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Dear Mr Avanzata, Ms Boni, Mr Lochman, Ms Marian, Ms Vancluysen,

On behalf of President Ursula von der Leyen, I would like to thank you for your letter of 25 March. The health emergency we are facing as a result of the Coronavirus outbreak is an unprecedented challenge to our society. It continues to have a heavy impact on our economy, notably on transport, a sector that has been affected seriously since the early stages of the crisis.

The basic continuity and survival of the public transport and local mobility services is at the core to ensure that essential workers and professionals can continue their important jobs in a safe environment, and we do our utmost to encourage the best practices you also mention in your letter.

I would like to underline that passenger transport services also have the possibility of benefitting from financial support under the revised State Aid rules.

The European Commission is fully committed to overcoming the current situation by mitigating all concerns as much as possible. I remain committed to working together on additional measures to overcome the impact that the Coronavirus crisis is having on our transport system and mobility.

Yours faithfully,



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