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Subject: transboundary consultation pursuant to Articles 4 and 5 of the Espoo Convention on the planned project titled 'Offshore Wind Farm OWF Bałtyk I'

Dear Sirs,

The General Directorate for Environmental Protection by letter of 18 August 2022, ref.: DOOŚ-TSOOŚ.440.2.2022.MT.1, submitted a notification pursuant to Article 3 of the *Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context*<sup>1</sup> and Article 7 of the Directive 2011/92/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 December 2011 *on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment*<sup>2</sup>, about the planned project consisting in the construction of the offshore wind farm **OWF Bałtyk I**. Together with the project information sheet, information on the environmental impact assessment procedure and the competent authorities participating in the proceedings on the issuance of a decision on environmental conditions has been provided to you.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> drawn up in Espoo on 25 February 1991 (OJ of 1999, No. 96, item 1110, as amended), hereinafter referred to as the *Espoo Convention*.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> OJ L of 2012, No. 26, p. 1 as amended, hereinafter referred to as the *EIA Directive*.

In connection with your declaration of participation as an Affected Party in the proceedings on the transboundary environmental impact of the planned project, I am hereby submitting the following information.

# **Documentation according to Article 4 of the Espoo Convention**

The positions and comments of the Swedish Party and Danish Party to the project information sheet have been taken into account in the decision determining the scope of the environmental impact report made by the Regional Director for Environmental Protection in Gdańsk and dated 29 December 2022, ref.: RDOŚ-Gd-WOO.420.35.2022.AJ.7, communicated to you by letter of 12 January 2023, ref.: DOOŚ-TSOOŚ.440.2.2022.MT.4).

# The Polish Party, pursuant to Article 4(2) of the Espoo Convention, hereby sends the relevant documentation containing:

- 1. OWF Bałtyk I. Environmental Impact Report for the Project (prepared by H. Powell, A. Karaś, S. Łyskawka, R. Maidment, A. Hampson (authors), November 2023) in Polish;
- 2. OWF Bałtyk I. Espoo Report (prepared by: H. Powell, A. Hampson, R. Maidment, A. Karaś (authors), November 2023) <u>in Polish, Danish and Swedish;</u>

and

3. GDPR clause, which should be published to your public together with the above-mentioned documentation, in Polish, Danish and Swedish.

All of the documentation listed above can be found at the below link (downloadable <u>until 18</u> January 2024):

https://owncloud.gdos.gov.pl/index.php/s/hZXNSWMS8B06STB

### Public participation pursuant to Article 4(2) of the Espoo Convention

Please provide **a 30-day** public participation period with the opportunity to submit comments and proposals on the submitted documentation and provide feedback on the commencement of the Affected Party's public opinion on the documentation.

#### Transboundary consultation pursuant to Article 5 of the Espoo Convention

Please be advised that the planned timeframe for transboundary consultations is 6 months from the receipt by you of the documentation referred to in this notification.

## The Polish Party is kindly requesting you to:

1. Acknowledge, without further ado, receipt of this letter with the attachments provided for download;

- 2. provide comments and remarks on the environmental impact assessment of the planned project on your territory;
- 3. communicate any comments you may receive from the public in your country;
- 4. indicate whether there is a need for transboundary intergovernmental consultations in the form of an expert meeting, pursuant to Article 5 of the Espoo Convention.

Please send the above-mentioned remarks and comments on paper or electronic form within 45 days of receipt of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

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Deputy Head of Department
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## For information:

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