

Ministry of Environment of Slovak Republik

Ministry of ecology and natural resources of Ukraine presents its compliments to the Ministry of Environment of Slovak Republik and has the honour to communicate the following.

Letters from the Ministry of natural resources 06.04.2012 № 7126/10/10-12 EIA project completion of power units № 3,4 Khmelnitsky NPP was sent to the Slovakian side.

Replies to the comments of the Slovak public, together with the invitation to the consultations under article 5 of the Espoo Convention from 13 to 24 may 2013 sent a letter from 21.03.2013 № 4907/13/10-13.

On the site of SE NNEGC Energoatom are documents feasibility study completion of power units № 3,4 Khmelnitsky NPP at: http://www.energoatom.kiev.ua/ru/stroitelstvo/buildon/public/36844-teo_soorujeniya_energoblokov_haes_otcenska_vozdeyistviyi_na_okrujayuschuyu_s_redu/.

Also on the site of SE NNEGC Energoatom at http://www.energoatom.kiev.ua/ru/stroitelstvo/buildon/public/37314-kniga_voprosovotvetov_po_soorujeniyu_energoblokov_i_hmelnitckoyi_aes/, is a book of questions and answers for construction of power units № 3,4 Khmelnitsky NPP.

In addition, we provide answers to the questions posed in the letter of Slovak side.

1. **Item 1.** The answer is given in Vol.4 "Confirmation of Eligibility of the Khmelnitsky NPP site for Construction of Units №3 and №4 in Compliance with Effective Regulatory Documents", Vol. 13 "Environmental Impact Assessment", part 4 "Climate and Microclimate", of "Khmelnitsky NPP. Feasibility Study of Power Units 3, 4 Construction."
2. **Item 6.** The answer is given in Vol.9 "Main Architectural and Construction Decisions" Vol. 13 "Environmental Impact Assessment" Part 4 "Climate and Microclimate" of the Feasibility Study
3. **Item 12.** The answer is given in Feasibility Study Vol. 13 "Environmental Impact Assessment" in the part " Assessment of the Consequences of the Transboundary Transfer under Normal and Emergency Modes"
4. **Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11.** The answers will be finalized at the design stage.

5. **Decommissioning.** Ukraine has legislative and regulatory framework in effect that laid the basis for development and passing "The Concept of Decommissioning of Nuclear Power Plants in Operation", the regulatory document of the industrial level which was approved by the Ministry of Fuel and Energy of Ukraine on May 12, 2004 (Ministerial Order № 249). Decommissioning of NPP nuclear installations and facilities intended for NPP radioactive waste treatment is the objective of strategic planning of activity under this Concept. As for the new built NPPs, in case of approval of the decision for their construction, NPP decommissioning concept and related sections of the Environmental Impact Assessment report shall be developed on the design stage and be included in the initial design documentation package .

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