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Mr. Josef Unterweger
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Buchfeldgasse 19a
1080 Vienna, Austria

Dear Mr. Unterweger,

Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Austria with provisions of the Convention in connection with access to justice in criminal proceedings regarding contravention of national environmental law (ACCC/C/2011/63)

At its forty-second meeting (Geneva, 24-27 September 2013), the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee finalized its findings with regard to the above communication in closed session, taking into account the comments received from the Party concerned on 23 August 2013. It then adopted its findings and instructed the secretariat to prepare official versions of its adopted findings on ACCC/C/2011/63 as a formal pre-session document to its forty-fourth meeting (25-28 March 2014) and to ensure its availability in the three official ECE languages.

Please find enclosed an advance unedited English copy of the Committee's findings as adopted.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "F Marshall".

Fiona Marshall
Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Ms. Lieselotte Feldmann, Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forests, Environment and Water Management, Austria
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Enc Findings on communication ACCC/C/2011/63