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Dear Mr. Ioannidis,

Thank you for your letter of May 19, 2017, presenting the position of several communities regarding the creation of a dedicated Just Transition Fund, as part of the ongoing revision of the EU Emissions Trading System (EU ETS).

The Council and the European Parliament are entering in the final stages of the negotiations for the revision of the EU ETS in the next decade. The European Commission will continue to act as an honest broker between the co-legislators and I am convinced that the institutions will find a common position on a robust EU ETS in a timely manner. Facilitating a socially just low-carbon transition remains an important aspect of EU policy, which is supported by several instruments, including regional policy.

Thank you for your constructive input to the ongoing negotiations.

Yours sincerely,

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