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Onderwerp: RE: Meeting request – Zoetis Europe

Dear Mrs. ,

Thank you for your email and all the information you provided.

Given the high complexity and technicality of this dossier and the fact that it is not a legislative dossier as such, I kindly ask you to address your request to our Belgian Reach Committee (the contact address is copied in this e-mail). You will have the opportunity, with the agreement of the Chair, to present your industry and your opinion/concerns in front of a panel of experts (which I think is more interesting).

Best regards,

Counsellor for Environment (Products and Chemicals Policy)

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Objet : Meeting request – Zoetis Europe

Dear Manseri,

I hope you are well.

I am writing to request a meeting the week of 7 November or thereafter to discuss an important regulatory issue that will significantly impact on innovation and the competitiveness of the European animal health sector, and on production of leading veterinary medicine products in Belgium.

Member State regulators and the European Commission are planning to restrict the use of per- and polyfluoroalkyl (PFAS) substances in most products. The restriction proposal will come soon and will have serious impacts on the animal health sector. A ban on PFAS use would remove best-in-class animal medicines from the EU market and restrict the availability of inhalation anaesthetics that are used in complex surgeries in humans and animals. A restriction would also affect manufacturing of animal health products in Europe for local use and for export. It would also restrict the ability to meet the objectives of the EU Pharmaceutical Strategy.

We would appreciate the opportunity to sit down with you to discuss Zoetis' role as a global market leader in animal medicines innovation, and outline how veterinary medicinal products and industrial emissions from production in our sector are strictly regulated in the EU to ensure human, animal and environmental health and safety. Given the public

attention on PFAS at present, we believe a discussion on the use of PFAS in animal medicines and the low exposure pathways from this use is warranted to understand the need for exemptions for animal medicines.

(Senior Research Director Environmental and Microbial Safety Team, Global Pharmacokinetics, Metabolism & Safety at Zoetis and lead in the AnimalHealthEurope Working Group on PFAS) and I would join the meeting.

We look forward to hearing from you and remain at your disposal for any questions you have.

With kind regards,

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