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**Subject: Your application for access to documents – EASE 2023/5540**

Dear Ms Verheecke,

We refer to your request for access to European Commission documents registered on 25.09.2023 under the above-mentioned reference number.

In your application you request access to the following documents:

*'A list of meetings between Timo Pesonen and external stakeholders on the Critical Raw Materials Act since January 2021'.*

We regret to inform you that the Commission does not hold any documents that would correspond to the description given in your application.

Please note that the Critical Raw Materials Act falls under the Directorate General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs area of work.

As specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, the right of access as defined in that regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution. Given that no such documents, corresponding to the description given in your application, are held by the Commission, the Commission is not in a position to fulfil your request.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, you are entitled to make a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter to the Secretariat-General of the Commission. You can submit it

**via your EASE portal<sup>1</sup> account,**

**by mail, to:**

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**or by email, to:** [sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu](mailto:sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu)

Yours faithfully,

Timo PESONEN

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