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**Subject: Questionnaire on Ecolabels**

Dear Unit A4 team,

On behalf of the Market Advisory Council, please find together with this letter the responses received to the questionnaire on Ecolabels circulated by the Secretariat last month. These have been treated in strict confidentiality by the Secretary and they have neither been edited nor read by any other member of the MAC. We kindly request you to maintain this confidentiality with regards to the authorship of these responses.

We hope you find these useful in your evaluation of the situation.

However the MAC would like to stress its concerns with regards to the unusual process carried out with regards to this issue. The MAC is a forum of stakeholders aiming at providing opinions to the European Commission, and we feel that we were not able to do so at this stage. For this reason, and in order to better perform our role with regards to this topic, we kindly request you to provide us in due time with the conclusions you draw from these responses. This will help us to better inform an opinion and move forward towards a balanced discussion where members will have the opportunity, if they wish so, to express their views.

Yours sincerely,

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Questionnaire on Ecolabels – responses received