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Dear Ms Salerno,

As you may be aware we are following closely the developments around the Plomin C coal thermal power plant in Croatia, a project which we believe brings high risks for investors as well as a high cost for the Croatian public in both monetary and health terms.

Last November we contacted your colleagues in Edison to inform the company that Zelena akcija/Friends of the Earth together with Zelena Istra and several inhabitants of the Labin area had submitted a court complaint challenging the environmental permit for the project.

We would now like to update you as the first hearing in the case took place on 19 June. Our complaint was recognised as a serious challenge to the project and HEP's request to conclude the process immediately was rejected. The next hearing will take place on 11 October 2013.

We believe that the project presents a high risk for potential investors, as well as a high cost for the Croatian public in both monetary and health terms. This latter point was confirmed this spring in a study by Greenpeace using European Environmental Agency methodology which estimated total external costs of Plomin C at EUR 124.8 million annually.

RWE, which was originally cited by the Croatian government as the most likely strategic investor in Plomin C, has already indicated that it is not interested, and we believe other potential investors would be wise to follow RWE's example.

In fact, Croatian media have recently been quoting an unnamed source close to HEP as saying that Edison and KOSEP are no longer interested in the project. If this is true we would be grateful if you can confirm this so that we no longer need to contact you on the subject.

We believe that Edison would be well advised to choose other – sustainable renewable - technologies in which to invest in Croatia.

Thank you in advance for your response,

Yours sincerely,

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