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To:	Mr Uwe CORSEPIUS, Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union

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of
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to the

proposal for a Council decision

**on the position to be adopted, on behalf of the European Union, in the EEA Joint
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testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement
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DECISION OF THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE No .../2015

of

amending Annex II (Technical regulations, standards, testing and certification) to the EEA Agreement

THE EEA JOINT COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Agreement on the European Economic Area (“the EEA Agreement”),
and in particular Article 98 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Directive 2013/56/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 November 2013 amending Directive 2006/66/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on batteries and accumulators and waste batteries and accumulators as regards the placing on the market of portable batteries and accumulators containing cadmium intended for use in cordless power tools, and of button cells with low mercury content, and repealing Commission Decision 2009/603/EC¹ is to be incorporated into the EEA Agreement.
- (2) Directive 2013/56/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council repeals Commission Decision 2009/603/EC², which is incorporated into the EEA Agreement and which is consequently repealed under the EEA Agreement.
- (3) Annex II to the EEA Agreement should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Chapter XV of Annex II to the EEA Agreement shall be amended as follows:

1. The following is added in point 12x (Directive 2006/66/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council):

‘- **32013 L 0056:** Directive 2013/56/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 November 2013 (OJ L 329, 10.12.2013, p. 5).

The provisions of the Directive shall, for the purposes of this Agreement, be read with the following adaptation:

Article 17 shall not apply to Liechtenstein.’

¹ OJ L 329, 10.12.2013, p. 5.

² OJ L 206, 8.8.2009, p. 13.

2. The text of point 12zt (Commission Decision 2009/603/EC) shall be deleted.

Article 2

The texts of Directive 2013/56/EU in the Icelandic and Norwegian languages, to be published in the EEA Supplement to the *Official Journal of the European Union*, shall be authentic.

Article 3

This Decision shall enter into force on [...], provided that all the notifications under Article 103(1) of the EEA Agreement have been made*.

Article 4

This Decision shall be published in the EEA Section of, and in the EEA Supplement to, the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, [...].

*For the EEA Joint Committee
The President*

*The Secretaries
to the EEA Joint Committee*

* [No constitutional requirements indicated.] [Constitutional requirements indicated.]