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Dear Commissioner Sinkevičius,

Thank you again for our discussion on March 29 about the EU Green Deal, the circular economy, and sustainable chemicals. As a technology company, 3M supports the objectives of the Green Deal and the Paris Agreement. Our meeting was also timely, as we have seen recently more discussion around the challenges facing the semiconductor industry for accessing critical materials within its supply chain. The need is clear for greater regulatory certainty to strengthen supply chain stability.

Manufacturing of semiconductor chips requires high-performance chemicals (such as PFAS). 3M today manufactures specialty fluids and fluoropolymers in Europe, both used in the manufacturing of semiconductors.

The availability of these critical materials has a direct impact on the security of global supply chains and on the potential for technology leadership of European leadership in strategic industries, including national security, aerospace and automotive, and electronics. It is important to avoid further supply chain disruption for these industries worldwide.

Our meeting was another important reminder of the value of a balanced, productive dialogue that takes into account sustainability and stewardship as well as investment and security of strategic value chains. The European regulatory framework needs to facilitate semiconductor investment and ensure a stable supply of materials with the production of chemicals that plays a critical role in European growth.

I look forward to continuing our discussion. We would welcome the opportunity to follow up with your teams on these issues. In this respect, I attach a recent report from Barron's financial media on the disruption of semi conductors' global supply chains and a discussion paper with our recommendations for achieving the Green Deal as well as strengthening the Single Market and investment in Europe.

Yours sincerely

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