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Dear President,

The Commission would like to thank the Poslanecká sněmovna for its Opinion concerning the Communication on making the Internal Energy Market work {COM (2012) 663 final}.

The Commission is aware of the impact of unscheduled power flows (also called "loop flows") on the electricity infrastructure and market distortions caused by different national support schemes for renewable energy. The Commission would like to confirm that both of these topics remain high on the Commission's agenda. As concerns loop flows, Commissioner Oettinger has organised two high-level meetings with the involved parties, resulting in significant improvements of the situation, notably on the German-Polish border. The Czech Republic and Germany, assisted by the Commission, are currently working on a similar solution for the Czech-German border. As concerns problems caused by non-coordinated renewables support schemes, the Commission intends to publish a guidance paper this year that will clarify which types of support schemes it considers compatible with European rules and which types or elements of support schemes raise problems and should be phased out or amended.

The Commission hopes that these clarifications address the concerns raised by the Poslanecká sněmovna and looks forward to continuing our political dialogue in the future.

Yours faithfully,

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