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Subject: Your application for access to documents – Ref GestDem No 2016/6350

Dear Mr Peene,

I refer to your e-mail of 31 October 2016 to the Secretariat General in which you make a request for access to documents, followed by your clarification on the subject matter of your application. As far as DG ENV is concerned, your application received the above mentioned reference number (i.e. 2016/6350).

Please accept my apologies for the delay with which I reply to your request.

I hereby inform you that no documents were found that correspond to the description given in your application. As specified in Article 2(3) of Regulation (EC) no. 1049/2001, the right of access as defined in that Regulation applies only to existing documents in the possession of the institution. Given that no such documents have been identified, the Commission is not in a position to respond positively.

In accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) no. 1049/2001, you are entitled 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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BERL 5/282
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Yours sincerely,

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