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By email: ask+request-3641-4adcccd4@asktheeu.org

Subject: Your request for access to documents (GESTDEM 2016/7165)

Dear Ms Cann,

I refer to your e-mail of 20 December 2016 requesting access to documents under Regulation No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents. Your request has been registered under the above mentioned reference number.

In your application you requested all the documentation related to the event of 27 – 28 September 2016, a Stakeholder Workshop on GHG emissions on biofuels which was hosted by the European Commission. Your request for access to information included, the following:

- (1) all invitations,
- (2) attendance lists,
- (3) agendas,
- (4) background papers,
- (5) minutes/notes.

To our best knowledge, we have identified 7 documents which could fall within the scope of your request and which you will find attached to this letter. Some parts of the documents have been blanked out as their disclosure is prevented by exception to the right of access laid down in Article 4 of this Regulation.

Please find attached the following documents mentioned above:

- (1) List of experts that were invited to the workshop organised on 27 September 2016 – 3 pages;

- (2) List of stakeholders that were invited to the workshop organised on 28 September 2016 – 4 pages;
- (3) Participants' list of the workshop organised on 27 September 2016 - 1 page;
- (4) Participants' list of the workshop organised on 28 September 2016 - 2 pages;
- (5) Agenda of the workshop organised on 27 September 2016 - 1 page;
- (6) Agenda of the workshop organised on 28 September 2016 - 1 page;
- (7) Draft report on the definition of input data to assess GHG default emissions from biofuels in EU which was discussed during the workshops on 27 and 28 September 2016 – 332 pages.

No minutes were prepared for these events.

Names and contact details of the invited and registered participants in each of the following documents has been blanked out (with three exceptions in case of senior management level representatives) as disclosure is prevented by exceptions to the right of access laid down in Article 4 of Regulation 1049/2001:

- (1) List of experts that were invited to the workshop organised on 27 September 2016 (Point 1 above);
- (2) List of stakeholders that were invited to the workshop organised on 28 September 2016 (Point 2 above);
- (3) Participants' list of the workshop organised on 27 September 2016 (Point 3 above);
- (4) Participants' list of the workshop organised on 28 September 2016 (Point 4 above).

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.

When access is requested to documents containing personal data, Regulation (EC) No 45/2001 becomes fully applicable.

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.

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

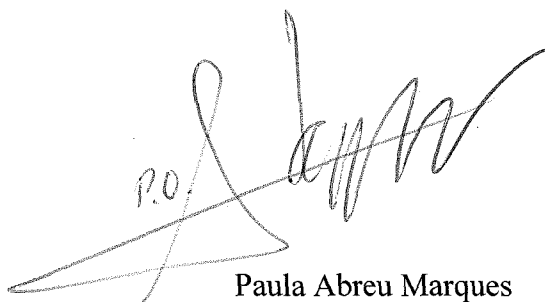
concerned. Therefore, we are disclosing the documents requested expunged from this personal data.

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:

European Commission
Secretary-General
Transparency unit SG-B-4
BERL 5/282
B-1049 Bruxelles
or by email to: sg-acc-doc@ec.europa.eu

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P.O.' followed by a stylized signature. The signature is written over a horizontal line.

Paula Abreu Marques