Industry
11	Hydrogen Europe	Ares(2023)6740512	04/10/2023	FINAL- Joint statement on importance of fluoropolymers-wider initiative
12	Hydrogen Europe	Ares(2024)154388	10/01/2024	[Re] Joint statement on the importance of fluoropolymers for the clean energy transition and the EU's Net Zero Industry
13	Hydrogen Europe	Ares(2024)154388	10/01/2024	SCAN1.[Re] Joint statement on the importance of fluoropolymers for the clean energy transition and the EU Net Zero Industry
14	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)3917238	06/06/2023	Email Invitation KS to participate in a study on the levels of hazardous chemicals – European Environmental Bureau (EEB)
15	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)3917238	06/06/2023	EEB invitation to Commissioner Simson
16	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)8841618	22/12/2023	European Environmental Bureau - Environmental Priorities under the Belgian Presidency of the European Union
17	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)8841618	22/12/2023	2023-12-22 to EC President von der Leyen re EEB memorandum to BE Presidency
18	European Environmental	Ares(2023)8841618	22/12/2023	EEB Memorandum to the Belgian Presidency

	Bureau			of the EU
19	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)4557941	29/06/2023	EEB's Memorandum to the Spanish Presidency July - December 2023
20	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)4557941	29/06/2023	2023-06-29 to EC President von der Leyen re EEB Memorandum to ES Presidency
21	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)4557941	29/06/2023	EEB Memorandum to the Spanish Presidency of the EU
22	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)4666858	05/07/2023	Letter and a memorandum setting out EEB's hopes and aspirations with respect to the environment-related outcomes of the Presidency Trio of Spain, Belgium and Hungary
23	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)4666858	05/07/2023	2023-07-05 Letter to EC President von der Leyen re EEB Dozen Demands for ES_BE_HU Presidency Trio
24	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)4666858	05/07/2023	EEB_Dozen Demands for the ES_BE_HU Presidency Trio
25	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)7876497	20/11/2023	[Re] EEB's Memorandum to the Spanish Presidency July - December 2023
26	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)5982534	04/06/2023	[Re] Letter and a memorandum setting out EEB's hopes and aspirations with respect to the environment-related outcomes of the Presidency Trio of Spain, Belgium and Hungary

27	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)4082747	08/06/2023	Email EEB's input to the EU Environment Council Meeting, Luxembourg 20/06/2023
28	European Environmental Bureau	Ares(2023)4082747	08/06/2023	EEB's input to the EU Environment Council Meeting, Luxembourg, 20 June 2023
29	Honeywell	Ares(2024)1406088	23/02/2024	MINUTES: HoC Grassi meeting with Ms Stacey Bernards, VP Global Government Relations at Honeywell Energy & Sustainability Solutions - 23/02/2024
30	Honeywell	Ares(2023)4374932	23/06/2023	MEETING REQUEST AKW [open date] - Meeting with Honeywell on F-Gas regulation
31	Honeywell	Ares(2023)4512261	29/06/2023	[Re] MEETING REQUEST AKW [open date] - Meeting with Honeywell on F-Gas regulation
32	Hitachi Energy	Ares(2023)1653607	07/03/2023	Email Hitachi Energy on F-gas regulation
33	Hitachi Energy	Ares(2023)1653607	07/03/2023	Hitachi Energy on Fgas
34	Hitachi Energy	Ares(2023)4374362	23/06/2023	[Re] Hitachi Energy on F-gas regulation
35	Johnson Controls	Ares(2023)3713459	26/05/2023	Thank you message following the for meeting with Johnson Controls & MEETING REQUEST KS 28-29/06/2023 Brussels BE - Meeting with Johnson Controls' Vice President and Chief Sustainability and External Relations Officer
36	Johnson Controls	Ares(2023)3713459	26/05/2023	F-gas Regulation revision - EPEE comparison between

				EP, Council and EC
37	Johnson Controls	Ares(2023)3713459	26/05/2023	F-gas Infosession.pptx
38	Johnson Controls	Ares(2023)3794724	01/06/2023	Thank you message following the for meeting with Johnson Controls & MEETING REQUEST KS 28-29/06/2023 Brussels BE - Meeting with Johnson Controls' Vice President and Chief Sustainability and External Relations Officer - MEETING SLOTS OFFERE
39	Johnson Controls	Ares(2023)3031738	28/04/2023	MEETING REQUEST KS 22-26/05/2023 Brussels BE - Meeting on F-Gas with the from Johnson Control's Vice President
40	Johnson Controls	Ares(2023)3031738	28/04/2023	F-gas revision ahead of trilogue
41	Johnson Controls	Ares(2023)3146530	04/05/2023	RE Meeting request on F-Gas from Johnson Controls Vice President
42	Johnson Controls	Ares(2023)4040434	12/06/2023	MINUTES VC meeting with Johnson Controls 22 May-PR
43	European Partnership for Energy and the Environment (EPEE)	Ares(2023)6552548	23/09/2023	MEETING REQUEST KS [open date] - Meeting with EPEE on a critical matter for the RACHP industry
44	European Partnership for Energy and the Environment (EPEE)	Ares(2023)6552548	23/09/2023	EPEE - Request for a face to face meeting on a critical matter for the RACHP industry
45	European Partnership for Energy	Ares(2023)6170998	12/09/2023	Input on F-Gas regulation - Member companies and

	and the Environment (EPEE)			associations of the European Partnership for Energy and the Environment (EPEE)
46	European Partnership for Energy and the Environment (EPEE)	Ares(2023)6170998	12/09/2023	Statement F-gas Sept 2023 - final Ms. Weidenbach
47	European Partnership for Energy and the Environment (EPEE)	Ares(2023)7383662	27/10/2023	[Re] Input on F-Gas regulation - Member companies and associations of the European Partnership for Energy and the Environment (EPEE)
48	Euroheat & Power	Ares(2023)4266390	20/06/2023	Heat Pump Action Plan I Euroheat & Power participation
49	Euroheat & Power	Ares(2023)4266390	20/06/2023	EHP feedback on the EC Heat Pump Action Plan
50	Euroheat & Power	Ares(2023)3886012	02/06/2023	Euroheat & power - Follow-up - Heat decarbonization Action plan
51	Euroheat & Power	Ares(2023)3886012	02/06/2023	EHP feedback on the EC Heat Pump Action Plan

The reply to your initial application covers **51 documents**.

The assessment of the said documentation requires processing a significant amount of information for the sole benefit of one applicant.

It needs to be emphasised that the assessment carried out under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 is not limited to reading of the documents but also to the analysis of their content.

First, the relevant information that requires protection under various exceptions provided for in Article 4 of that Regulation has to be filtered out and identified. The length of that process depends on the level of complexity of the documents content-wise.

Second, a significant number of documents originate from third parties. Consequently, the consultation under Article 4(4) of Regulation (EC) No

1049/2001 is required. The time needed to carry out the necessary consultations includes preparation of the consultation letters, their internal validation workflow and delivery. Subsequently, the consulted third parties are given five working days to reply. That deadline starts running from the date of registration of the consultation.

Finally, following the assessment of the documents, which takes into account the positions of the consulted third parties, the case handler must prepare the final version of the documents, including internal consultation (for example with a policy officer competent in the subject matter), marking the text to be redacted by means of the dedicated informatics tools and preparation of the final, redacted version of the document. Then, the final reply and the whole file is put into the validation process in view of its approval. This part of the process adds at least four working days to the over time of the handling.

Article 6(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 provides for a possibility to confer with an applicant informally with a view to finding a fair solution when an application relates to a very long document or concerns a very large number of documents.

Based on the above-mentioned provision, we would kindly ask you to **identify the documents you are interested in**. For this reason, in order to narrow down the scope of your application and to reduce it to a more manageable number of documents, we kindly ask you to select a maximum number of **20 documents**.

Please reply to this proposal for a fair solution **within five working days at the latest**.

In the absence of a reply within five working days, we will restrict the scope of your application to those parts that can be dealt with within a reasonable amount of time.

Yours sincerely,

DG ENER Access to Documents Team