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Letter to:

Mr. Yurii Vlasenko, Chairman, NEURC, Kyiv, Ukraine

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EU Delegation in Kyiv

Dear Mr. Chairman Vlasenko,

Thank you for your letter communicated to the Energy Community Secretariat on 12 December 2025, concerning the proposed amendments to legislation regarding the strengthening of independence guarantees for the National Energy and Utilities Regulatory Commission (NEURC).

We are grateful for your willingness to share your comprehensive views and well-considered opinions on this important matter. We note with appreciation your strong support for provisions that would institutional capacity enhance NEURC's and operational independence.

Let me respectfully clarify that Draft Law No. 14282 has not yet been formally assessed by the Secretariat, as no official request for such an assessment has been received from the competent authorities in Ukraine. Nevertheless, we acknowledge and take due note of the information you have kindly shared with us, which we understand has been derived from publicly available sources.

Please be assured that the Energy Community Secretariat attaches the highest importance to the institutional capacity and operational independence of National Regulatory Authorities. We firmly believe that ensuring NEURC's independence is of paramount importance for Ukraine's continued progress along the path toward European integration. We remain fully committed to providing our assistance to Ukraine in achieving alignment of its energy sector regulation and NEURC's functioning with the Energy Community acquis.

Best regards,

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