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Subject: Your letter of 5 January 2026 calling for urgent action on the delayed Novel Food Application for *Acheta domesticus* powder by Società Agricola Italian Cricket Farm S.r.l.

Dear Ms Casillas,

Thank you for your above-mentioned letter (registered under our reference Ares(2026)41775)) addressed to Commissioner Várhelyi, who asked me to reply on his behalf. Please accept my apologies for the delayed response.

Please be informed that the procedure within the Commission for the preparation of the related implementing act is ongoing and not yet finalised. Once this process is completed, the required draft implementing act will be presented to the Member States representatives in the Standing Committee for Plants, Animals, Food and Feed prior to formal adoption by the Commission.

Yours sincerely,

Claire BURY