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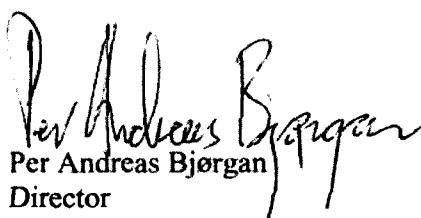
Ministry of Government Administration and Reform
Akersgata 59
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Dear Sirs,

Subject: Differentiated rates for social security contributions
– *Communication of the merger of the municipalities Mosvik and Inderøy*

The EFTA Surveillance Authority (the Authority) refers to the letter from the Norwegian authorities dated 2 July 2010 in the above mentioned matter (Event No 562842). In this letter, the Norwegian authorities inform the Authority of the merger of the municipalities of Mosvik and Inderøy into one with effect from 1 January 2012. The Norwegian authorities propose to continue with the different social security rates applicable in these two municipalities before the merger as approved by the Authority with Decision No 228/06/COL. This implies that until the end of 2013 employers located in the geographic region presently defined as the municipality of Mosvik will apply 10.6% rate and those located in the present geographic area of Inderøy will apply 14.1 % rate. The Authority agrees with this approach.

Yours faithfully,


Per Andreas Bjørgan
Director
Competition and State Aid Directorate