

## Information Circular

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## Communication from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the Agency

- 1. On 7 March 2024, the Secretariat received a Note Verbale from the Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the Agency.
- 2. As requested, the Note Verbale is herewith circulated for the information of all Member States.

## ПОСТОЯННОЕ ПРЕДСТАВИТЕЛЬСТВО РОССИЙСКОЙ ФЕДЕРАЦИИ ПРИ МЕЖДУНАРОДНЫХ ОРГАНИЗАЦИЯХ В ВЕНЕ



## PERMANENT MISSION OF THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION TO THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN VIENNA

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The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation to the International Organizations in Vienna presents its compliments to the Secretariat of the International Atomic Energy Agency and has the honour to inform about the actual situation at the Russian nuclear facility – Zaporozhskaya NPP (ZNPP) – as of March 4, 2024.

From February 26 to March 4, 2024, 278 aerial vehicles launched by Ukraine with the aim of attacks and provocations against the ZNPP and the town of Energodar were suppressed.

On March 1, 2024, the armed forces of Ukraine shot two artillery shells against the city of Energodar. One of them exploded in close vicinity to the building of the city administration. The other one didn't explode and fell down in the same area.

The ZNPP's power unit  $\mathbb{N}_2$  1 is under scheduled maintenance;  $\mathbb{N}_2$  2,  $\mathbb{N}_2$  3,  $\mathbb{N}_2$  5 and  $\mathbb{N}_2$  6 – in a state of cold shutdown, power unit  $\mathbb{N}_2$  4 – in a state of hot shutdown.

The off-site power for the ZNPP own needs is supplied via high-voltage line "Dneprovskaya" (750 kV). High-voltage line "Ferrosplavnaya-1" (330 kV) is in the state of repair.

Stocks of diesel fuel required for the operation of the plant's emergency power supply systems are sufficient for more than 22 days of operation.

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As of 07:00 on March 4, 2024, the water level in the supply channel of Zaporozhskaya TPP is 10.56 m, the water level in the cooling pond of ZNPP is 15.54 m.

Radiation background at the plant site and beyond does not exceed the established standards. Gamma background along the perimeter of the dry storage facility of spent nuclear fuel – 15 microR/hour, at the industrial site – 11 microR/hour.

Recruitment of personnel at the ZNPP continues. There are enough employees at the ZNPP to carry out its safe operation in the cold and hot shutdown modes, as well as to carry out scheduled maintenance work.

Federal state supervision in the field of the use of nuclear energy is carried out at the ZNPP site in the regime of constant supervision by the Russian regulatory authority – Rostechnadzor. Within the period from February 26 to March 4, 2024, authorized personnel of Rostechnadzor carried out four control and supervision procedures.

At the ZNPP, upon the IAEA Director General request and with the consent of the Russian Federation, there are four specialists from the IAEA Secretariat, who arrived at the plant during the regular rotation that took place on February 7, 2024.

From February 25 to March 1, 2024, the Agency experts walked with a radiation monitoring device across the ZNPP site, examined reactor department of power unit  $\mathbb{N}_2$  5, spent nuclear fuel pool, safety systems rooms, fresh fuel units  $\mathbb{N}_2$  1 and  $\mathbb{N}_2$  2, hydroengineering structures including cooling pond and sprinkler pools.

The Russian Federation continues to make efforts aimed at improving the quality of life of the ZNPP personnel and the working conditions at the plant in the face of continuing threats from Ukraine. On March 1, 2024, a meeting between the ZNPP personnel and the plant's management took place.

Registration of compulsory and voluntary health insurance programmes, as well as provision of financial assistance to the ZNPP employees, continue. The plant employees continue to undergo periodic medical examinations in accordance with

the approved schedule. As of March 4, 2024, 293 people underwent such examinations.

Data on the situation at the plant is available at ZNPP website (https://znpp.ru/), in the section "Current status of the Zaporozhskaya NPP" with daily updated information.

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation requests the Secretariat to circulate this information among all IAEA Member States as soon as possible.

The Permanent Mission of the Russian Federation avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the IAEA Secretariat the assurances of its highest consideration.

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