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SUBJECT: CONCERNING THE LITHUANIAN PARLIAMENT PROJECT ON RENEWABLE ENERGY RESOURCES AND PLANS FOR NEW HYDRO-POWER DAMS IN LITHUANIAN RIVERS

The Ministry of Energy of the Republic of Lithuania has analysed concerns regarding potential hydro energy development in Lithuania expressed in Your letter of 24 November 2010.

It must be noted that environmental concerns have been considered in the National Renewable Energy Resource Development Strategy approved by the Lithuanian Government in June 2010 as well as in the National Energy (Independence) Strategy approved by the Government in November 2010 and presented to the Parliament. Due to environmental concerns, moderate expansion of hydro energy is foreseen in these strategic documents (namely, overall installed capacity of hydro power plants is supposed to reach 141 MW or 153 MW in 2010 and this capacity is much lower than it was in the draft Law on Renewable Energy at the date of Your letter).

Also, it must be noted that the present edition of the draft Law on Renewable Energy determines development of hydro power plants corresponding to the position of the Government expressed in the National Renewable Energy Resource Development Strategy (reaching the overall capacity of 141 MW in 2020).

Vice Minister

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