

To: Members of the European Parliament's Committee on the Environment, Climate and Food Safety (ENVI)

Subject: Urgent call to ensure no further weakening of the EU Batteries Regulation Due Diligence Rules as part of the Omnibus IV proposal

2nd July 2025, Brussels

Dear Members of the European Parliament's Committee on the Environment, Climate and Food Safety (ENVI),

On behalf of global civil society organisations, labour organisations, investors and business, we urge you to prevent any further weakening of the due diligence requirements of the EU Batteries Regulation, beyond the proposed amending regulation 2025/0129. Ahead of the committee vote in ENVI, we call on you to uphold the due diligence provisions, by not going beyond the European Commission's proposal and avoiding any amendments that would further weaken the requirements.

As the world continues to shift to renewable energy systems and electric vehicles, both of which are key to achieving climate neutrality by 2050, ensuring sustainable and responsible battery supply chains is vital. The EU Batteries Regulation due diligence rules, if implemented correctly, will be key to achieving that. Whilst we recognise the need for a limited delay due to challenges facing notified bodies, we are deeply concerned by any attempt to further weaken the rules themselves. Europe's battery value chain, key to economic, national, and climate security, is being set up now, and businesses need certainty as they continue their preparations for the timely and robust implementation of the rules. The European Commission must therefore accelerate implementation as much as possible, ensuring advanced publication of the guidelines to support ongoing implementation.

T&E's [analysis](#) of carmakers' implementation of the EU Batteries Regulation due diligence rules to date shows that progress has been made on supply chain transparency, with some European automakers leading the way. Those businesses already preparing will be left at an economic disadvantage if the rules don't go ahead as planned. Therefore, attempts to weaken the rules will not only risk securing sustainable supply chains critical for the net zero transition, but they will also risk jeopardising the crucial opportunity to give a competitive advantage to a strategic European industry.

Ahead of the vote in the European Parliament's Committee on the Environment, Climate and Food Safety (ENVI), we call on you to:

- **Ensure no further weakening of the due diligence rules, without any amendments to remove or weaken the provisions.** This will allow time to get the guidelines for implementation right, ensuring much needed progress and greater clarity, as well as

guidance on alignment between the EU Batteries Regulation and the EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD).

We would be very keen to meet with your teams to discuss in further detail and we remain at your disposal for any further information.

Sincerely,

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