Subject: Revision of the Industrial Emissions Directive

Dear

Thank you for your letter to President Von der Leyen dated 4 April 2022, in which you shared your preliminary views on the revision of the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED) and in particular, on the envisaged change of thresholds for the rearing of poultry or pigs and the envisaged inclusion of cattle rearing in the scope of the Directive.

President von der Leyen asked me to reply to your letter on her behalf.

As you know, on 5 April 2022 the Commission adopted a proposal to revise the IED\(^1\), which proposes to include the rearing installations of cattle, pigs and poultry in farms of 150 livestock units (LSU) or more\(^2\) in its scope.

The main criteria used for considering the extension of the IED’s scope to specific activities are their relevance and significance to negatively impact on the environment with emissions in the air, water and greenhouse gases in the EU, as well as the potential added-value role of the IED within the existing legislative framework. I invite you to consult the details of this assessment for the livestock rearing in the Staff Working Document supporting the Commission’s proposal\(^3\).

As you may know, a meeting between Copa-Cogeca and Commission’s services is planned on 12 May 2022 about the revision of the IED. At this occasion, my Unit will make a presentation of the proposals tabled by the Commission and exchange with your representatives.

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2. Or any mix of these animals in installations of 150 LSU or more
3. Available on the same website
I thank you again for your letter and look forward to further exchanges with your organisation on the IED revision.

Yours faithfully,

(e-signed)