





To the attention of M. DONNELLY **DG** Energy Directorate C Renewables, Research and Innovation, Energy Efficiency

Brussels, 18 November 2013

Subject: The impact of energy technologies and innovation on the electricity sector and employment

Dear Mrs. Donnelly, dear Mrs. Constantinescu,

The European Social partners for the electricity industry would like to express their thanks for the presentation on Energy Technologies and Innovation in Europe that Mrs. Constantinescu made in the Plenary Meeting of the European Social Dialogue Committee for the Electricity Committee on 13 September 2013. It was much appreciated.

As social partners we are interested in the subject of new technologies, the demand for new services, changing work processes and work patterns and the impact these can have on our industry, on employment and on the working conditions of the workers in the electricity industry. We found the information provided on the employment over the life of a facility, the future shares of employment in certain technologies very interesting and relevant for our work.

As social partners we would request that you integrate systematically the employment and social dimension in your research and innovation projects and the roadmap and inform the social partners about the results of your projects. It is important for the social partners to have a deep understanding of the implications of technological developments for the industry and employment.

We look forward to staying in contact,

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