

MINISTRY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM TRADE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

NATIONAL LICENSING CENTER

Research and Methodological Guidance Directorate

Protocol no. 513/1 Dated: 24 March 2016

<u>Subject matter:</u> <u>Request for review</u>

To: MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT

MR. LEFTER KOKA

MINISTER

TIRANA

Info to: "CITIZENS FOR THE PARK"

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TIRANA

Dear Mr. Minister,

Application with Protocol no. 513, dated 17 March 2016 was submitted to the National Licensing Centre (NLC) by the Citizens for the Park to get environmental information in connection with the construction of the pilot project for children playground in the Park of the Artificial Lake of Tirana. As above, we wish to inform you as follows:

Citizens for the Park have requested, among other things, through the Application with Protocol no. 513, dated 17 March 2016 to obtain copies of the application of the Tirana Municipality at the NLC for Environmental Impact Assessment and a copy of the preliminary draft EIA.

Meanwhile, Article 10 of Law no. 10440, dated 07 July 2011, "On the environmental impact assessment", as amended, (as amended by Law no. 12/2015, "On amendments to Law no. 10440, dated 07 July 2011, "On the environmental impact assessment") explicitly stipulates that "the developer of projects with environmental impact, which are subject to this law, shall present to the ministry the relevant documentation for the EIA procedure, including:".

In addition, Article 14 of the Law Nr. 12/2015, "On some amendments to Law no. 10440, dated 07 July 2011, "On the environmental impact assessment" explicitly stipulates that "This law shall enter into force 15 days after publication in the Official Journal and shall become effective by 01 September 2015".

As above, after 01 September 2015, the applications for conducting the Environmental Impact

Assessment (EIA) procedure have been submitted to the Ministry of Environment, and not to the National Centre (NLC).

Therefore, based on the legislation in force and because the current application for conducting the procedure of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) are submitted to the Ministry of Environment and not to the NLC, please see attached Application with Protocol no. 513, dated 17 March 2016 as submitted by the Citizens for the Park for further review.

Thanking you for your understanding,

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DIRECTOR GENERAL

(Signature and stamp)