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To the attention of Ms. Paulina Hennig-Kloska

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To the attention of Ms. Dorota Zawadzka-Stępnik

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Subject: 24th of July meeting in Warsaw - Follow-up letter from the European Heat Pump Association (EHPA) and the Heat Pump KEYMARK Group

Dear Ms. Hennig-Kloska, dear Ms. Zawadzka-Stępnik,

I hope you are well and that the summer break has been beneficial to you.

We are addressing present letter regarding the recognition of the Heat Pump KEYMARK (HP KEYMARK) certification giving access to the Heat Pump subsidy program in Poland.

We are following up on the constructive exchange we had at the meeting on July 24th organised at the NFEPWM premises in Warsaw.

During the meeting, we clearly identified and agreed on the value and benefits of a third-party certification scheme, supported by accredited laboratories and a robust annual monitoring including on-site audits.

HP KEYMARK is a certification scheme referred, *as unique*, at European level to demonstrate overall quality, compliance with Ecodesign requirements complemented with performance obligations as defined through European standards.

Following our discussion on the 24th of July, on our part, we have retained the following essential points:

- The value of a European certification is clearly recognized
- HP KEYMARK certification is used today as a reference for the eligibility of products in the ZUM list

- In the future, an alternative option will be proposed to access to the ZUM list. The process set up by the competent Polish authorities is to provide an alternative option, without necessarily having to refer to existing certification schemes
- Beyond January 2025, for eligibility to the ZUM list, will coexist a Polish national process and the HP KEYMARK certification program
- HP KEYMARK is committed to greater clarity and transparency, in particular; regarding the laboratories used for testing. It has already been agreed internally (HPK) that the official HPK certificates will mention the laboratories involved in the certification.

To dispel any questions, to strengthen the effort of decarbonization and an efficient energy transition, in order to boost the Polish market of quality heat pumps, the European Heat Pump Association (EHPA) joins the Steering Committee, the Scheme Group Committee and the Secretariat of HP KEYMARK to ask you to confirm the following points:

- 1- Acceptance beyond December 31, 2024 of the HP KEYMARK certification program and this without special conditions
- 2- Confirm direct acceptance of existing and future HP KEYMARK Certificates and related test reports with no additional testing or documentation requirements

We are confident that, with your support and your efficient approach, a communication will be made rapidly to confirm the two above points. Such communication could only impact positively heat pump sector in Poland for the many reasons we are all already aligned with.

Thank you,

Best regards

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