

Commissioner Thierry Breton
European Commission
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Subject: *Net Zero Industry Act* and renewable fuels technologies

Dear Commissioner Breton,

Ahead of the publication of the proposal on the *Net Zero Industry Act* (NZIA), we – key companies and organisations from across the sustainable aviation fuel (SAF) value chain – are writing to convey the importance of including renewable fuels technologies, particularly for the production of SAF, within the scope of the proposed regulation.

Whilst we fully support the intent of the *Green Deal Industrial Plan*, including the imminent NZIA proposal, to enhance the competitiveness of Europe's decarbonised industries, we understand that renewable fuels technologies are absent from a draft version of the NZIA proposal.

We are concerned that this sends the wrong signal for companies that want to accelerate investment in SAF – which is needed at scale to help decarbonise the aviation sector in Europe.

In the face of global competition for investments to help move towards net zero, it is essential that the NZIA recognises the key role of renewable fuels technologies. A net zero energy system requires massive investment in renewable fuels, consistent with the International Energy Agency's *Roadmap to Net Zero by 2050* report.

- Conversely, we believe the omission of renewable fuels technologies would send the wrong signal for investment – and run counter to the intent of attracting investment in all the supportive technologies and production facilities that are needed in the journey towards net zero and require significant investment in the near term.

We trust you will take our concerns into consideration and remain at your disposal should you or your team wish to discuss further.

Yours sincerely,



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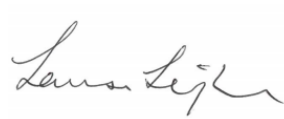
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