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Dear Mr Movchan,

Thank you for your letter dated 8 April 2013. We would like to assure you that the EBRD notes concerns of your organisation and the multiple signees to the letter with regard to the development of Ukrenergo's Novoodesskaya-Artsyz transmission line routing.

Please be informed that the works on feasibility study and ESIA for the optimal route of the line in question are currently being carried out by the international consultants and closely monitored by the EBRD. Only after the full analysis of all the alternatives is finalised, Ukrenergo is going to complete selection of the route and present this decision to the Bank.

It is important to clarify that EBRD is not considering Novoodesskaya-Artsyz transmission line routing as its project, while all the studies are still to be completed by the consultants. In accordance with the EBRD Environmental and Social Policy, EBRD supports a precautionary approach, and projects listed under ESP's Appendix 2 (c) are not considered for financing by the Bank. Moreover, the EBRD's Clients are required to follow all related environmental and social requirements under national and international agreements ratified by Ukraine, including under Ramsar and Espoo Conventions.

Yours sincerely