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Subject: Hydrogen: Meeting with NGOs 22 April 2021 - Main Points
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Participants:

Representatives of environmental NGOs based in Brussels (coordinated by CAN Europe)

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Main Points:

- COM introduced the newly set-up hydrogen team in DG GROW
- NGOs raised concerns about what they perceived to be a disconnect between the Hydrogen Strategy and the Hydrogen Alliance
- NGOs explained that the Alliance was too industry-led and would in their view benefit from more proactive Commission steering
- NGOs called upon the COM to rule out any financial support for low-carbon hydrogen (focusing it exclusively on renewable hydrogen)
- NGOs underlined their opposition to blending hydrogen with methane gas in infrastructure (e.g. pipelines)
- NGOs called for the priority application of hydrogen in otherwise hard to abate sectors



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