



AUGHINISH ALUMINA LIMITED
(Registered in Ireland No.59982)

Limerick, 16 January 2019

The Honorable Charles E. Schumer
Minority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Leader Schumer,

As Managing Director of Aughinish Alumina Limited and on behalf of the employees, I support fully the US Treasury Department's submission to Congress on the proposed delisting of RUSAL and EN+ and the security it will provide hundreds of workers in Ireland.

The Aughinish Alumina plant, as the largest company in the region, is critical to the functioning of the local economy in Limerick. Many residents, including 460 direct employees, 200 indirect contractors and hundreds of additional staff, depend on the plant for employment, and their jobs would be at a huge risk in the event the sanctions on the two companies remain in place. We were hit particularly hard ten years ago when the recession resulted in the curtailment of operations on site with adverse impacts on the local community.

Beyond Ireland, our contract with Liberty Aluminium at Lochaber in Scotland secures our position as a significant supplier of low-cost alumina and Liberty's role as the UK's only aluminium producer. Our manufacturing output is central to providing the British Isles with the raw material of the required quality and maintaining Liberty's commercial competitiveness. Potential raw material cost increases will ultimately result in adverse impacts on key customer industries, which are reliant on alumina in the manufacturing of lightweight vehicles and aircraft.

The issuance of short-term licences, as well as their extensions, has allowed the plant to continue its operations over the last few months. The proposed delisting of Rusal and EN+ from the sanctions list will help alleviate the challenges we currently face in day-to-day operations, maintain our relationship with customers across Europe and, crucially, safeguard hundreds of skilled jobs which are critical to the economic success of Limerick and are important to the wider economy of Ireland.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Seán Garland".

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