

Geachte heer [REDACTED],

Nogmaals dank voor uw reactie.

We hebben ook een uitnodiging voor een gesprek naar Staatssecretaris van Rijn gestuurd – omdat we graag van gedachten zouden wisselen over genoemde punten – inclusief het wetsvoorstel tot wijziging van de Tabaks- en rookwarenwet (oa ter regeling van de e-sigaretten) dat inmiddels naar de Tweede Kamer is gestuurd.

Met vriendelijke groet,

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From: [REDACTED] [[mailto:\[REDACTED\]@minvws.nl](mailto:[REDACTED]@minvws.nl)]

Sent: 12 May 2016 09:36

To: [REDACTED] [REDACTED]@aspectconsulting.eu>

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[REDACTED] <[REDACTED]@aspectconsulting.eu>

Subject: RE: Contact - e-cigarettes and smoking

Geachte heer [REDACTED],

Dank voor de informatie. We zien echter op basis van de door u aan ons gestuurde gesprekpunten geen aanleiding voor een nader overleg. Uw punten zijn ons duidelijk en ons al meerdere keren kenbaar gemaakt. Daar waar technische inzichten, zoals ook kennis over gateway effecten, aan de orde zijn beroepen wij ons op het RIVM.

De beleidsmatige standpunten en belangen zijn ons helder. We zullen op basis daarvan onze standpunten t.a.v. TPD en COP bepalen.

Met vriendelijke groet,

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Van: [REDACTED] [[mailto:\[REDACTED\]@aspectconsulting.eu](mailto:[REDACTED]@aspectconsulting.eu)]

Verzonden: maandag 9 mei 2016 15:39

Aan: [REDACTED]

CC: [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]; [REDACTED]

Onderwerp: FW: Contact - e-cigarettes and smoking

Dear [REDACTED],

As discussed today and following the email exchange between you and my colleague [REDACTED] (see below) - I hereby provide you with more information regarding our meeting (possibly taking place in the week of 23-27 May or 30 May – 3 June).

As a world leading producer of electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS), Fontem Ventures is presently engaging with several Dutch stakeholders in The Hague, including Members of the Tweede Kamer, to discuss the developments regarding the WHO FCTC and the implementation of the Tobacco Products Directive.

Our meeting would focus on the following key points – regarding each of which we would like to share our views and we have several questions:

1. WHO FCTC (and the role the Netherlands will play with regards to the development of an EU position) – see position paper attached:
 - Overall WHO position
 - Electronic vaping products (EVPs) and their role in tobacco harm reduction
 - Positions of international health experts / implicit health claims of medically licensed EVPs
 - Focus on quality and safety standards vs prohibition
 - Why EVPs are not acting as a gateway to tobacco
 - Innovation and acceptability of EVPs
2. Implementation of the Tobacco Products Directive:
 - Distinguishing between vaping products and conventional tobacco
 - Restricting access to under-18s
 - Vaping in public places
 - The facts about ‘gateway’ and ‘renormalisation’

We are looking forward to meeting with you.

In the meantime, please let me know if you have any questions.

Best regards,

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From: [Redacted]
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Subject: Re: Contact - e-cigarettes and smoking

Dear [Redacted],

Thank you for your email. I will certainly get in contact with them. However, if I am not mistaken you deal with international and European regulation on tobacco and e-cigarettes, notably the FTC and EU TPD? It was in this capacity that we wanted to meet you and/or your colleagues.

Best,

[Redacted]

Sent from my iPhone

On 04 May 2016, at 14:50, [Redacted] <[Redacted]@minvws.nl> wrote:

Dear [Redacted],

Thank you for your email.
Knowledge on e cigarettes and new developments are interesting.
However, in this we work together with our National Institute for Public Health, RIVM.
They are the experts and our advisors.
So I can imagine you contact them and discuss your approach.

With best regards,

[Redacted]

Van: [Redacted] [[mailto:\[Redacted\]@aspectconsulting.eu](mailto:[Redacted]@aspectconsulting.eu)]
Verzonden: vrijdag 29 april 2016 15:31

Aan: [REDACTED]
Onderwerp: FW: Contact - e-cigarettes and smoking

Dear Mr. [REDACTED],

Following the email exchange below, would you be available for a meeting with Fontem Ventures on e-cigarettes, science and health some time in the next few weeks?

Thank you very much: have a lovely weekend.

Best,

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Subject: RE: Contact - e-cigarettes and smoking

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you very much for your mail on e-cigarettes and your approach. I will forward your request for a meeting to colleagues from the Ministry in Hague as they are involved in policy setting as well as with the implementation of the new TPD.

As regards the preparation of the upcoming FCTC COP7 – this will be part of the incoming Slovak Presidency's work and as such already taken up in its calendar.

Kindly,

[REDACTED]

From: [REDACTED] [mailto:[REDACTED]@aspectconsulting.eu]

Sent: woensdag 27 april 2016 10:31

To: BRE-VWS

Subject: Contact - e-cigarettes and smoking

Dear [REDACTED],

Thanks for talking to me just now. As I mentioned, I work with Fontem Ventures, world leading producer of electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS), also known as e-cigarettes. Fontem Ventures is based in Amsterdam and produces leading brand *blu*.

Fontem is a champion of research in the field of vaping, working with public and private sector research bodies to expand understanding of the health impact of using e-cigarettes compared to traditional tobacco. Our most recent paper, written with cooperation of the Kaunas University of Technology in Lithuania, EMPA Swiss Federal Laboratories for Materials Science and Technology, and ETH Zurich the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, looks at the impact of vaping on air quality: http://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2016-04/ac-nsf041916.php.

We would like to come and meet either Ms. [REDACTED] in Brussels or someone at the health ministry in The Hague – depending on availabilities – and discuss our approach to health and environmental research into e-cigarettes, and get a sense of how we can work better to produce the kind of science you need as regulators to better understand the health impact of vaping. This is particularly important, we find, as the TPD transposition process comes to a close across Europe and in view of the **upcoming FCTC COP7** in which the Dutch government is playing a leading role in setting a common European position.

Do let me know when your colleague(s) might be able to meet me as well as Fontem's Vice President for scientific, regulatory and corporate affairs in either Brussels or The Hague.

Best,

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