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Subject: **Your application for access to documents EASE 2023/5029**

Dear Sir,

We refer to your request for access to documents sent on 28 August 2023 registered under the above-mentioned reference number.

First of all, we apologize for the delay in this reply.

Your request for access to documents concerns the following information:

Any documents (including but not limited to written notes, emails and letters) exchanged between staff of DG ENV and DG AGRI during

- a) any informal consultations as well as*
- b) the Interservice Consultation regarding the proposed Soil Monitoring Law.*

We note that you have requested access to the same documents on 8 August 2023. That latter request was registered under case number EASE 2023/4764. The European Commission replied to it on 24 August 2023, reference Ares(2023)5784345. It granted access to the documents requested, with the exception of Article 4(1)(b) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001 for the personal data contained in them.

In your new request, the same Commission documents are requested. After careful examination, we concluded that there are no new documents falling within the scope of your request. Therefore, the earlier reply granting access has not changed.

Consequently, we refer you to the decision of the Commission of 24 August 2023, reference Ares(2023)5784345, granting access to the requested documents.

Should you disagree with the present decision, you are entitled to submit a confirmatory application requesting the Commission to review this position, in accordance with Article 7(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1049/2001. Nevertheless, we would like to draw your attention to the fact that the confirmatory review against this reply will focus on the question whether there are any additional legal and factual circumstances requiring the adoption of a new decision by the Commission.

Such a confirmatory application should be addressed to the Secretariat-General of the Commission within 15 working days upon receipt of this letter. You can submit it in one of the following ways:

by asking for a review via your portal account (<https://www.ec.europa.eu/transparency/documents-request>) (available only for initial requests submitted via the portal account),

or by mail:

European Commission
Secretariat-General
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Yours sincerely,

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