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Subject: Reporting pursuant to Article 19(2) of Directive 2009/28/EC

We received DG TREN's letter of 13 October 2009 (ref. TREND/D1/TH/gdc D(2009) 66550) informing Latvia of the reporting requirements incumbent on Member States under Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources and amending and subsequently repealing Directives 2001/77/EC and 2003/30/EC (hereinafter Directive 2009/28/EC).

Pursuant to Article 19(2) of Directive 2009/28/EC, we would inform DG ENER as follows:

In order to comply with Regulation (EC) No 1059/2003 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 May 2003 on the establishment of a common classification of territorial units for statistics (NUTS), the Latvian Government issued Cabinet Order No 271 of 28 April 2004 on the statistical regions of the Republic of Latvia and their constituent administrative units (hereinafter 'Cabinet Order No 271'). In accordance with paragraph 1.2 of Cabinet Order No 271, the entire territory of Latvia is classified as NUTS level 2.

On the basis of an analysis of the findings of studies carried out in Latvia, it may be concluded that the method used in the studies to calculate greenhouse gas emissions conforms to the method described in Annex V to Directive 2009/28/EC, and the typical greenhouse gas emissions from the cultivation of agricultural raw materials throughout Latvia may be expected to be higher than the emissions reported in Part D of Annex V to Directive 2009/28/EC.

In the light of the above, we conclude that Latvia does not have to submit a report in accordance with Article 19(2) of Directive 2009/28/EC.

Yours faithfully,

[signed]

State Secretary

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