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Mr Miguel Arias Cañete Commissioner for Climate Action and Energy European Commission

Dear Commissioner,

Referring to my previous letter of September 18, 2018 (DSM.II.5102.15.2018, IK 269799) and our meeting during my visit to Brussels on September 19, 2018, hereby I would like to request that you convene the meeting of the Climate Change Committee. The aim of the meeting would be to discuss and put forward a direct countermeasure preventing the excessive rise of the price of the European Emission Allowances (EUAs) while contributing to the stabilization of the ETS market in the long term.

According to the assessment of the Polish government, the prerequisite set out in art. 29a of the *Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 October 2003 establishing a scheme for greenhouse gas emission allowance trading within the Community (ETS directive)* has already been met.

Very high level of the carbon prices has been lingering on the European market, thus negatively affecting the competitiveness of the European and Polish enterprises, including energy-intensive ones. The situation has also a negative impact on the welfare of the Polish households. As a consequence, it may result in a lack of public acceptance of the European Union climate policy and in a decline of turnout among the Polish society in the upcoming European Parliament elections.

Furthermore, I would like to clearly stress that Poland has been taking a number of actions fitting into the EU policy on the greenhouse gases emissions reduction. However, it may not be carried out at the cost of the energy market destabilization and the breach of the core principles of the energy security of Poland.

Hereby, I declare my readiness to conduct a constructive dialogue in order to find a proper solution aimed at smoothing the effect of the recently identified excessive price fluctuations of the carbon allowances.

In my opinion, maintaining the competitiveness of the European economy and ensuring wealth of the EU citizens is as important as natural environment that is clean and free from excessive emissions.

Yours faithfully,

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