



REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND WATER MINISTER

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Subject: *Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Procedure in a transboundary context for the project "The development of the Argeş and Dâmboviţa rivers for navigation and other uses"*

DEAR MADAM MINISTER,

I would like to acknowledge the receipt of your letter concerning the started EIA Procedure on project "The development of the Argeş and Dâmboviţa rivers for navigation and other uses". It was received on 13 July 2012.

After we got acquainted with the information in the attached notification of the project, we found that the project "The development of the Argeş and Dâmboviţa rivers for navigation and other uses" envisages development of the Argeş and Dâmboviţa rivers as navigable rivers and also construction of hydropower facilities and ports together with the related infrastructure. This is connected with increase of the presumable negative impact on surface waters of the Danube River, both during the process of construction and the subsequent exploitation, regardless of the proposed measures for pollution prevention.

With regard to this and pursuant to Article 3, Paragraph 3 of the *Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a transboundary context*, I declare the desire of the Republic of Bulgaria to participate in the EIA Procedure for the project mentioned above.

I avail myself of the opportunity to express my best regards and my willingness for fruitful cooperation during the implementation of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Procedure in a transboundary context.

Sincerely Yours,

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To
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