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Dagmara,

Is it necessary to have a meeting with the VP?



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Dear Vice-President Šeřčovič

Firstly, I would like to offer my best wishes to you and your team for 2018, I hope it is a successful one for you all!

I am writing to you today to request a meeting to discuss the findings of a recent EY study, attached, on the level of jobs and GVA generated by solar for the European Union. As part of this study EY examined the impact of removing trade measures from modules and cells imported from China to the EU and found that by doing so over 40,000 new jobs would be created in 2019. This is a significant number as the report also found that at today's rate of installation we are employing just over 80,000 in our sector. Therefore, removing the measures would increase jobs by 50% in this important clean technology so badly needed in Europe as our energy policies move energy consumption from fossil fuels to technologies such as solar power – which must replace the jobs that are inevitably declining in the traditional fossil fuel sectors.

I would also like to bring to your attention the study "Residential Prosumers in the European Energy Union" contained in the link below. This is a European Commission study from DG Justice and Consumers and it assess the current regulatory regime impacting solar self-consumers in Europe today.

[https://ec.europa.eu/commission/publications/accompanying-documents-state-energy-union\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/commission/publications/accompanying-documents-state-energy-union_en)

This report was launched alongside the State of the Energy Union in November. On page 180 you will read that the report's recommendations include removing the trade measures on cells and modules imported from China. The reason for this is contained in the country analyses from page 86 onwards. The model used by DG Justice and Consumers suggests that the removal of the measures will drive an increase in uptake of rooftop solar by some 20-30% in comparison to the baseline scenario. This is significant.

It is clear that the measures are reducing demand for solar from consumers, this is fundamentally against the interests of the European Union and the desire to have the consumer at the heart of the Energy Union. We therefore urge the Commission to continue on the path to phase the measures out this year.

I would be pleased to meet with you at your earliest convenience to explain our views on the 2 studies.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes



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