

**Miguel ARIAS CAÑETE**Member of the European Commission

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Dear Minister Ygeman,

Thank you for your letter dated 25 July 2019 and for the clarifications provided. I take note of your position regarding Government Ordinance 2018:1520 establishing a revenue cap for electricity network operations. The Commission is also aware of Sweden's intervention in support of Germany in case C-718/18 currently pending before the Court of Justice.

Safeguarding the independence of national regulatory authorities is an issue to which the Commission attaches key importance. The Commission therefore maintains its view that Sweden's national regulatory authority should be empowered to take fully autonomous decisions, independently from any government instructions.

My services will follow closely the developments before the Court of Justice and remain open to discuss with your authorities in order to find a solution. Such discussions should certainly not prejudice the on-going procedure before the Court of Justice.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Anders Ygeman Minister of Energy and Digital Development Ministry of the Environment and Energy of the Kingdom of Sweden

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## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**



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Dear Ambassador,

Please find enclosed a letter from Commissioner Miguel Arias Cañete to Mr Anders Ygeman, Minister for Environment and Energy of Sweden.

I would be grateful if you could forward the letter to him.

Yours sincerely,

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