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Subject: Meeting request - GRTgaz on Hydrogen study
Attachments: 2019_Hydrogen Europe Vision on the role of Hydrogen and Gas Infrastructu...pdf

Dear [REDACTED]

Following our conversation with your colleague, [REDACTED], I contact you to arrange a meeting with Mr Artur Runge Metzger if possible in order to introduce him the findings of a French study on the deployment and injection of hydrogen into the existing gas network.

As mentioned in our conversation with your colleague, GRTgaz is the primary gas transmission system operator (TSO) in France and a world expert in gas transmission that is fully committed to the Paris Agreement and supporting the European Commission's ambition to reach climate neutrality in 2050. The energy and ecological transition presents challenges, in particular for EU TSOs and is forcing a rethink of business models. The emergence of new value chains is already a reality today with the growth of biomethane and tomorrow with the ability to store excess electricity in the form of hydrogen.

With regards to hydrogen, our CEO, Mr Thierry Trouvé, is currently Chairman of the Hydrogen Europe Gas Grid Working Group where among other he helped steer the work on Hydrogen Europe's *Vision Paper on the Role of Hydrogen and Gas Infrastructure on the Road Toward a Climate Neutral Economy* (attached). Most recently, we were also asked by the French government to undertake the study mentioned above on the deployment and injection of hydrogen into the existing gas network. The entire French gas value chain was involved in this study and GRTgaz was the leading coordinator in this effort. The results of this study will be available as of October.

With a view to ongoing and future discussions on the development of the EU's Green Deal and the future of the European energy system, we would welcome the opportunity to discuss and exchange views with Mr Artur Runge Metzger on the future role of gas infrastructure and in particular on the increasingly important role we see for hydrogen. We would be keen to share with him the findings and learnings of the French study mentioned above.

Would Mr Artur Runge Metzger be available for a meeting on one of the following dates?

- 22/10
- 25/10
- 30/10
- 5/11
- 7/11
- 8/11

Thank you in advance for considering our meeting request. We remain at your disposal for any questions you might have.

Best regards,





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