Amendment 8 Sven Giegold on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Calls on the Commission to adopt a 8. *more favourable approach for* strong *EU* industrial policy to ensure and maintain high competitiveness in global markets; stresses that the Commission and the Member States should promote and support EU projects of strategic interest and remove barriers and obstacles to enable the emergence of innovative EU leaders in specific priority sectors for the EU, while respecting the independent application of competition rules that safeguard a level playing field; clarifies that this approach should not be to the detriment of SMEs and consumers interests, should focus on the transition towards a more sustainable economy and a competitive EU data industry and digital infrastructure, such as the development of 5G;

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Amendment

Stresses that functioning 8. competition in the internal market helps businesses to be competitive at a global level; calls on the Commission to adopt a strong *European* industrial policy and maintain high competitiveness in global markets, while rigorously applying strong competition rules, particularly in the digital sphere; emphasises that EU competition rules must take account of developments beyond our borders, which can have a negative impact on competition in the EU; highlights that in order to become more effective and foster innovation, EU competition rules should provide a well-defined framework that facilitates the creation of European projects; clarifies that this approach should not be to the detriment of SMEs and consumers' interests, should focus on the transition towards a more sustainable economy and a competitive European data industry and digital infrastructure, such as the development of 5G;

Or. en

Amendment 9 Sven Giegold on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 46 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

46a. Welcomes the Commission communication on the European Green Deal and the objectives set out therein to support a cost-effective transition to climate neutrality by 2050 and to phase out fossil fuels; supports the commitment to revise EU State aid guidelines by 2021 in order to reflect these objectives;

Or. en

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Amendment 10 Sven Giegold on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 47 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

47a. Calls on the Commission, as part of the upcoming revision of the Guidelines on State aid for environmental protection and energy, to subject aid granted to nuclear energy and fossil fuel energies to strict necessity tests;

Or. en

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Amendment 11 Sven Giegold on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 47 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

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Amendment

47b. Calls on the Commission, as part of the upcoming revision of the Guidelines on State aid for environmental protection and energy, to provide for greater flexibility for aid granted to citizen-generated renewable energy, in line with the EU's climate commitments;

Or. en

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Amendment 12 Sven Giegold on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 47 c (new)

Motion for a resolution

47c. Calls on the Commission to exclude aid granted to airports and ports from the scope of the General Block Exemptions Regulation (GBER);

Amendment

Or. en

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Amendment 13 Sven Giegold on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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Motion for a resolution Paragraph 82

Motion for a resolution

82. Reiterates its call for coal regions to be identified as assisted areas in accordance with Article 107(3)(a) and (c) of the TFEU and for EU aid rules for these special regions to be adapted so as to enable measures to be taken to deal with structural *change*; *insists that coal mining* companies and coal power plant operators that have received and still receive public support for mining and burning coal must not be subject to a privileged State-aid treatment, including for traditional corporate responsibility activities such as ground water restoration, landscape refurbishment or other cleaning-up sites related activities; calls on the Commission to provide clear guidance and conditionality in line with EU climate commitments;

Amendment

82. Reiterates its call for coal regions to be identified as assisted areas *so that* EU aid rules *can* be adapted to *allow the adoption of* measures *dealing with the necessary* structural *changes, pending clear commitments from the companies operating in these regions to take concrete action towards carbon neutrality and EU climate objectives; recalls that those activities traditionally part of corporate social responsibility should* not be subject to a privileged State-aid treatment;

Or. en

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