

**Secretariat of the Espoo  
Convention**

**Implementation Committee of  
the Espoo Convention**

The Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the Espoo Convention and Implementation Committee of the Espoo Convention and has the honor to inform the following.

In response to your letter dated 24.12.2014 EIA/IC/INFO/10 the Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine provides the information to your questions.

The Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine avails itself of this opportunity to renew the Secretariat of the Espoo Convention and Implementation Committee of the Espoo Convention the assurances of its highest consideration.

**Minister**

**Ihor Shevchenko**

**The answers to the questions of the Implementation Committee of the Espoo Convention on project of construction of Khmelnytsky NPP.**

- a) There are no additional documents to Law of Ukraine № 5217-VI dated 06.09.2012 listed in the letter. All documents were provided to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine as substantiating materials and indicates on the Energoatom's site (<http://www.energoatom.kiev.ua/ua/actvts/stroitelstvo>). According to Article 4 of the Espoo Convention the above materials are not included in the mandatory list of documents attached to the impact assessment (EIA).
- b) According to legal acts of Ukraine designing objects carried for next steps:  
The first steps - "Feasibility Study (FS)", which is accepted by decree of Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine;  
The second step - "Project", approved by resolution of Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.  
Currently implemented the first step - "FS of construction of unit 3, 4 SE "Khmelnytsky NPP" (including materials EIA). Positive expert conclusion of state examination (including environmental) was received and accepted by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine (decree №498-p from 04.07.2012).
- c) SE "Energoatom" from 2011 conducted work related to the preparation of professional responses to inquiries related and affected countries.  
The result was drafted in "Report on measures to inform neighboring countries about the possible impact in a transboundary context construction of unit 3, 4 SE "Khmelnytsky NPP", which in 2012 published on the Company website.  
The report was submitted as part of the substantiating materials required for the adoption of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine.
- d) No it is not. The second step - the "Project" has not yet begun. In developing the "Project" materials of EIA election results at the design stage specific technical characteristics and consideration of comments will be refined.  
"Project" stage will also pass a comprehensive state examination (including environmental).  
The final decision on the construction approved by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine relevant resolution. This resolution will be given all the technical and environmental parameters of the project taking into account all reasonable comments.  
Project approval by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine will allow the Company to begin construction by the appropriate licensing and permits.
- e) For all proposals received for the entire period since 2011, including requests for expert consultations with States wishing to participate in 2013 provided professional answers and prepared Report on informing neighboring countries about the possible impact in a transboundary context.

This Report published on the Energoatom website

[http://www.energoatom.kiev.ua/ua/actvts/stroitelstvo/buildon/public/38678-zvt\\_pro\\_nformuvannya\\_sumjnih\\_derjav\\_pro\\_mojliviyyi\\_vpliv\\_v\\_transgranichnomu\\_kontekst\\_pri\\_pobudov\\_energoblokv\\_i\\_hmelnitcko\\_aes\\_na\\_vikonanny\\_a\\_vimog\\_konventc\\_espo/](http://www.energoatom.kiev.ua/ua/actvts/stroitelstvo/buildon/public/38678-zvt_pro_nformuvannya_sumjnih_derjav_pro_mojliviyyi_vpliv_v_transgranichnomu_kontekst_pri_pobudov_energoblokv_i_hmelnitcko_aes_na_vikonanny_a_vimog_konventc_espo/)

- f) The procedure 759 is not used in the feasibility study construction of unit 3, 4 SE Khmelnitsky NPP
- g) April 15, 2011 briefing for the media on the start of public consultations about the project of construction unit 3 and 4 SE Khmelnitsky NPP and on the Company website issued press release.

Other questions.

a), b) added

c) According to the decisions of local authorities and local governments of Rivne and Khmelnytsky regions from 11 to 30 May 2011 was held in towns and villages surveillance zone of Khmelnitsky NPP - 14 public hearing, which was attended by 3776 people, of whom 1328 in Rivne region and 2448 – in Khmelnitsky region.

During of consultation phase the office was opened in Kyiv and in 11 public reception in urban and rural areas in the zone of observation KhNPP.

In addition to questions, comments, suggestions and comments that got all public events (briefings, public hearings, "Round Table") and expert advice orally throughout the consultation process they also got in writing.

Routes of them were:

- All public hearings in the form of briefs participants;
- In the office and public receptions organized in towns and villages surveillance zone KhNPP working at all times of public consultations;
- Receipt to the email address of the central office;
- By post to the address Ministry of energy, SE "Energoatom", SE API, KhNPP.

To inform neighboring countries about public hearings, the Ministry of environment in 2010 directed the Parties a Notification of the proposed activity" (notification) construction of power units № 3,4 Khmelnitsky nuclear power plant".

Pursuant to the provisions of Art. 4 Espoo Convention Ministry of environment of letters from 06.04.2012 No. 7126/10/10-12 sent the EIA of the project to construction of power units № 3,4 Khmelnitsky NPP Austrian, Hungarian, Polish, Romanian, Slovak, Belarusian, Moldovan Parties.

As a result of processing the obtained material was compiled a list of questions, suggestions and comments in aggregate form and developed reasonable professional answers, as reflected in the "Book of Questions and

answers about building unit 3, 4 KhNPP", which is released in Company website and provided for all interested organizations.