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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROGRAMME concerning new NPP by Fennovoima Oy

Dear Sir or Madam,

Our organisation - atomstopp_atomkraftfrei leben! - is deeply concerned about the direction Finnish Energy policy has taken. The NPP that Fennovoima Oy is planning to build is the third NPP project under consideration in Finland at the moment. We would like to point out that the problems linked with the generation of nuclear power are unsolved and severe.

First of all, we would like to address the still unsolved question of nuclear waste management. The planned NPP will have to be provided with a disposal site for low-and medium-level nuclear waste. A long term solution for the high-level nuclear waste still has to be found.

Moreover, it has to be taken into account that the used cooling water that will be pumped back into the Baltic Sea will be 10 – 13 degrees warmer than the normal sea temperature. The effects on the Baltic Sea due to polluting materials have to be thoroughly assessed.

Another matter that has to be looked into in detail is the question of the nuclear fuel used in the planned NPP. Uranium mining itself pollutes the environment. The poor health and social situation of mining workers has to be taken into account. The question of the provenance of the uranium used in the planned NPP therefore has to be answered. The fact that Fennovoima Oy is partly owned by companies involved in uranium mining has to be kept in mind.



It is a pity that Finland tries to meet rising energy demands by building more NPPs. Vast amounts of money are invested in an unsustainable and outdated form of energy. Opportunities of establishing renewable energy sources are not used and financial resources are wasted on technologies that are not beneficial to our future. Sincerely,

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