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Dear Mr Hodson,

Pursuant to paragraph 5 article 14 of Directive 2012/27/EU on energy efficiency Member States shall ensure that a cost-benefit analysis in accordance with Part 2 of Annex IX is carried out in cases referred to this paragraph, after 5 June 2014.

Pursuant to paragraph 6 Member States may exempt from paragraph 5:

- (a) those peak load and back-up electricity generating installations which are planned to operate under 1 500 operating hours per year as a rolling average over a period of five years, based on a verification procedure established by the Member States ensuring that this exemption criterion is met;
- (b) nuclear power installations;
- (c) installations that need to be located close to a geological storage site approved under Directive 2009/31/EC

and shall notify exemptions adopted under this paragraph to the Commission by 31 December 2013.

**I would like to inform you that the Czech Republic applies exemptions for (a) and (b) of paragraph 6.**

The Czech Republic may also possibly lay down thresholds, expressed in terms of the amount of available useful waste heat, the demand for heat or the distances between industrial installations and district heating networks, for exempting individual installations from the provisions of points (c) and (d) of paragraph 5.

Yours sincerely,

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