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REGARDING TRANSBOUNDARY ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF EUROPEAN GAUGE RAILWAY LINE BETWEEN KAUNAS AND LITHUANIAN-LATVIAN BORDER

Ministry of Environment of the Republic of Lithuania by its letter dated 25 June 2015. No. (10-3)-D8-4785 notified the Republic of Latvia about the initiation of environmental impact assessment procedure (hereinafter – EIA) for the construction of European gauge public railway line between Kaunas and the Lithuanian–Latvian border, which is part of a larger project of transboundary scale – the EU Trans-European Network development, linking railway infrastructure of Baltic States with Poland and other parts of Western Europe.

Taking into account your answer indicating your intention to participate in the EIA procedure for the construction of European gauge public railway line between Kaunas and the Lithuanian-Latvian border, we hereby submit EIA documentation: summary of EIA report in Latvian and English languages, which includes information on transboundary impacts and graphic material relevant for the Latvian side (railway line routes page 15, noise propagation maps pages 32-35). The above mentioned documents and evaluation of the Latvian comments received during the scoping phase. are also available on the webpage http://www.publicity.lt/38-european-gauge-railway-line-between- kaunas-and-the-lithuanian-latvian-border-environmental-impact-assessment-report-summaryeiropas-standarta-dzelzce-a-l-nijas-kau-a-lietuvas-latvijas-valsts-robeza-ietekmes-uz-vidi-nov-rtjums, the EIA report in Lithuanian language is available on the webpage:

http://www.publicity.lt/failai/20160803/RB%20SP%20PAV%20ataskaita%2020160804%20v.3.00. pdf.

Please inform your public and relevant institutions about the proposed activity. The developer and the preparer of EIA documentation are ready to send their representatives to the public hearing meeting. Please inform us about the date and venue of the public hearing meeting as soon as possible.

Please submit your final comments taking into the opinion of the public and authorities to us no later than 25 November 2016.

Looking forward for close cooperation.

Enclosed:

Summary of EIA report in Latvian and English, graphic material in paper and electronic version (to the first addressee)

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Sincerely yours,

Vice-Minister

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