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Dear Mr. Konrad, Ms. Wiedner,

Dear Mr. Swords,

Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by the European Union in connection with access to information and public participation in the adoption of a list of projects of common interest (ACCC/C/2013/96)

At its forty-ninth meeting (Geneva, 30 June – 3 July 2015), the Committee noted that the communicant had provided further information on its use of domestic remedies on 21 June 2015 with respect to the issues raised in the communication.

After taking into account the information received, the Committee re-confirmed its earlier determination of preliminary admissibility with respect to the allegations concerning article 7 of the Convention.

With respect to the allegations concerning article 4 of the Convention, the Committee requested the secretariat to ask the Party concerned to provide examples of the costs for cases on access to information at all instances before the EU courts, and to invite the communicant to comment on the information provided. The Committee agreed that it would decide how to proceed in the light of the information received.

I would be grateful if the Party concerned could provide the requested examples of the costs for cases on access to information by **2 November 2015**. The communicant is invited to provide its comments within 7 days thereafter, i.e. by **9 November 2015** on the information provided by the Party concerned.

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

Yours sincerely,

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Fiona Marshall
Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Permanent Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva