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Subject: Your application for access to documents – GESTDEM 2021/3657

Dear Mr Pace,

We refer to your email of 03 June 2021 in which you make a request for access to documents, registered on 03 June 2021 under the above-mentioned reference number.

Please accept our apologies for the delay in replying to your request, due to the exceptional workload related to the 'Delivering the European Green Deal' legislative package.

You request access to:

All documents—including but not limited to correspondence, emails, minutes, notes (hand written or electronic), audio or video recordings, verbatim reports, operational conclusions, lines to take, briefings, and presentations—related to the meeting on May 27 between Thor-Sten Vertmann and Fortum Oyj, Statkraft AS and Vattenfall.

Your application concerns the following documents:

Ares reference	Date	Title
Ares(2021)1920298	15/03/2021	VTC MEETING REQUEST KS open date - with Fortum Cooperation CEO and representatives - role of direct and indirect electrification in decarbonization - Fit for 55% legislative process - CO2 free nuclear in EU decarbonization agenda
Ares(2021)2351773	31/03/2021	Reply to 1920298

Ares(2021)2585356	16/04/2021	VTC REQUEST LC 26-28/04 - 03-05-06/05/2021 with Nordic Coalition representatives (Fortum - Statkraft) - accepted
Ares(2021)2640558	19/04/2021	VTC teams REQUEST KN 27-29/04/2021 on Hydrogen with UPM, EDF, ArcelorMittal and Fortum representatives - declined
Ares(2021)2886556	27/04/2021	VTC MEETING REQUEST KS 28-29/06/2021 following previous correspondence - Fortum decarbonised electricity and clean gas transition plans - no reply
Ares(2021)7401782	27/05/2021	Minutes of the 27/05/2021 meeting Thor Vertmann with Nordic Coalition (Fortum - Statkraft -Vattenfall)

I am glad to inform you that you can have wide partial access to all documents, subject only to the redaction of personal data. Please find enclosed redacted copies of these documents.

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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 Secretariat-General of the Commission at the following address:

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Secretariat-General
Unit C.1. 'Transparency, Document Management and Access to Documents (SG.C.1)

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Yours faithfully,

(e-signed)

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