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Answer to notification regarding the new nuclear power station at Sizewell C, England

Dear Mr Price,

United Kingdom, acting as the Party of Origin, notified Estonia according to Article 3 of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo Convention) regarding the new nuclear power station at Sizewell C, Leiston, Suffolk, England. Estonia acknowledges receipt of the notification.

It is described in the notification that the Secretary of State has screened the proposal for likely significant transboundary effects to Estonia, and is of the view that the proposed development is not likely to have such. This assessment includes the taking of a precautionary approach to the information currently provided by the applicant. Notwithstanding the above, a notification has been sent to Estonia.

The Ministry of the Environment of Estonia distributed the notification to numerous authorities and non-governmental environmental organizations. Notice of the public consultation procedure concerning the notification was given in the official publication *Ametlikud Teadaanded*. The public display took place from November 8th to November 29th, 2019. Feedback was received from the Ministry of Finance, the Ministry of Rural Affairs, the Environmental Board, the Health Board and the Estonian Council of Environmental NGOs.

Based on the consideration of the comments received and reflecting its own views, the Ministry of the Environment informs that Estonia does not intend to participate in the transboundary impact assessment procedure regarding the new nuclear power station at Sizewell C, England.

Sincerely Yours,

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