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Subject: RE: PFAS - urgent request for a meeting

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Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you for sharing with us your concerns about PFAS and your interest in the development of the essential use criteria. We are interested in having a meeting with you to discuss it further. We would be available for a one hour meeting on either 7/02 in the morning or 8/02 in the afternoon. Please send us a webex invitation if those dates are convenient.

Participants from our side: [REDACTED], [REDACTED] and [REDACTED].
We will forward your invitation to our colleagues in DG ENV in case they would like to join us.

Best,

[REDACTED]

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Dear [REDACTED]

Referring to the suggestion of [REDACTED], I would like to reach out to you concerning the issue of PFAS.

AnimalhealthEurope is the association representing manufacturers of animal medicines, vaccines and other animal health products in Europe. We are a Brussels-based not-for-profit body representing both corporate members and national animal health associations in Europe. It represents both innovators and generics alike, as well as large, medium-sized and small companies. AnimalhealthEurope's membership covers 90% of the European market for animal health products.

As you may know, some veterinary medicinal products (VMPs), after having been approved by the EMA contain PFAS.

However, as a result of the REACH Regulation (Reg 1907/2006) various initiatives are already impacting VMPs either during their manufacture or in their composition, and are in direct conflict with the rules in Reg 2019/6 (Veterinary Medicinal Products Regulation entry into force on 28 January 2022. For example the recently launched proposal for restriction of per- and polyfluoro alkyl substances (PFAS) which, given its broad definition of PFAS, threatens a ban on specific VMPs or renders their manufacture impossible as there are no alternatives. E.g. this could eliminate all inhalation anaesthetics currently used in both human and veterinary medicine, and it could cause significant treatment gaps in other areas with implications for animal health but also for public health as some of the conditions that are treated by these medicines (e.g. fleas and ticks, and the diseases they carry) can impact human health if the animals are left insufficiently treated, or even untreated.

We would very much value to discuss with you at DG Grow the particularity of our sector and products, exchange on what the definition of “essential use “ could entail, be consulted by the consulting firm Wood the Commission is working with and be informed/involved in relevant workshops on the topic.

I hope to have an opportunity to discuss these elements with you in a very near future.

For information I have also reached out to two of your colleagues in DG Grow but do not know if you work in the same unit or not, these are [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] both in copy of this mail.

Best regards,



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