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Notification in accordance with Article 3 of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (The Espoo Convention) for Södra Midsjöbanken Wind farm in the Baltic Sea within the Swedish Economic Zone (EEZ)

We hereby notify Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland and Russian Federation about the planned project Södra Midsjöbanken Wind farm and ask kindly for an indication whether a participation in the Environmental Impact Assessment procedure is intended.

Referring to Article 3 point 3, Sweden asks the notified countries to respond within 10 weeks (at the latest 9th September 2011), and to

- Acknowledge receipt of the notification
- Indicate whether your country intends to participate in the Environmental Impact Assessment procedure
- Provide comments concerning the scope for the assessment of the environmental impacts of the project affecting your country, and
- Submit any comments you might receive from the public in your country

The project can be found as item 22 (wind farms) on the extended list of activities in Appendix I in the 2nd amendment of the Espoo Convention.

Information on the project

The energy company E.ON Wind Sweden AB is planning a wind farm located in the very middle of the South Baltic Sea, on Södra Midsjöbanken in the Swedish Economic Zone, close to the Polish Economic Zone. The wind farm will include approximately 300 turbines, covering the Swedish part of the bank on a total area of about 320 square km. The height of the plants will not exceed 200 m. The total capacity of the project is up to 1000 MW.

Three or four transformation platforms are planned within the wind farm area. The wind farm is planned to connect to a planned cable between Sweden and Lithuania, a separate ongoing project called the NordBalt cable.

The nature of the possible decision and the EIA-procedure in Sweden

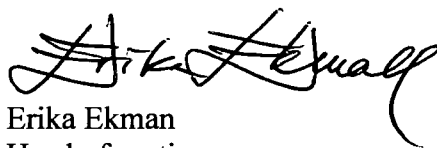
The wind farm project as described by the developer requires permits under the Act of the Economic Zone and the Act of the Continental Shelf. The Swedish Government is the permitting authority regarding this kind of project. The developer submits an application to the Ministry of Enterprise, Energy and Communication regarding the permit under the Act of the Continental Shelf and to the Ministry of the Environment regarding the permit under the Act of the Economic Zone. The permit application shall contain the EIA-report and information about any consultations that have taken place pursuant to the EIA-rules in the Environmental Act.

The developer is responsible for the EIA-procedure. The EIA-procedure has started in Sweden and the developer has translated the project information document, indicating the draft scope of the Environmental Impact Assessment for the project. The full EIA-report will probably be carried out later this year and is going to be sent out on consultation pursuant to the Espoo Convention to those Parties that intend to participate in the EIA-procedure, when the application and the EIA-report are displayed to the public in Sweden.

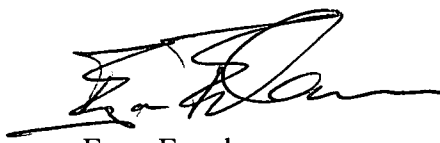
The Swedish Environmental Protection Agency is designated to fulfil Sweden's obligations under the Espoo Convention.

Kindly send the answer to this notification to the Swedish Environmental Protection Agency, SE 106 48 Stockholm SWEDEN, **9th September 2011 at the latest**. We appreciate to receive the answer in electronic form to registrator@naturvardsverket.se. Please indicate case number NV-06410-11.

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Attachment:

Windfarmprojekt, Södra Midsjöbanken, Consultation document 2011-05-16
(Project information document, elaborated and translated into your own language by the developer.)

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