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**Western Sahara**

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Dear Ms. Eyckmans,

Thank you for your letter dated 18 February 2021.

In your letter you are raising questions on a press release of Siemens Gamesa Renewable Energy, S.A. ("SGRE"), of 2 September 2020 and on statements that were made in Siemens Energy's Annual Shareholders' Meeting on 10 February 2021 in response to shareholder questions relating to SGRE's business in Western Sahara.

We are aware of the sensitivity of doing business in Western Sahara. At the same time, we consider it appropriate that SGRE directly communicates with you and provides you with more detailed information on the subject matter as these business activities in Western Sahara are within the scope and due responsibility of SGRE.

Although Siemens Energy holds a majority stake in SGRE, Siemens Energy and SGRE are to separate stock-listed companies with their own distinct areas of business activities and their own public communication on such activities.

As you may know, Western Sahara was also subject of shareholder questions at SGRE's Annual Shareholders' Meeting on 17 March 2021. Further, similar queries as raised in your letter to us have been directed to SGRE's management. Against this background, we have aligned with SGRE that they will take the opportunity to respond to your letter.

Please be assured that both Siemens Energy and SGRE, as signatories to the UN Global Compact, remain fully committed to respecting international human rights, and that we are closely monitoring progress and developments in the region and worldwide.

Kind regards,

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