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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 of 20 October 2010 laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market<sup>1</sup>, and in particular Article 8(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The European Commission received on 22 March 2012 an application for recognition by NEPCon, Denmark, declaring that they intend to function as a monitoring organisation in all the Member States with the exception of Italy.
- (2) The European Commission acknowledged receipt of the application on 22 March 2012.
- (3) In accordance with Article 2(5) of Commission delegated Regulation (EU) 363/2012 of 23 February 2012 on the procedural rules for the recognition and withdrawal of recognition of monitoring organisations as provided for in the Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 of 20 October 2010 laying down the obligations of operators who place timber and timber products on the market<sup>2</sup> the European Commission sent the application on 31 October 2012 for consultation to the Member States concerned. Comments were received from Germany, France, Sweden and the Netherlands within the statutory deadline of one month.
- (4) In accordance with Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 363/2012 the applicant was requested to provide additional information in an email dated 28 January 2013.
- (5) The applicant provided the requested additional information and submitted a revised application on 7 February 2013.
- (6) A meeting of a Commission Steering group set up specifically to assess applications for monitoring organisations was held on 14 March 2013 in Brussels at which the applicant presented its application in person.
- (7) In accordance with Article 3 of Regulation (EU) 363/2012 the applicant was requested to provide additional information and clarifications in an email dated 26 March 2013.
- (8) The applicant provided the requested additional information and clarifications, and amended the application accordingly on 29 April 2013.
- (9) On the basis of the documents submitted by the applicant the Steering group reached a conclusion on 20 June 2013 that the application fulfils the requirements set out in

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<sup>1</sup> OJ L 295, 12.11. 2010, p. 23.

<sup>2</sup> OJ L 115, 27.4.2012, p. 12.

Article 8(2) of Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 and the applicant could be recognised by the Commission as a monitoring organisation.

- (10) The European Commission has assessed on the basis of all the documentary evidence submitted whether the applicant fulfils the requirements sets out in Article 8(2) of Regulation (EU) No 995/2010 and considers that NEPCon, Denmark, Guldsmedgade 34, 1, 8000 Århus C fulfils the requirements of Article 8(2) of Regulation (EU) No 995/2010,

HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

*Article 1*

NEPCon, Denmark, Guldsmedgade 34, 1, 8000 Århus C, is recognised as a monitoring organisation in accordance with Article 8(3) of Regulation (EU) No 995/2010.

*Article 2*

The Director-General of the Directorate-General for Environment is instructed to ensure that the applicant and the competent authorities in all the Member States are notified of this Decision and that this Decision is published on the Commission's website without delay.

Done at Brussels, 19.8.2013

*For the Commission*  
*Janez POTOČNIK*  
*Member of the Commission*