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Andrea Barad Head of Unit Ministry of Rural Development Budapest

Dear Ms. Barad,

Re: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Hungary in connection with a plan to extend the Paks Nuclear Power Plant (ACCC/C/2014/105)

At its fifty-third and fifty-fourth meetings (Geneva, 21 - 24 June 2016 and 27-30 September 2016), the Compliance Committee continued its deliberations on its draft findings regarding the above communication and agreed to send further questions for the response of the Party concerned. Please now find enclosed the questions prepared by the Committee for your attention.

The Committee would be very grateful to receive your reply to the enclosed questions on or before **Monday**, **21 November 2016**. Please send your response to <u>aarhus.compliance@unece.org</u>, copying the communicants. The communicants will then have until **Monday**, **28 November 2016** to provide the Committee with any comments they wish to make on your reply. The Committee will consider the information received by the above deadlines when deliberating upon its draft findings at its upcoming fifty-fifth meeting (Geneva, 6-9 December 2016).

Please do not hesitate to contact the secretariat if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Marshall

Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Cc: Permanent Mission of Hungary to the United Nations Office and other international

organizations in Geneva

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- 1. Please provide the Committee with an English translation of the table of contents of the 2008-2020 Energy Policy of Hungary, adopted by the Decision of the Parliament No. 40/2008 (IV. 17.) Ogy, and of any parts of the Energy Policy which summarize its content (e.g. Introduction, Summary, Executive Summary, Conclusions, etc.).
- 2. Did the draft of the 2008-2020 Energy Policy of Hungary that was subject to the public participation procedure include any options or alternatives? If yes, please briefly describe the options or alternatives that were included.
- 3. Please summarize the main conclusions of the SEA of the 2008-2020 Energy Policy of Hungary.
- 4. Please summarize how the comments by the public on the draft 2008-2020 Energy Policy were taken into account by Government and/or the Parliament. Please also provide any available documentary evidence of how the comments were taken into account by the Government and/or Parliament (together with an English translation thereof).