

GOVERNMENT of ROMANIA MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE

Directorate of Impact Assessment and Atmosphere Protection

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Ref: Communication to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee concerning compliance by Romania with provision of the Convention in connection with the proposed construction of a nuclear power plant and the approval of the Energy Strategy (Ref. ACCC/C/2010/51)

To: Ms. Aphrodite Smagadi, Secretary to the Aarhus Convention Compliance Committee

Dear Ms. Aphrodite Smagadi,

As a result of your request to clarify aspects related to public consultation for "The Energy Strategy of Romania for the period 2007 – 2020", we inform you that we have received, on 31 May 2013, from the Ministry of Economy the information attached to the present letter (Annex 1- Annex 8).

The Ministry of Economy stated once again that this strategy was developed in a team that included prestigious institutes from the Romanian energy sector, e. g. ISPE and ICEMENERG, commercial companies from this field (Transelectrica), ANRE (National Agency for Energy Regulation) and NGOs and that the strategy was made available for public consultation on the ministry's web page.

To support these statements, the Ministry of Economy endorsed:

- The announcement posted on the MFP's web page (Annex 1)
- ➤ The email from the webmaster the administrator of the ministry's web page that confirms the announcement was posted at that date (Annex 2)
- Some emails containing observations to the draft strategy which confirm the public being consulted (Annex 3-Annex 6)
- > Table with observations to the draft strategy, in which Greenpeace is on row 4 (Annex 7)
- Information, regarding the discussions with the Greenpeace representatives on 24.05.2007 at the ministry's office (Annex 8)

The annexes have been translated in English with the support of the personnel of Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (unofficial translation).

Sincerely yours,

