



The third European Action Plan on Energy Efficiency

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Dear President Barroso,

The undersigned organisations note with regret that the presentation by the European Commission of the third European Union Energy Efficiency Action Plan (EU EEAP) has been postponed for reasons apparently linked to the institutional changes in the Commission.

The EU's 20% energy savings target underpins Europe's other two, more high profile, energy and climate objectives, of CO₂ reduction and renewables expansion. As we approach COP 15 in Copenhagen, the EU is well off track from reaching its target of 20% energy savings by 2020. Agreement on an ambitious legal framework for energy efficiency measures together with a clear view on short- and mid-term action is needed.

The participants in the Energy Efficiency Industrial Forum (EEIF) stress that we support DG TREN in giving priority and promoting clear action on Energy Efficiency. The proposal and drafting of a reviewed EU EEAP is timely and necessary, and it is hoped that the months made available by the current delay of publication can be used as an opportunity to develop a well formulated, ambitious and deliverable final proposal, with clear implementation and timetable details. The EEIF is ready to offer its support in enabling this final outcome in whatever way possible.

We also call on the incoming Commission to prioritise this dossier and to take forward the review of the EEAP with a commitment to early publication once the new term of office begins.

Yours sincerely,

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CECED represents the household appliance manufacturing industry in Europe. Its member companies employ over 200,000 people, are mainly based in Europe, and have a turnover of about EUR 40 billion. If upstream and downstream business is taken together, the sector employs over 500,000 people. Direct Members are Arçelik, BSH Bosch und Siemens Hausgeräte GmbH, Candy Group, De'Longhi, Electrolux AB, Fagor Group, Gorenje, Liebherr, Indesit Company, Merloni Termosanitari, Miele, Philips, SEB and Whirlpool Europe. CECED's member associations cover the following countries: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and the United Kingdom.

COGEN Europe is Europe's umbrella organisation representing the interests of the cogeneration industry, users of the technology and promoting its benefits in the EU and the wider Europe. The association is backed by the key players in the industry including gas and electricity companies, ESCOs, equipment suppliers, consultancies, national promotion organisations, financial and other service companies.

EFIEES represents Energy Efficiency Service Companies. These companies ensure an overall management of energy demand to end-users. They provide operational maintenance and management of equipments of their industrial, tertiary and residential customers (collective or individual), public or private: this covers, in particular, sportive installations schools and hospitals. They commit, by long-term contract, on a technical, financial, economic and environmental performance. Their remuneration is based on the performance commitment, defined on compliance with operating quality standards and/or delivery on supply of improvements in energy efficiency. EFIEES' members represent 25 million tons of CO₂ in 13 EU Member States, emitted by district

heating networks and by “outsourced” combustion industrial installations they run. They employ 130.000 people across EU with a turn-over of 30 billion of Euros.

The European Copper Institute (ECI) is a joint venture between the world's mining companies (represented by the International Copper Association, Ltd) and the European copper industry. Its mission is to promote copper's benefits in sustainable electrical energy across Europe through its headquarters in Brussels and a network of eleven Copper Development Associations.

ELC Federation - Created in 1985, the European Lamp Companies Federation (ELC) is both the forum and the voice of the lamp industry in Europe. It represents the leading European lamp manufacturers, which collectively directly employ 50,000 people, and account for 95 percent of total European production, with an annual turnover in Europe of 5 billion euros. From the outset, ELC objectives have been to promote efficient lighting practice for a sustainable environment and the advancement of human comfort, health and safety. To this end, ELC monitors, advises and co-operates with legislative bodies in developing European Directives and Regulations relevant to the European lamp industry.

The European Alliance of Companies for Energy Efficiency in Buildings (EuroACE) represents Europe's leading companies involved with the manufacture, distribution and installation of energy savings goods and services for buildings. With a total turnover of 140 billion euros and employing 328,000 people, the EuroACE mission is to help Europe move towards a more sustainable pattern of energy use in buildings.

Eurima is the European Insulation Manufacturers Association and represents the interests of all major mineral wool insulation producers throughout Europe. Eurima members employ directly over 20,000 people across Europe, with the installation of insulation products accounting for an estimated additional 300,000 man-years annually.

Glass for Europe is the trade association for Europe's manufacturers of building, automotive and transport glass, all derived from flat glass. Glass products not only provide light, comfort, style, security and safety, they are also essential to energy-efficient buildings, houses and transport. Windows containing high-performance glass such as low-e insulating glass, which helps keep warmth in, and solar-control glass, which reflects unwanted heat away, help reduce energy consumption, while high-transmission glass used in solar panels helps to provide a renewable source of energy. Glass for Europe has four members accounting for nearly 90% of the EU's flat glass production: AGC Glass Europe, NSG-Pilkington, Saint-Gobain Glass and Sisecam-Trakya Cam and works in association with Guardian.

PU-Europe is the European association representing the rigid polyurethane insulation industry. Its products help to save energy in a wide variety of applications in buildings, district heating, cooling and refrigeration, and industrial systems. BING members have a total turnover of Euro 4 billion and provide 18,000 jobs.