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Dear Mr Tarasenko,

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

I would like to thank the delegation of Ukraine for the presentation on 11 September 2013 of information and opinions on the Committee initiative regarding the extension of the lifetime of two reactors of the nuclear power plant near Rivne, Ukraine. The Committee agreed to consider the matter further and to prepare its draft findings and recommendations at its next session on the basis of the information made available to it. To this end, I am writing to request that Ukraine submit its responses to the Committee's questions (enclosed) in writing. You are also invited to provide the Committee with the following further information:

- (a) Chronology and exact dates of main events relating to units 1 and 2 of the Rivne nuclear power plant, since their construction in the 1980's, including the dates for all the safety checks, environmental permits, and the renewal of the license (you may wish to complete the preliminary table/chronology of events that was drafted during the hearing and is hereby enclosed);
- (b) The English translation of the relevant legal provisions of Ukraine for: (i) the issuance of a license for the construction of a new nuclear power plant and (ii) the license renewal, such as in the case of extension of lifetime;
- (c) The English translation of the respective legislative provisions for issuing the original license of 1980's and for determining the lifetime of thirty years for units 1 and 2 of the Rivne nuclear power plant, and the possible conditions of the extension of lifetime;

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- (d) A copy of the original licence and its English translation;
- (e) Evidence that the EIA documentation prepared for the unit 4 in 1998 had addressed the cumulative impacts from all four units of the nuclear power plant.

You are kindly invited to provide the information to the secretariat by 15 October 2013 for consideration by the Committee at its next session.

Yours sincerely,

Vesna Kolar Planinšič

Chair, Implementation Committee,

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