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Chair,
Implementation Committee,
Convention on Environmental
Impact Assessment in a
Transboundary Context

Dear Ms. Kolar-Planinšič,

I would like to thank you for the letter of August 15, 2013 and to inform the Implementation Committee on the measures taken by Belarus for implementation of the Committee's recommendations related to participation of the Lithuanian public in the transboundary EIA procedure for the planned NPP in Belarus.

Taking into account the draft recommendations of the Implementation Committee, in November-December 2012 the Belarusian Side sent to the Lithuanian Side materials on justification of site selection for the construction of the NPP and on expected transboundary radiological impact of the NPP. By the letter of June 11, 2013 (see Attachment 1) the final EIA report translated into Lithuanian was sent to the Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania with a request to distribute it, *inter alia*, among the Lithuanian public. The final EIA report in English was sent to the Lithuanian Side as early as in February 2011. However, contrary to the provisions of the Espoo Convention, recommendations of the Implementation Committee and relevant provisions of the Guidance on the practical application of the Espoo Convention (ECE/MP.EIA/8) and despite our requests, the Lithuanian Side has not disseminated the final EIA report among the Lithuanian public.

Taking this into account and following the Committee's recommendations, the Belarusian Side posted the final EIA report in Lithuanian in the Internet. An announcement for the Lithuanian public (see Attachment 2) about possibilities for reviewing the final EIA report and for making comments on it in accordance with Article 4, paragraph 2 and Article 3, paragraph 8 within the period from July 17 till August 17, 2013, and about the hearings in Ostrovets on August 17, 2013 was disseminated through the Lithuanian mass media and posted on the web-site of the Embassy of the Republic of Belarus in Vilnius.

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