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Parties of the Espoo Convention

Information on the EIA procedure of extending Loviisa nuclear power plant's lifetime in Finland

Finland wishes to inform about the start of an environmental impact assessment (EIA) of a proposed project to extend Loviisa nuclear power plant's lifetime in Finland. The developer Fortum Power and Heat Oy is in the process of assessing the extension of the operation of Loviisa nuclear power plant by a maximum of approximately 20 years beyond the current operating license period. The other main alternative is to proceed to the decommissioning phase when the power plant's current operating licenses expire.

Finland has made the consideration to notify Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Germany, Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia and the Russian Federation according to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo Convention) on its own initiative and to inform all other Convention Parties. The EIA Programme (scoping document) is available in English, Swedish and Finnish and a short version of the scoping document is available in the notified countries' languages. The links to the information material are provided below.

Should your Party consider itself to be likely affected by the project and wishes to be notified in accordance with article 3 of the Espoo Convention and article 7 of the EIA Directive (EU Member States), please send information by 18 September 2020 to the Ministry of the Environment's registry (kirjaamo@ym.fi) with a copy to Seija Rantakallio (firstname.lastname@ym.fi). You may also send your contact details if you wish only to receive the EIA documentation for information and not to participate into the EIA.

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Links to the information material (the documents have been prepared by the developer):

- Link to the Environmental Impact Assessment Programme in English and Summary of the environmental impact assessment programme for the international hearing (Swedish, Norwegian, Danish, German, Polish, Lithuanian, Latvian, Estonian, Russian and English) https://tem.fi/en/loviisa-1-and-2-eia-programme
- Link to the Environmental Impact Assessment Programme in Swedish https://tem.fi/sv/lovisa-1-och-2-mkb-programmet
- Link to the Environmental Impact Assessment Programme in Finnish https://tem.fi/loviisa-1-ja-2-yva-ohjelma