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Dear Ms Rantakallio,

Austria is participating in the transboundary EIA procedure pursuant to the Espoo Convention and Art. 7 EIA Directive for the lifetime extension of the nuclear power plant Loviisa by the Finnish developer Fortum Power and Heat Oy.

A public participation procedure was carried out between 11 October and 19 November 2021 in Austria. Please find enclosed the comments received from the public and authorities including an expert statement commissioned by the Federal Ministry for Climate Action for consideration pursuant to Art. 6 Espoo Convention and Art. 8 EIA Directive.

Due to the existing Coronavirus situation, Austria would like to carry out consultations according to Art. 5 Espoo Convention and Art. 7 EIA Directive in a written form. We would kindly request Finland to answer the questions listed in the expert statement. Depending on the answers, Austria would like to reserve further consultations (in writing or per video) if deemed necessary.

After having finalised the consultations, Austria will send a final expert statement for further consideration pursuant to Art. 6 Espoo Convention and Art. 8 EIA Directive.

Enclosure

Kind regards,

On behalf of the Federal Minister

Dr. Ursula Platzer-Schneider