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Ref: ACCC/C/2012/70 (Czech Republic)

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Ms. Marie Petrová  
Ministry of the Environment  
65, Vršovická  
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Czech Republic

Dear Ms. Petrová,

**Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance  
by the Czech Republic with provisions of the Convention in connection with public participation and the  
implementation of the 2013 EU Emission Trading System (ACCC/C/2012/70)**

Please find enclosed the draft findings of the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee regarding communication ACCC/C/2012/70. The Committee completed its work on the draft findings in closed session at its forty-second meeting (Geneva, 24-27 September 2013).

The draft findings are now sent both to the Party concerned and the communicant for comments pursuant to paragraph 34 of the annex to decision I/7. You are invited to reply with your comments by **9 December 2013**. In finalizing the findings at its forty-third session (Geneva, 17-20 December 2013), the Committee will take into account any comments you submit on the draft by the set deadline.

Due to the fact that the fifth session of the Meeting of the Parties will take place in one year (Maastricht, the Netherlands, 30 June – 2 July 2014), the Committee is making its recommendations directly to the Meeting of the Parties. Nonetheless, the Committee considers that it is important for the Party concerned to indicate its agreement to the Committee making the recommendations, and would encourage you to do so and to take, or at least start, the recommended action as soon as possible, before the Meeting of the Parties in 2014. If you do not agree with the above, please indicate this clearly in your comments, or the Committee will assume that you agree.

Please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Marshall  
Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

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Enc: Draft findings on communication ACCC/C/2012/70