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Dear Ms. Daugirdaitė,

Re: Decision III/6d of the Meeting of the Parties to the Aarhus Convention concerning compliance by Lithuania with its obligations under the Convention

At its twenty-third meeting (31 March-3 April 2009), the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee took note of a letter from the Minister of the Environment of Lithuania, dated 5 March 2009, concerning the delayed submission and re-opening to public consultation of Lithuania's action plan for the implementation of the recommendations of decision III/6d of the Meeting of the Parties.

The Committee, while expressing its appreciation of the efforts of the Lithuanian Government to engage in meaningful consultation with the public over the plan, noted with regret the failure of Lithuania to submit the plan within the deadline of 31 December 2008 stipulated by the Meeting of the Parties through decision III/6d. It requested the secretariat to write to the Government of Lithuania conveying the Committee's comments and requesting more details on the expected time frame for submission of the plan.

We would be grateful if you could provide the requested information at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

Jeremy Wates

Secretary, Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters

Cc: Permanent Mission of Lithuania to the United Nations Offices in Geneva Mr. U. Salburg and Ms. R. Dulevičienė representing the Kazokiskes Community Association