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Dear Director Lorkowski,

On May 25th, 2023, the Federal Ministry for Climate Action, Environment, Energy, Mobility, Innovation, and Technology entered into a Fiduciary Agreement with the Energy Community Secretariat and the Ministry of Energy of Ukraine for a contribution to the Ukraine Energy Support Fund, complemented by Additional Commitments, for a total amount of EUR 15 million. In view of the ongoing destruction by Russia, especially targeted at the Ukrainian energy infrastructure, Ukraine has repeatedly called for further financial support to keep the energy system operating in a stable manner.

With this letter, in accordance with § 1 (2) of the Fiduciary Agreement, we are pleased to announce an additional Grant by the Federal Ministry of Economy, Energy and Tourism of

EUR 500.000 (EUR 0.5 million)

to the Ukraine Energy Support Fund ("the Third Additional Commitment").

With the EUR 15 million already contributed to the Ukraine Energy Support Fund, the Federal Ministry of Economy, Energy and Tourism is contributing an additional EUR 500.000 for purposes of the Ukraine Energy Support Fund and in line with the provisions of the Fiduciary Agreement.

Herewith, the Federal Ministry of Economy, Energy and Tourism also amends its Earmarking Declaration by replacing it with the **attached Earmarking Declaration applicable to the Third Additional Commitment**.

In this way, we aim to contribute substantially to the common goal of securing the energy supply for the Ukrainian economy and the Ukrainian people of the next years.

In this context, I would like to underline two political priorities of particular importance for both Austria and Ukraine: First, the continued strengthening of Ukraine's energy infrastructure – especially in terms of grid integration, system stability, and the expansion of renewable generation – is a shared strategic interest. This effort reinforces regional energy security and supports Ukraine's gradual alignment with the EU energy market. Second, Austria strongly supports deepened institutional and regulatory cooperation with the Energy Community, in order to advance reforms, improve investment conditions, and accompany Ukraine on its path towards full compliance with European energy and climate standards. In this regard, Austrian companies with long-standing expertise in grid development, renewable technologies and energy system modernization could also provide valuable contributions to Ukraine's reconstruction efforts, where appropriate and in close coordination with Ukrainian partners.

Please accept the assurances of our highest consideration.

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Yours sincerely,



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