Comments from Norway on the *SREP Programming Modalities and Operational Guidelines* and *the SREP Financing Modalities*

Dear Patricia

We would like to thank Oliver for constructive text suggestions. They are acceptable to us, with two minor adjustments:

I have copied Oliver’s suggestions below, with our amendment in yellow:

*However, a possible compromise might be to add to Para.4 (a) as follows: "...renewable energy investments tend to have higher initial capital costs, as well as costs related to additional storage or reserve capacity." In relation to their proposal on Para.53, we propose the following modification to the sentence in question: "...that have the potential of being replicated in the future without, or with a possibly reduced level of, public support".*

*We also endorse Oliver’s suggestion to add a note to Para 21 of the programming modalities paper that calls for a review of the proposed criteria once at least three investment plans have been submitted (Or this could be after a set time period, say 18 months).*

Both alternatives are acceptable to us, and we suggest that the CIF adm unit selects the formulation you find most appropriate.

Thanks and regards,

Bente Weisser