

IMPLEMENTATION COMMITTEE
CONVENTION ON ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT IN A TRANSBOUNDARY CONTEXT
PROTOCOL ON STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Mr. Romas Svedas
Telephone: +370 677 42699
E-mail: romas.svedas@tspmi.vu.lt

Institute of International Relations
and Political Science,
Vilnius University
Vokieciu str. 10, LT-01130
Vilnius, Lithuania

Secretariat: Ms. Elena Santer, UNECE
Telephone: +41 (0)22 917 2090
E-mail: eia.conv@un.org cc: elena.santer@un.org,

Palais des Nations
CH-1211 Geneva 10
Switzerland

Ref. EIA/IC/INFO/23 Banovici thermal power plant

20 December 2018

Dear Ms. Matak,

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).

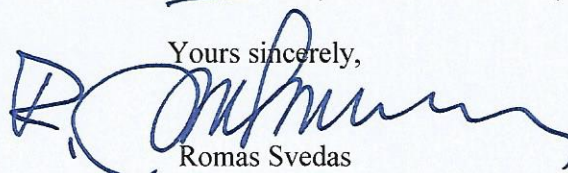
At its forty-third session, held in Geneva from 5 to 7 December 2018, the Committee considered the information from Ekotim (Bosnia and Herzegovina) of 14 April 2017 concerning the planned construction by Bosnia and Herzegovina of a thermal power plant in Banovici, approximately 50 kilometres from the borders of Croatia and Serbia.

At the request of the Committee, I am now writing to you to invite the Government of Croatia to provide the Committee the following information and clarifications:

- (a) Whether the Government of Croatia has been notified about the planned construction of a new thermal power plant in Banovici. If so, please indicate when the notification was received and what were the outcomes of the subsequent steps of the transboundary environmental assessment procedure, if completed;
- (b) Whether, based on the information available, the Government of Croatia considers Croatia as potentially affected Party with respect to this planned activity;
- (c) If the Government of Croatia considers that Croatia could be potentially affected but had not been notified, please inform the Committee whether it plans to make use of the mechanism provided for in article 3, paragraph 7, of the Convention.

You are kindly requested to provide the required information to the Committee by **15 February 2019**. The Committee will continue consideration of the matter at its forty-fourth session (Geneva, 12 to 15 March 2019).

Yours sincerely,



Romas Svedas

Chair, Implementation Committee,
Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment
in a Transboundary Context
Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment

Ms. Anamarija Matak
Head of Environmental Assessment Department
Directorate for Environmental Assessment and Industrial Pollution
Ministry of Environment and Energy
Ulica Republike Austrije 14
10 000 Zagreb, Croatia
Fax: +385 1 371 7122
Email: anamarija.matak@mzoip.hr

Cc: R. Tikvesa (rijad@ekotim.net; ekotim@bih.net.ba)