



## REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

### Ministry of Environment and Water

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**Subject:** *Notification under the Protocol on SEA to the Convention on EIA in a Transboundary Context on the SEA Procedure for Implementation Program of the Energy Sector Development Strategy of the Republic of Serbia by 2025 with Projections until 2030, for the period 2017-2023*

**Dear Mr Trivan,**

*I would like to refer to your letter № 350-02-05/2017-02/24.07.2017 with notification under Article 10 of the Protocol on SEA to the Convention on EIA in a Transboundary Context on the Implementation Program of the Energy Sector Development Strategy of the Republic of Serbia by 2025 with Projections until 2030, for the period 2017-2023 and the Report on SEA.*

*On the basis of consultation of the documentation with the competent authorities and provided public access the conclusions are that the Implementation Program outlines the implementation framework of the Energy Sector Development Strategy of the Republic of Serbia by 2025 with Projections until 2030. According to the assessment in the report there are no measures for the period 2017-2023 with negative transboundary impact on human health and which may cause health risk for the population of Bulgaria. The intentions described in the report do not imply significant negative effects on biological diversity, including with regard to Nature 2000 protected zones.*

*Based on this and pursuant to Article 10.3 of the SEA Protocol, I hereby inform that there is no necessity for the Republic of Bulgaria to participate in the SEA procedure for the above mentioned Program.*

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*In addition, we would like to note that the planned alignment of all existing and newly built combustion plants should be in compliance with the European legislation in force as the thermal power plants in Serbia are among the major sources of sulfur oxides, nitrogen oxides and particulate matter in the ambient air.*

*I would like to take the opportunity to express my highest consideration and my willingness for fruitful cooperation.*

*Yours sincerely,*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Neno Dimov', written over the closing 'Yours sincerely,'.

**Neno Dimov**  
**Minister of Environment and Water**