

**NOTIFICATION TO AN AFFECTED PARTY OF A PROPOSED ACTIVITY UNDER ARTICLE 3 OF THE CONVENTION**

<b>1. INFORMATION ON THE PROPOSED ACTIVITY</b>	
<b>(i) Information on the nature of the proposed activity</b>	
Type of activity proposed	DECREE ON ESTABLISHMENT OF IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM OF THE ENERGY SECTOR DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY OF THE REPUBLIC OF SERBIA FOR THE PERIOD TO 2025 YEAR WITH PROJECTIONS TO 2030, THE YEAR OF THE PERIOD 2017 TO 2023 YEAR.
Is the proposed activity listed in Appendix I to the Convention?	Some activities are listed
Scope of proposed activity (e.g. main activity and any/all peripheral activities requiring assessment)	Projects, measures and activities have been defined for each energy sector, which need to be achieved during the planning period (2017 up to 2023) in order to fulfill the main strategic priorities of Serbian energy sector.
Scale of proposed activity (e.g. size, production capacity, etc.)	Proposed activities, measures and projects are defined for the period from 2017 up to 2023 in accordance with the Energy sector development strategy for the period up to 2025 with the projections up to 2030, and covering: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Electricity</li> <li>• Heat</li> <li>• Renewable energy sources</li> <li>• Coal</li> <li>• Natural gas</li> <li>• Oil</li> <li>• Energy efficiency</li> <li>• Environmental protection</li> </ul>
Description of proposed activity (e.g. technology used)	A series of measures and activities is planned that should provide sustainable energy sector in line with international commitments and best practice. This document includes below the following sections, or chapters: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The manner of defining strategic energy projects and necessary activities related to the decision about projects being strategic and the basic obligations of the Government of the Republic of Serbia, its ministries and the Energy Agency of the Republic of Serbia in relation to the strategic energy projects;</li> <li>2. Overview of measurable goals and indicators to be achieved through the implementation of the Program and a list of measures, activities and projects by areas within the Program to achieve the set objectives, taking into account environmental protection and energy efficiency for each of the sectors:</li> </ol>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sector of Electrical Energy;</li> <li>• Sector of Heat Energy</li> <li>• Sector of Renewable Energy Sources</li> <li>• Sector of Oil</li> <li>• Sector of Natural Gas</li> <li>• Sector of Coal</li> <li>• Sector of Energy Efficiency in Energy Consumption</li> </ul> <p>Within the Program a group of projects is separated, with main characteristics, current status and schedule for implementation of each project being shown in detail. These projects are uniquely numbered throughout the Program, they are key to the achievement of the sector targets and their realization, in addition to the realization of the proposed measures and activities, will be subject to the reporting during the implementation period of the Program.</p> <p>The prioritization of projects defines within the Chapter, which is carried out using a specific methodology for the selection and prioritization infrastructure projects approved by the Government of the Republic of Serbia.</p>
Description of purpose of proposed activity	The document is prepared in accordance with the article 5 and 6 Energy Law (“Official Journal” of the Republic of Serbia No 145/14) and adopted Energy sector development strategy of the Republic of Serbia for the period up to 2025 with the projections up to 2030. The document should provide better implementation of energy policy for the period of 6 years (2017 up to 2023).
Rationale for proposed activity (e.g. socio-economic, physical geographic basis)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• security of energy supply;</li> <li>• development of energy market;</li> <li>• sustainable development.</li> </ul>
Additional information/comments	/
<b>(ii) Information on the spatial and temporal boundaries of the proposed activity</b>	
Location+	The territory of the Republic of Serbia
Description of the location (e.g. physical-geographic, socio-economic characteristics)	/
Rationale for location of proposed activity (e.g. socio-economic, physical-geographic basis)	/
Time-frame for proposed activity (e.g. start and duration of construction and operation)	Until 2023
Maps and other pictorial documents	/

connected with the information on the proposed activity	
Additional information/comments	/
<b>(iii) Information on expected environmental impacts and proposed mitigation measures</b>	
Scope of assessment (e.g. consideration of: cumulative impacts, evaluation of alternatives, sustainable development issues, impact of peripheral activities, etc.)	/
Expected environmental impacts of proposed activity (e.g. types, locations, magnitudes)	It may be concluded that the Program constitutes the framework for the sustainable energy sector development in the Republic of Serbia and that, except inevitable consequences accompanying the use of available and currently unavoidable mineral resources, almost all fields of the Program will have a substantial influence on improving the environment in comparison to the current state and current trends in the space and environment.
Inputs (e.g. raw material, power sources, etc.)	/
Outputs (e.g. amounts and types of: emissions into the atmosphere, discharges into the water system, solid waste)	/
Transboundary impacts (e.g. types, locations, magnitudes)	<p>In this context, special attention should be paid to transboundary cooperation when implementing the Project of constructing a new block in TPP Kostolac B3, which also refers to the implementation of projects regarding the use of RES which are planned near the borders with neighboring countries, for the following reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Wind farms – possible significant adverse impacts on internationally protected flying fauna (ornithological fauna and chiropters) on the Serbian-Romanian boundary), particularly on the Serbian-Romanian boundary;</li> <li>➤ Reversible hydropower plants and small hydro-power plants planned on transboundary watercourses – possible adverse impacts on benthic organisms and ornithological fauna on boundaries with Montenegro, B&amp;H, Romania and Bulgaria.</li> <li>➤ Thermal power plant projects – possible impacts on the air quality and international rivers.</li> </ul> <p>On the other hand, a whole series of positive strategic impacts of the Program were identified</p>

Proposed mitigation measures (e.g. if known, mitigation measures to prevent, eliminate, minimize, compensate for environmental effects)	Environmental protection guidelines were established in the SEA which should be implemented to prevent and limit the negative effects of the Program on the environment in order to maintain positive effects of planning within frameworks which will not increase environmental load, and which will and minimize and/or prevent possible negative effects of the Program. A monitoring system was established as an instrument for monitoring the implementation of planned activities, the state of the environment and the status of each environmental factor separately.
Additional information/comments	/
<b>(iv) Proponent/developer</b>	
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<b>(v) EIA documentation</b>	
Is the EIA documentation (e.g. EIA report or EIS) included in the notification?	Yes
If no/partial, description of additional documentation to be forwarded and (approximate) date(s) when documentation will be available	/
Additional information/comments	/
<b>2. POINTS OF CONTACT</b>	
<b>(i) Points of contact for the possible affected Party or Parties</b>	
Authority responsible for coordinating activities relating to the EIA (refer to decision I/3, appendix) - Name, address, telephone and fax numbers	To be delivered by the diplomatic post
List of affected Parties to which notification is being sent	Republic of Hungary, Republic of Croatia; Romania, Bulgaria, Macedonia, Bosnia and Hercegovina, Albania and Montenegro
<b>(ii) Points of contact for the Party of origin</b>	

Authority responsible for coordinating activities relating to the EIA (refer to decision I/3, appendix) - Name, address, telephone and fax numbers	Miroslav Tošović, Omladinskih brigada 1 00381 11 2690977 00381 11 3132574
Decision-making authority if different than authority responsible for coordinating activities relating to the EIA - Name, address, telephone and fax numbers	Mr. Aleksandar Antic, minister  Ministry of Mining and Energy Nemanjina 22-26, 11000 Belgrade Republic of Serbia Telephone: +381 11 33 46 755 Fax: +381 11 3625 055 E-mail: kabinet@mre.gov.rs
<b>3. INFORMATION ON THE EIA PROCESS IN THE COUNTRY WHERE THE PROPOSED ACTIVITY IS LOCATED</b>	
<b>(i) Information on the EIA process that will be applied to the proposed activity</b>	
Time schedule	2017
Opportunities for the affected Party or Parties to be involved in the EIA process	July, August 2017
Opportunities for the affected Party or Parties to review and comment on the notification and the EIA documentation	July, August 2017
Nature and timing of the possible decision	August, September 2017
Process for approval of the proposed activity	August, September 2017
Additional information/comments	/
<b>4. INFORMATION ON THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS IN THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN</b>	
Public participation procedures	Public consultation on the Draft Report on SEA shall include publishing of text at website (www.mre.gov.rs) of the Ministry of Mining and Energy and its Public consultation shall also include public hearing.
Expected start and duration of public consultation	19 July 2017- 19 August 2017 Public hearing (presentation and discussion) will be held during the period planned for public consultation, on 25 July 2017 in Commercial Chamber of Serbia.
Additional information/comments	/
<b>5. DEADLINE FOR RESPONSE</b>	
Date	According to the date of receipt of notification, within 30 days.

