

To the NSC Executive Committee

October 12th, 2005

Re: support for NSC Environment Group Conference 2006

The NSC Environment Group intends to hold a Conference in connection with its Annual Meeting 2006. This follows a tradition since 1997, where a series of successful conferences has provided inspiration and knowledge to North Sea politicians and officials. Attendance has varied between 50 and 120 persons/organisations, depending on topic and location for the Conferences.

Most lately, the Conference 2004, which was organised jointly with the NSC Economic Development Group in Arendal, Aust.Agder, Norway, was attended by some 50 persons/organisations. These NSCEG Conferences have been highly appreciated and have contributed with ideas and initiatives for both Interreg projects and NSC political activities.

The Conference 2006 will be a major event, hosted by the Provincie Fryslân on April 5-6. It will be organised in conjunction with the CPMR working group on renewable energy and the ERE Energizing Regional Economies project (if approved by the Interreg IIIB Steering Committee in February/March 2006). The expected number of participants will be 200 - 300. Co-operation with other NSC Thematic Groups will be sought, in particular with the EDG sub-group on renewable energy.

Any Executive Committee meeting or other activities in connection with this Conference would be warmly welcomed!

For the arrangement of Conference 2006, the NSCEG would like to ask for support from the Executive Committee in the order of 50 000 Norwegian Kroner.

Contributions are expected also from the CPMR, the Provincie Friesland, participant fees and the ERE project (if approved).

Yours sincerely,

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