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Notification pursuant to Article 3 of the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context (Espoo Convention) regarding a planned wind farm in Övertorneå Municipality in the county of Norrbotten

According to article 3 point 1 of the Espoo Convention, affected countries shall be notified and consulted on projects that are likely to cause transboundary environmental impacts. As a party of origin, Sweden hereby notifies Finland regarding the plans for the windfarm "Norrvind" in Övertorneå.

Information on the project

The developer, Njordr AB, plans to seek permit for a wind farm in the municipality of Övertorneå, Sweden. The closest distance to the Finnish border is approximately 14km. The activities covered by the upcoming application for an environmental permit for the wind farm are the wind turbines in the three sub-areas as well as ancillary activities that are added. The project area for Norrvind is approximately 73 km² divided into three sub-areas: Matinlauri (23 km²), Ansavaara (34 km²) and Kero (16 km²).

Depending on the final layout, exact height of the wind turbines and output, the wind farm's output will vary. The total height of the wind turbines can be up to 290 meters and the rotor diameter can be up to 200 meters. Based on current layout proposals, a turbine output of 8.8 MW and assumptions about wind availability, the planned windfarm is estimated to produce around 2700 GWh/year.

The planned project is subject to a permit according to Chapter 9 of the Environmental Code.

Attached to this notification letter contains information about the planned wind farm's location, scope and design and the preliminary content and design of the EIA.

Future permit applications with associated EIA will be designed based on what emerges during the consultations.

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Participating in the transboundary EIA-procedure

Referring to Article 3.3 of the Espoo Convention, Sweden kindly asks Finland to respond **no later than the 20**th **of April 2024** at the latest and

- 1. acknowledge the receipt of the notification,
- 2. indicate, whether your country intends to participate in the EIA procedure
- 3. provide comments concerning the scope for the assessment of the environmental impacts of the project on your territory.
- 4. submit any comments you might receive from the public in your country.

Kindly send the answer to this notification by e-mail to: registrator@naturvardsverket.se Please indicate Case number NV-01159-24 and "Norrvind" in your answer.

This decision has been made digitally and therefore lacks signatures

For the Swedish Environmental Protection Agency

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<u>Attachments</u>

Consultation document (English)
Translated consultation document (Finnish and Swedish)
Attachment 1, Photomontage (Swedish)

Cc.

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