

To: Jean Claude Juncker, President of the European Commission

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### **Increasing 2030 efficiency target and restarting EU's Ecodesign policy**

Dear President,

This year is the European Commission's year of delivery for the Energy Union, which is the opportunity to present a compelling energy efficiency package for the benefit of people and businesses.

Therefore the Coalition for Energy Savings, which unites a broad alliance of stakeholders including businesses and consumers, believes that it is essential to put in place an overarching target which is aligned with the real cost-effective energy efficiency potential which research identified at 40%. Over the last years, energy efficiency policies have shown to deliver more than expected, bringing the 2020 target well within reach and allowing increasing ambition for 2030.

These policies include the important EU measures, the provisions and standards set by the Energy Efficiency, Energy Performance of Buildings and Ecodesign and Energy Labelling Directives.

Together with the Energy label, the Ecodesign policy has contributed to transforming the market. While the Energy Label provides consumers with clear and easily understandable information on the energy performances of appliances, Ecodesign measures have been effective because they set minimum performances standards on measurable parameters. Through cost-effective Ecodesign requirements, a huge amount of old inefficient products have been phased out, allowing substantial energy and bill savings. And there is much more energy savings potential. Technologies are here and need to be provided a proper framework to unleash their potentials.

Therefore it is important that the Ecodesign process is restarted rapidly and that the Commission decides on the working plan and stalled measures, together with the Winter package expected before the end of the year, as this is holding back a significant amount of energy savings which can benefit citizens and businesses alike.

In order to discuss this further, I would like to request a meeting on behalf of the Coalition for Energy Savings. As this is a matter of significant importance we would be very happy if this meeting can be arranged in the next weeks before the expected presentation of the energy efficiency package.

Yours sincerely,



Paolo Falcioni, President



The Coalition for Energy Savings (AISBL) strives to make energy efficiency and savings the first consideration of energy policies and the driving force towards a secure, sustainable and competitive European Union. Its membership unites businesses, professionals, local authorities, trade unions, consumer and civil society organisations in pursuit of this goal. The Coalition calls on the EU to commit itself to a 40% energy saving target by 2030, and to step up policies, measures and investments in order to stop energy waste and tap the considerable energy savings potentials.

Coalition members represent:

- more than 500 associations and 200 companies
- 15 million supporters and more than 2 million employees
- 2,500 cities and towns in 30 countries in Europe

*Members of the Coalition are:*

*Architects' Council of Europe (ACE), BEUC (The European Consumer Organisation), CEE Bankwatch Network, ClientEarth, Climate Action Network Europe (CAN-Europe), Climate Alliance, COGEN Europe, E3G, Energy Cities, Euroheat & Power (EHP), European Alliance of Companies for Energy Efficiency in Buildings (EuroACE), European Alliance to Save Energy (EU-ASE), European Association for the Consumption-based Billing of Energy Costs (EVVE), European Association of Polyurethane Insulation Manufacturers (PU Europe), European Climate Foundation, European Committee of Domestic Equipment Manufacturers (CECED), European Copper Institute, European Council for an Energy Efficient Economy (eceee), European Environmental Bureau (EEB), European Federation of Intelligent Energy Efficiency Services (EFIEES), European Federation of Building and Woodworkers (EFBWW), European Insulation Manufacturers Association (Eurima), European Federation of Public, Cooperative & Social Housing (Housing Europe), European Partnership for Energy and the Environment (EPEE), Friends of the Earth Europe, Glass for Europe, Lighting Europe, Transport & Environment (T&E) and WWF, as well as advisory members Buildings Performance Institute Europe (BPIE) and Regulatory Assistance Project (RAP).*