## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

Cabinet of Vice-President Antonio Tajani **Head of Cabinet** 

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Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter to VP Tajani received on 20 March 2013, concerning the draft standard FprEN 50561-1 for Power Line Transmission (PLT) devices.

The European Commission will continue to implement the provisions of EU legislation in support of the internal market, including those relative to the consistency of the standards with the requirements foreseen in the law.

In 2001, the Commission addressed Mandate 313 to CENELEC and ETSI to develop harmonised standards for telecommunication networks, including PLT ones. At the moment the draft standard FprEN50561-1 for PLT, which was approved by a large majority of the National Standardisation Organisations, is under examination by the Commission services in view of a possible publication of its reference in the Official Journal as a harmonised standard in support of the EMC Directive<sup>1</sup>.

My services are considering contributions from different parties as well as from experts of our Member States' national administrations. In this regard, I would like to thank you for your contribution.

In any case, Member States always have the possibility to raise an objection to any harmonised standard when they have justified reasons to consider that the standard does not comply with the essential requirements set in the EU legislation.

I would like to reassure you that we will continue to work in order to ensure the full application of EU legislation.

Yours sincerely,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Directive 2004/108/EC