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Dear Ms. Feldmann, Mr. Piringer, Mr. Alge

Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Austria with provisions of the Convention in connection with access to justice in environmental matters in general (Ref. ACCC/C/2010/48)

We refer to our letter of 22 June 2010 informing you about the outcome of the twenty-eighth meeting of the Compliance Committee (15-18 June 2010) and to your subsequent request to the Committee on 6 June 2010 to allow for an extension of the initial deadline of 8 September 2010 for the Party concerned to address the allegations of the communication.

The Committee using its electronic decision-making procedure, reconsidered the matter and after taking note of the agreement of the communicant in this regard, expressed by letter of 2 June 2010 together with the revised version of the communication, it decided to allow for an extension of the deadline for submission of your response to the allegations of the communication and to its questions of 23 June 2010 by one month. Hence, you are invited to send your response no later than **8 October 2010**.

The Committee also provisionally scheduled the discussion of the communication to take place at its thirtieth meeting (14-17 December 2010).

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,



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Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

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