<u>Energy Community Secretariat calls for Ukraine to adopt environmental directive</u> Ukraine

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The Secretariat has sent a formal notice to Ukraine following Ukraine's failure to adopt adequate environmental provisions. The Reasoned Opinion notice was sent on 12 January to address the lack of complete transposition of the Environmental Impact Assessment Directive. The deadline for Ukraine's adoption of the energy directive expired on 1 January 2013. An energy law which would have addressed the Secretariat's concerns was recently sent back for consideration by the President of Ukraine, and remains unsigned. The Secretariat has concluded that Ukraine did not fulfil its obligation to transpose the Environmental Impact Assessment Directive into national law. Ukraine has two months to react to the allegation of non-compliance with Energy Community law otherwise the Secretariat may bring the matter to the attention of the Ministerial Council.

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