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**INFORMATION ABOUT THE SCREENING CONCLUSION FOR PROPOSED
ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES (PREVIOUSLY PLANNED WIND FARMS) IN THE
VICINITY OF THE LITHUANIAN-LATVIAN BORDER**

Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania (hereinafter referred to as Ministry of Environment), in response to the requests expressed in the letter of Environment State Bureau of the Republic of Latvia dated September 4, 2019 (No. 5-01/805) hereby informs about the screening conclusion for EIA with regard to proposed changes of previously planned wind farms in Mažeikiai district municipality, Židikai ward, Juodeikėliai, Griežė, Dautartai, Ritinė and Palūšė villages. The changes to the economic activities are proposed by a Lithuanian developer, "VVP investment" LLC and comprise a reduction in number, changes in locations and replacement of the equipment of previously planned installations for the harnessing of wind power for energy production (wind power plants). The distances from the wind power plants to the State border of the Republic of Latvia range from 0.24 km to 2.6 km.

On October 16, 2019 competent EIA authority of Lithuania – Environmental Protection Agency concluded (screening conclusion No. (30.2)-A4E-5029) that **environmental impact assessment is obligatory**. The conclusion was made by taking into account concerns, expressed in the letter of Environment State Bureau of the Republic of Latvia, having considered comments of other governmental and municipal institutions participating in the screening procedure, considering potential adverse environmental effects of the proposed economic activity and recognizing the need to provide opportunities for the public to participate in environmental decision making. Full text of the screening conclusion (in Lithuanian) is available online, on the homepage of the Ministry of Environment: <http://am.lrv.lt>→EN→Activities→Environmental Impact Assessment→Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context→Changes to previously planned installations for the harnessing of wind power for energy production (wind farms) in Mažeikiai district municipality, Juodeikėliai, Griežė, Dautartai, Ritinė and Palūšė villages (July 2019)→Screening conclusion (in Lithuanian).

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