## IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE

## CONVENTION ON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT IN A TRANSBOUNDARY CONTEXT PROTOCOL ON STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

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Ref. Follow-up on decision VI/2 of the Meeting of the Parties (EIA/IC/S/4 Ostrovets nuclear power plant)

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Dear Mr. Auglys,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Implementation Committee under the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo, 1991) and its Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment (Kyiv, 2003).

At its thirty-seventh session, held in Geneva from 12 to 14 December 2016, the Committee thoroughly analysed the steps taken by Belarus and Lithuania since the Committee's twenty-seventh session in following its decision VI/2 of the Meeting of the Parties. It took note of the material provided by Belarus and Lithuania in response to the Committee's request of 19 September 2016.

To enable further consideration of the matter by the Committee at its next session with the view to finalize draft recommendations to the seventh Meeting of the Parties, I am now writing on behalf the Committee to kindly request you to inform it about progress made in negotiating the bilateral agreement between Belarus and Lithuania for the implementation of the Convention according to article 8, including a provisional timetable and planned steps to finalize the agreement, and substantive content of the agreement.

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You are kindly requested to provide the information required to the secretariat in English by no later than **3 February 2016**, for the Committee to consider at its thirty-eighth session scheduled to take place from 20 to 22 February 2017.

Yours sincerely,

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