## МІНІСТЕРСТВО ЕКОЛОГІЇ ТА ПРИРОДНИХ РЕСУРСІВ УКРАЇНИ



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## Secretariat of the Espoo Convention

## Implementation Committee of the Espoo Convention

The Ministry of Ecology and Natural Resources of Ukraine (hereafter – the Ministry) presents its compliments to the Implementation Committee of the Espoo Convention and to the Secretariat of the Espoo Convention and in response to your letter dated April, 17, 2019 has the honour to inform the following.

In the period 2013-2015 in the legislation of Ukraine there was no separate procedure for conducting public hearings during transboundary EIA procedure.

The procedure for conducting public hearings was performed in accordance with the requirements:

the Espoo Convention (ratified at March, 19, 1999);

the Law "On City Development Activities" (Article 21);

the Decree of the Government of Ukraine "Procedure for conducting public consultations on issues related to the formation and implementation of state policy" (#996 dated November, 3, 2010).

For now, the organization of public hearings as an affected Party is regulated in para 2, 13 article 14 of the EIA Law of Ukraine (entry into force December, 18, 2017) as well the Order of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine as of December, 13, 2017 # 989 "On approval of the procedure of conducting of public hearings in the process of Environmental Impact Assessment". For detail information please see "Questionnaire for the report of Ukraine on the implementation of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context in the period 2016–2018".

We would like to take this opportunity to emphasize the high level of our previous cooperation and we hope for strengthening of mutual efforts in the field of environmental protection.

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