

## How the European Commission dealt with a request for public access to documents concerning the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG)

Case opened

**Case 2128/2022/KR - Opened on 16/12/2022 - Decision on 03/02/2023 - Institution concerned** European Commission |

Secretariat-General

European Commission

Dear Mr,

The Ombudsman has received a complaint from Mr X, on behalf of Y, against European Commission. The Ombudsman has asked me to deal with this complaint.

The complaint concerns the Commission's failure to reply within the deadlines established by Regulation 1049/2001 to the confirmatory application for access to documents registered under GestDem 2022/4114. The Commission extended the time limit for its reply to 17 November 2022, but has not provided the complainant with a reply within the extended time limit.

We would suggest, if you have not done so in the meantime, that you now reply to the complainant and inform us when it is done. We would be grateful if you could send your reply as soon as possible, and not later than 13 January 2023.

We have also decided that it would be useful to receive, at this stage, a list of the documents the Commission has identified as falling within the scope of the complainant's request. We would also like to share this list with the complainant. We would be grateful to receive the list by 13 January 2023.

Please note that, at this stage, our inquiry is focused on securing a reply to the complainant's request and on receiving a list of documents as described above. However, should the delay persist, we might need to ask the Commission to share a copy of the relevant documents with



us.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the responsible inquiries officer, Mr Koen Roovers.

Attached to this letter, please find a copy of the complaint.

Yours sincerely,

Rosita Hickey Director of Inquiries

Strasbourg, 16/12/2022