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Dear Mr.Egerer,

In addition to the Permanent Mission's letter of 6 December 2013, I would like to convey to you the comments and proposals of the Ministry of Infrastructure of Ukraine to the Draft Protocol on Sustainable Transport to the Carpathian Convention.

Given the fact that there is no distinction between primary and secondary rail networks in Ukraine, the Ministry proposes the following wording of *subitem (f) of paragraph 3 of Article 10 "Rail transport"*: "*conserving and improving the low-density lines of the railway networks*".

Also, the wording of paragraph 2 of Article 13 is proposed as follows: "*The parties being aware of the potential negative impacts caused by non-motorized transportation such as disturbance of fauna and flora in sensitive areas, shall seek to avoid, minimize and, where necessary, offset these impacts*". In case of objections, the Ministry considers it necessary to specify what potential negative impact may be caused by non-motorized transportation in terms of safety.

Please accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'V. Pokotylo'.

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