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**Regarding the Strategic Environmental Assessment of Oskarshamn Municipality's
Detailed Development Plan for Energy Production, Sweden**

The State Environmental Service of the Republic of Latvia (hereinafter – the Service), acting as the Point of Contact regarding Notifications under the Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (hereinafter – the SEA Protocol) and as the competent authority on environmental assessment matters in Latvia, would like to thank the Swedish Environmental Protection Agency for the notification regarding Oskarshamn Municipality's proposed detailed development plan for energy production in Oskarshamn Municipality, Sweden (hereinafter – the Plan).

Latvia reaffirms its commitment to the Espoo Convention and SEA Protocol and to the principle of information exchange between Parties concerning activities that may potentially cause significant adverse transboundary environmental impact.

The Service hereby acknowledges the receipt of the notification and the prepared documentation¹. Please be informed that the Service published received information regarding the Project on the Service webpage² on 21 May 2026 and sent information directly to the authorities involved.

The Service has reviewed the information provided regarding the Plan. According to the notification, Oskarshamn Municipality intends to prepare a detailed development plan for fossil-free energy production within an approximately 100-hectare area located on the property Ävrö 1:16 in Figeholm, adjacent to the existing nuclear power plant in Oskarshamn. The proposed land use may include energy production facilities, including nuclear power installations, associated infrastructure, offices and temporary accommodation facilities for personnel. The strategic environmental assessment procedure is currently in its scoping phase. At present, no specific developer has been designated and no environmental permitting procedure for a nuclear power project has commenced. Potential transboundary environmental and health impacts identified in the notification are associated primarily with radiation in the event of an accident.

¹ Received on 21 April 2026, registration No. 5514/AP/2026.

² <https://www.eva.gov.lv/lv/jaunums/oskarshamnas-pasvaldibas-detallplana-energijas-razosanas-teritorijas-attistibai-figeholma-zviedrija-strategiskais-ietekmes-uz-vidi-novertejums>

The Service received opinions regarding the Project and its potential transboundary impacts within the scope of competence from the Ministry of Smart Administration and Regional Development of the Republic of Latvia, the Ministry of the Interior of the Republic of Latvia, the Ministry of Climate and Energy of the Republic of Latvia, the Ministry of Economics of the Republic of Latvia, The Ministry of Agriculture of the Republic of Latvia, The Ministry of Health of the Republic of Latvia, the State Defense Military Facilities and Procurement Centre, the Nature Conservation Agency and the Latvian Institute of Aquatic Ecology. No comments were received from the public.

Based on the information currently available regarding the proposed detailed development plan, its location and its strategic planning nature, the competent Latvian authorities, including the Radiation Safety Centre of the Service, have concluded that Latvia is not likely to experience significant adverse transboundary environmental effects that would necessitate participation in the strategic environmental assessment procedure as an affected Party Article 10 of the Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment (no significant adverse transboundary impacts on Latvia, including no radiological risks, are expected).

Nevertheless, in the spirit of openness and continued cooperation under the SEA Protocol, the Service kindly requests to be kept informed about the further development of the Plan, including the results of the strategic environmental assessment and any findings regarding transboundary environmental effects. Latvia would particularly appreciate receiving information concerning any findings relevant to nuclear safety, radiological safety and emergency preparedness, impacts on the Baltic Sea ecosystem and biodiversity, should issues of potential relevance to neighbouring countries be identified during the further planning and assessment processes.

The Service remains available for further information exchange and cooperation with the Swedish authorities regarding the Plan.

Enclosed documents: 9 files (*LHEI_Oskarshamn.pdf*, *Ministry of Agriculture_Oskarshamn.pdf*, *Ministry of Climate and Energy_Oskarshamn.pdf*, *Ministry of Economy_Oskarshamn.pdf*, *Ministry of Interior_Oskarshamn.pdf*, *Nature conservation Agency_Oskarshamn.pdf*, *VARAM_Oskarshamn.pdf*, *VAMOIC_Oskarshamn.pdf*, *Ministry of Health_Oskarshamn.pdf*).

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