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Dear Madam/ Sir,

Bioenergy has strategic importance for the transition to the zero-carbon economy as perceived by the European Green Deal. The use of good practices in biomass supply can offer opportunities within the agricultural and forestry sectors to deliver more biomass, than is produced and used today while fulfilling the need to manage land-based ecosystems sustainably and to foster employment and profit generation in rural areas.

The Working Group 1 on Biomass Supply of ETIP Bioenergy is launching a survey on good practices in agriculture and forest related research with relevance to the future development of the sustainable biomass supply for the bioenergy sector.

The aim of the survey is to understand which good practices have been applied so far in EU funded national and industrial research initiatives, what are their main results for broadening sustainable biomass supply for bioenergy and what are the major research gaps identified during the course of the work.

The results of the survey will be compiled in a review paper, which will provide an overview of current good practices in research for biomass supply, analyse the gaps and provide recommendations for future research priorities that can pave the way to a zero-carbon European economy by 2050. Your work and contributions will be clearly referenced.

Looking forward to your input.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

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