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THE EU COMMISSION TAKES A MAJOR STEP TOWARDS BETTER BUILDINGS

Eurima welcomes the proposed recast of the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive as a significant step towards realising the climate and energy security potential from buildings. It is definitely the right set of measures at the right moment to stimulate the economy, boost job creation in the European construction industry and reduce energy bills for governments and citizens.

“This proposal has the potential to change buildings from energy wasters to climate savers”, said Jan te Bos, Director-General of Eurima. He continued: *“We call upon the Council and the European Parliament to show the same political courage as the Commission has shown in presenting this proposal”.*

Given the urgency of action Eurima encourages the European Parliament to initiate the first reading within this term.

In view of the demonstrated cost-effectiveness of insulation, Eurima looks forward to working together with Council and Parliament to ensure that the contribution of the building envelope is optimised.