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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 of 19 November 2021 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe and repealing Regulations (EC) No 219/2007, (EU) No 557/2014, (EU) No 558/2014, (EU) No 559/2014, (EU) No 560/2014, (EU) No 561/2014 and (EU) No 642/2014¹, and in particular Article 96 and Article 97 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Article 96 of Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085, the Commission is to approve the composition of the System Pillar steering group of the Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking ("EU-Rail"). The Commission invited on 22 April 2022 relevant industry players, standardisation bodies, the European Union Agency for Railways, the European Rail Research Advisory Council, as well as relevant organisations including members of the network of representative bodies established on the basis of Article 38(4) of Regulation (EU) 2016/796², to participate in the System Pillar steering group of EU-Rail and nominate a principal representative and an alternate. All invited entities confirmed their participation and nominated both a principal representative and an alternate.
- (2) Pursuant to Article 97 of the Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085, the Commission is to approve the composition of the Deployment Group of the EU Rail. EU-Rail is to assist the Commission in the selection process for establishing the Deployment Group of EU-Rail and to propose candidates to become members and who have been preselected according to specific criteria ensuring compliance with Article 97 of the Council Regulation (EU) 2021/2085.
- (3) On 15 March 2024 the Executive Director of EU-Rail submitted to the Commission the EU-Rail proposal on pre-selected candidates for the Deployment Group of EU-Rail.
- (4) On 10 July 2024 the Executive Director of EU-Rail submitted to the Commission the updated EU-Rail proposal on pre-selected candidates for the Deployment Group of EU-Rail,

¹ OJ L 427, 30.11.2021, p. 17, ELI: <u>http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2021/2085/oj</u>.

² Regulation (EU) 2016/796 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 May 2016 on the European Union Agency for Railways and repealing Regulation (EC) No 881/2004 (OJ L 138, 26.5.2016, p. 1, ELI: <u>http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2016/796/oj</u>)

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The System Pillar steering group of EU-Rail shall be composed of the representatives of the following organisations, bodies and companies included in Annex I.

Article 2

The Deployment Group of EU-Rail shall be composed of the persons listed in Annex II. The Deployment Group shall be co-chaired by the Commission and EU-Rail.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Europe's Rail Joint Undertaking. Done at Brussels, 29.11.2024

> For the Commission Wopke HOEKSTRA Member of the Commission

> > CERTIFIED COPY For the Secretary-General

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