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To the Director Generals of the Ministries of Energy and of the National Regulatory Authorities of the EU Member States To the Director and Chairman of the Board of Regulators of ACER To the President of ENTSO-E

Dear Sir/Madam,

On 20 July 2011, we had a fruitful meeting on potential cross-border impacts of national energy mix decisions and on how to ensure that energy policy measures taken at all levels - national, regional and European - are mutually supportive.

At the informal Energy Council in Wroclaw on 19 and 20 September 2011 European energy ministers further debated the European dimension of future electricity generation decisions. The discussion underlined the need for an intensified coordination, especially in the electricity sector. While decisions on energy mix fall, as a matter of principle, within the competence of Member States, Energy Ministers concluded that the consequences of such decisions on the internal market require a structured exchange of information among Member States. Based on experience in the gas sector, some delegations proposed the creation of an Electricity Coordination Group, involving the Commission, Member States, Energy Regulators and the European Network of Transmission System Operators (ENTSO-E).

Given the broad interest expressed at the informal Energy Council in setting up such a group to monitor power generation and transmission challenges, I would like to invite you for a first meeting of such group. The meeting will take place in Brussels, at the Borschette Center - Rue Froissart 36 – Room AB-0C, on Friday, 2 December 2011, from 14h30 to 17h00.

Each Member State and Regulator, as well as ENTSO-E, is kindly requested to nominate two permanent representatives (one of which is recommended to be the Director-General or Secretary-General) and two alternate representatives, by filling out the attached form

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and returning it by 24 November to Ms Marie-Thérèse Angioi (E-mail: marietherese.angioi@ec.europa.eu). May I also kindly request to indicate who will be present at the meeting. The detailed agenda of this meeting will follow soon.

I look forward to welcoming you on 2 December 2011.

Yours sincerely,

Philip Lowe