Monday, 16 March 2015

SEMINAR ON RESTRUCTURING

Śląski Urząd Wojewódzki (Silesian Voivodeship Office)
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08.30 Welcome by Mr. Piotr Litwa, Governor of Silesia and by EURACOAL President, Dr. Zygmunt Łukaszczyk, President, Katowicki Holding Węglowy SA

08.45 Presentation of Polish coal industry restructuring plans by Mr. Wojciech Kowalczyk, Government Plenipotentiary for Restructuring Coal Sector, Ministry of Economy and Mr. Rafał Baniak, Under Secretary of State, Ministry of Treasury, followed by presentation of current situation and plans for the future by a representative of the Polish coal mining industry

Discussion and responses by EURACOAL members including a presentation on coal industry restructuring experience in Germany by EURACOAL Vice-President, Prof. Franz-Josef Wodopia, Chief Executive, GVSt – German Coal Association and remarks on the situation in the Czech Republic by EURACOAL Vice-President, Ing. Vladimír Budinský, Board Member for Strategy & Communications, Severoceske doly a.s.

10.30 coffee break

11.00 Coal industry privatisation in the UK and current responsibilities of the UK Coal Authority (Mr. Philip Lawrence, Executive Director, Coal Authority)

11.20 Coal industry restructuring in Ukraine and planning for the future (DTEK representative)

11.40 Support for the Spanish coal industry under EU law (Ms. Mercedes Martín González, Director General, Carbunion – Federación Nacional de Empresarios de Minas de Carbón or National Federation of Coal Mining Companies)

12.00 Planning for the 11th EC-EURACOAL Coal Dialogue on the competitiveness of EU coal during periods of low international coal prices, with a focus on coal industry restructuring and involving trade unionists from Germany, Poland, Romania, Spain and UK

12.15 Any other business

12.30 Press Conference