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**Subject: Your e-mail concerning your applications for access to documents under Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 - GESTDEM 2021/3564**

Dear Ms Balanya,

I am writing in reference to your email of 20 July 2021, registered on 23 July 2021, by which you lodge a confirmatory application in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 regarding public access to European Parliament, Council and Commission documents<sup>1</sup> (hereafter 'Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001').

Your confirmatory application was submitted in relation to your initial application of 31 May 2021 in which you requested, I quote:

'1- all correspondence (including email) between 1st January 2021 and 31st May 2021 between Commissioner Timmermans, President van der Leyen, and/or their cabinets and/or officials from DG Clima and Secretariat General on one hand and representatives of Concawe/Fuels Europe, IOGP (International Association of Oil & Gas Producers, Eurogas, Cefic (European Chemical Industry Council), Business Europe, ERT (European Roundtable of Industrialists), IETA (International Emissions Trading Association), Hydrogen Europe, CEPS, Eurogas, Kangaroo Group, American Chamber of Commerce, British Chamber of Commerce | EU & Belgium (Britcham), ZEP Zero Emissions Platform, European Energy Forum, Friends of Europe, Bruegel, International Chamber of Commerce, Global Oil and Gas Industry Association for Environmental and Social Issues (IPIECA), Oil Council,

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L145, 31.05.2001, p. 43.

World Petroleum Council and/or Confindustria on the other, where the issues of COP26 was addressed.

2 - list of meetings/videocalls/calls between 1st January 2021 and 31st May 2021 between Commissioner Timmermans, President van der Leyen, and/or their cabinets and/or officials from DG Clima and Secretariat General on one hand and representatives of Concawe/Fuels Europe, IOGP (International Association of Oil & Gas Producers, Eurogas, Cefic (European Chemical Industry Council), Business Europe, ERT (European Roundtable of Industrialists), IETA (International Emissions Trading Association), Hydrogen Europe, CEPS, Eurogas, Kangaroo Group, American Chamber of Commerce, British Chamber of Commerce | EU & Belgium (Britcham), ZEP Zero Emissions Platform, European Energy Forum, Friends of Europe, Bruegel, International Chamber of Commerce, Global Oil and Gas Industry Association for Environmental and Social Issues (IPIECA), Oil Council, World Petroleum Council and/or Confindustria on the other, where the issues of COP26 was addressed.

3 - minutes of the meetings/videocalls/calls mentioned above.'

The initial request was assigned to the Directorate-General for Climate Action. As you did not receive an initial reply from that Directorate-General within the statutory time limits, you submitted a confirmatory application on 20 July 2021.

In the meantime, the initial reply in question was sent to you on 13 September 2021. In its reply, the Directorate-General for Climate Action identified 49 documents which were partially disclosed based on the exception laid down in Article 4(1)(b) (protection of privacy and the integrity of the individual) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001.

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 13 September 2021.

Yours sincerely,

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