## **EUROPEAN COMMISSION**



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## THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Decision 2006/500 of 29 May 2006 on the conclusion by the European Community of the Energy Community Treaty<sup>1</sup>,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the Energy Community, and in particular Articles 73, 74 and 88 thereof.

Having regard to Articles 24 and 25 of the Energy Community Procedures for the Establishment and Implementation of Budget, Auditing and Inspection (Procedural Act No 2006/03/MA-EnC),

#### Whereas:

- (1) The European Union is a party to the Energy Community.
- (2) Articles 74 and 88 of the Energy Community Treaty provide that the Ministerial Council of the Energy Community shall adopt the bi-annual budget of the Energy Community by Procedural Act on a proposal from the European Commission.
- (3) Under Article 25 of the Energy Community Procedures for the Establishment and Implementation of Budget, Auditing and Inspection, the Commission shall propose the number of staff that it considers that the Energy Community needs to carry out its tasks under the Energy Community Treaty.
- (4) For the next budgetary period 2012-2013, the European Commission shall present a proposal to the Ministerial Council of the Energy Community;
- (5) The contributions of the Parties to the budget of the Energy Community are set at Annex IV of the Treaty establishing it. This Annex shall be modified to reflect the contributions of the Parties as from January 2012, to reflect the enlargement of the Energy Community to Moldova and Ukraine. The amendment of Annex IV shall be approved by the Ministerial Council of the Energy Community.
- (6) The position of the European Union, as a Party to the Energy Community, concerning the adoption of the budget for 2012-2013 will be established in a second phase on the

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basis of a Council Decision; the present budget proposal is thus without prejudice to the position of the European Union at the meeting of the Ministerial Council at which the budget will be adopted.

### HAS DECIDED AS FOLLOWS:

## Article 1 Proposed budget for 2012

For year 2012, the European Commission proposes to the Ministerial Council of the Energy Community to fix the budget of the Energy Community in €3,230,000, subject to the adoption of the Budget of the European Union for 2012.

For the same period, the Commission considers that, in order for the Energy Community to be able to perform its tasks, a total staff of 22 members will be necessary.

# Article 2 Proposed budget for 2013

For year 2013, the European Commission proposes to the Ministerial Council of the Energy Community to fix the budget of the Energy Community in €3,342,200, subject to the adoption of the Budget of the European Union for 2013.

For the same period, the Commission considers that, in order for the Energy Community to be able to perform its tasks, a total staff of 23 members will be necessary.

Done at Brussels, 20.6.2011

For the Commission Günther OETTINGER Member of the Commission

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For the Secretary - General

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