









To: REDII European Parliament Trilogue Delegation

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Re: Congratulations for a strong and ambitious EU Parliament Position & recognizing the need for safeguards to avoid unnecessary market distortions

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Honourable Members of the European Parliament, Dear REDII Trilogue Delegation,

The undersigning organisations would like to congratulate you for a strong and ambitious outcome at the European Parliament plenary vote on the Commission's recast proposal on the "Promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources" (REDII).

We particularly recognize your work on the aspect that our organisations are most concerned about, which is the need for this Directive to complement the current state aid rules in order to mitigate the real and disruptive effects that national support schemes for renewable electricity and heat can have on the established use of woody biomass and waste as raw material.

At the Plenary vote, the compromise amendments on mitigating the effects of market disruptions rightly focused on introducing clear wording into the body of Articles 3 and 4 of the Directive. We also strongly support that the proposed wording is aligned with the objectives of the Circular Economy, thus promoting resource efficient use of renewable raw materials.

These important considerations were all adopted by large majorities from across the whole political spectrum, resulting in a very strong and clear signal from the European Parliament.

We wish you all the best for the upcoming negotiations with Council and would like to highlight that our organisations are at your disposal should you require any further technical, legal or market and industry-based support on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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