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Dear Mr.Brakeland, Dear Mr.Swords,

Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by the European Union with provisions of the Convention in connection with the renewable energy programme in Ireland (Ref. ACCC/C/2010/54)

At its thirty-seventh meeting (Geneva, 26-29 June 2012), the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee finalized its findings with regard to the above communication in closed session, taking into account the comments received from the communicant and the Party concerned on 27 and 29 May 2012, respectively. It then adopted its findings and instructed the secretariat to prepare official versions of its adopted findings on ACCC/C/2010/54 as a formal pre-session document to its thirty-ninth meeting (11-14 December 2012) and to ensure its availability in the three official ECE languages.

Please find enclosed an advance unedited English copy of the Committee's findings as adopted.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat.

Yours sincerely.

Aphrodite Smagadi

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

Enc Findings on communication ACCC/C/2010/54