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Subject: Your confirmatory application for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 - GESTDEM 2021/3440

Dear Mr Cranston,

I refer to your e-mail of 14 July 2021, registered on 15 July 2021, by which you submit a confirmatory application in accordance with Article 7(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents¹ (hereafter 'Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001').

Your confirmatory application was submitted in relation to your initial application of 26 May 2021 in which you requested, I quote:

- 'All documentation (including but not limited to all email correspondence, attendance lists, agendas, background papers, transcripts, recordings and minutes/notes) relating to the meeting listed below:
- 1. Between Enviva, Drax Group plc, the US Industrial Pellet Association (USIPA), & AS Graanul Invest and Laure Chapuis-Kombos, cabinet member of Commissioner Kadri Simson on 18/05/2021 to discuss the options that the Commission are currently considering for the review of biomass sustainability within the proposal for REDIII and to discuss the role of sustainable bioenergy in the EU's energy and climate plans.'

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OJ L 145 of 31.5.2001, p. 43.

The initial request was assigned to the Directorate-General for Energy. As you did not receive an initial reply from that Directorate-General within the statutory time limits, you submitted a confirmatory application on 14 July 2021.

In the meantime, the initial reply in question was sent to you on 5 January 2022 (under reference number Ares(2022)70655).

Against this background, the Secretariat-General will close your confirmatory application related to the lack of initial reply.

You remain entitled to submit a new confirmatory application in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001, should you wish to request a review of the initial reply of 5 January 2022.

Yours sincerely,

María Oliván Avilés Head of Unit