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Onderwerp: RE: Request for a Meeting - Asahi Kasei

Dear

We have received your request for a meeting regarding the REACH restriction proposal on PFAS. As competent authority in Belgium for REACH we can reply to your request.

Unfortunately we will not be able to organize a stakeholder meeting on the universal PFAS restriction dossier in the near future.

However you are kindly invited to send us written information, which we can then share with the Belgian Committee for REACH (BCR), who will be coordinating the Belgium position on this restriction dossier once the proposal will be tabled at the REACH Committee. For more information on the BCR you can consult the following webpage:

https://www.reachinbelgium.be/index.php?page=comite-reach&hl=en_US

Kind regards,



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From:
Sent: Monday, 8 January 2024 15:23
To: [REDACTED]@vlaanderen.be; @diplobel.fed.be
Subject: Request for a Meeting - Asahi Kasei

Dear

I am reaching out on behalf of the Asahi Kasei Group, a leading multinational Japanese chemical company, committed to contributing to society through innovative solutions in three core business sectors: Material, Homes, and Health Care.

Our products are relevant for a broad range of EU industries such as renewable energy, chemical production (including ion exchange membranes), and advanced technologies that include optical fibre and lithium-ion batteries. Our products are exported from Japan to the European Union where Asahi Kasei has distribution sites in France, as **Belgium**, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, and Sweden. Our products are also being exported to Portugal, Austria, and Hungary.

We are contacting you to **request a meeting to discuss the [PFAS REACH restriction proposal](#)**, specifically **in the context of its potential effect on industry and trade**. The proposed PFAS REACH restriction poses significant challenges for Asahi

Kasei due to the integral role of PFAS in our products and has the potential to severely restrict international trade for products in which PFASs are used. This restriction threatens our ability to provide solutions to our European and specifically our Belgian customers who rely on our products in fields such as renewable energy, chemical production, and advanced technologies that include optical fibre and lithium-ion batteries.

We would appreciate to present to you our company, our position on the PFAS restriction proposal and importantly its impact on trade and industry either in person or virtually and would be happy to exchange views on this.

We understand you will be busy as the new year kicks off. We remain available at your convenience in January and February.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to hearing from you.

In the meantime, wishing you a happy new year and a good start to 2024!

Kind regards,

Account Manager

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