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Dear Madam,

**Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2018/1237**

We refer to your letter dated 27/02/2018 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 27/02/2018 under the above mentioned reference number.

We enclose the documents requested. Please note that the document "Options for Gas Supply Diversification for the EU and Germany in the next Two Decades" is a study carried out by external experts and does not reflect the position of the Commission. It cannot be quoted as reflecting the Commission's position.

Please note that the document contains some personal data, which has been expunged. Pursuant to Article 4(1) (b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, access to a document has to be refused if its disclosure would undermine the protection of privacy and the integrity of the individual, in particular in accordance with Community legislation regarding the protection of personal data. The applicable legislation in this field is Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2000 on the protection of individuals with regard to the processing of personal data by the Community institutions and bodies and on the free movement of such data<sup>1</sup>.

When access is requested to documents containing personal data, Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 becomes fully applicable<sup>2</sup>. According to Article 8(b) of this Regulation, personal data shall only be transferred to recipients if they establish the necessity of having the data transferred to them and if there is no reason to assume that the legitimate rights of the persons concerned might be prejudiced.

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<sup>1</sup> Official Journal L 8 of 12.1.2001, p. 1

<sup>2</sup> Judgment of the Court of Justice of the EU of 29 June 2010 in case 28/08 P, Commission/The Bavarian Lager Co. Ltd, ECR 2010 I-06055.

We consider that, with the information available, the necessity of disclosing the aforementioned personal data to you has not been established and/or that it cannot be assumed that such disclosure would not prejudice the legitimate rights of the persons concerned. Therefore, we are disclosing the documents requested expunged from this personal data.

In case you would disagree with the assessment that the expunged data are personal data which can only be disclosed if such disclosure is legitimate under the rules of personal data protection, you are entitled, in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation 1049/2001, 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 Secretary-General of the Commission at the following address:

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

Yours faithfully,



Jean-Yves MUYLLE

Enclosures:

1. Note to the attention of SG Unit D3 containing minutes from all meetings from November 2014 until today.
2. Note to the attention of SG Unit D3 containing correspondence and minutes of all meetings held from November 2014 until today.
3. Meeting with Ulrike Anders.
4. Request and reply of DG ENER.
5. Request for a meeting regarding the Southern Gas Corridor.
6. FSRU LNG Project document.
7. Letter on Gas infrastructure development in South East Europe.
8. Question regarding the Ionian Adriatic Pipeline (IAP).
9. Invitation to Inauguration Ceremony of TAP Construction Start.
10. Reply of DG ENER.
11. Request and reply regarding Gas in Bosnia and Herzegovina.
12. Invitation to meeting of the Southern Gas Corridor Advisory Council.
13. An open letter "Why Europe must turn off the gas TAP".
14. Study "Options for Gas Supply Diversification (...)"