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## AVERE WG Batteries: follow-up and agreed actions

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Dear members of WG Batteries,

Thanks for today's call. Please find below a brief overview of agreed actions/outcomes. Don't hesitate to reach out, should you have any additional comments or questions, and enjoy your holidays!

Best,

Thomas

### 1. Battery trilogues letter - next steps

AVERE will send the letter to PermReps in late August, with the aim of securing meetings in September ahead of the next trilogue round in October. Members are free to use the letter (attached) in the meantime if they engage in relevant conversations with policymakers.

### 2. AVERE paper on raw materials supply

The AVERE secretariat will start drafting a paper on raw materials for batteries and EVs more broadly. External partners may be contacted to supply relevant data.

Key messages will include the temporary nature of the current supply issues, as well as the scope for building a supply chain that is much more sustainable in the future, especially if compared to fossil fuels.

In drafting, we will keep in mind the aspects raised by you today, i.e. the importance of building domestic mining and processing capacity, as well as the potential of the transatlantic partnership.

An event may be held in the latter half of the year based on the outcomes.

### 3. Calls over the summer

The call on 26th July is cancelled. AVERE will keep members updated of any relevant developments via mail, if necessary.

On Tue, 5 Jul 2022 at 09:08, Thomas Neumann <thomas@avere.org> wrote:

Dear members of WG Batteries,

I hope you are well. I am writing to send you a brief agenda for this afternoon's call. We would like to discuss with you:

## 1. Battery trilogues letter - next steps

Our final letter for the battery trilogues is approved (see attached). We'd like to discuss with you how and when to use it. In the last round of trilogues on 30 June, discussions focussed mainly on definitions and restrictions of chemical substances. Our core issues - removability/replaceability and recycled content, for example - may be discussed after the summer. It may thus make sense to send our letter towards the end of the summer break, so it does not get lost/forgotten over people's holidays.

## 2. Potential new AVERE paper on raw materials supply

Over the summer, AVERE may start working on raw materials for batteries and EVs more broadly (also with the fact in mind that the EU may bring forward a legislative proposal on the issue next year), notably with the following 2 core hypotheses:

- a) The current bottlenecks are a temporary phenomenon and will be solved in time to meet the EU's climate/car CO2 targets
- b) Raw materials supply for EVs is already more sustainable than the oil/gas supply chain powering ICEs, and can/will become significantly more sustainable going forward

We'd like to briefly discuss with you your views and if you would like/be able to support the work in any way.

## 3. Calls over the summer

Lastly, we would like to discuss whether there is any need to maintain the call on 26th July - otherwise, we would propose to cancel the call to allow everyone a more relaxed holiday period :)

Looking forward to talking to you later!

Best,

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