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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview

Project Name: *ENEA POWER GRID INFRASTRUCTURE*
Project Number: *2014-0118*
Country: *Poland*
Project Description: *Investment schemes in the upgrade and expansion of electricity distribution grid in Western Poland over 2015-2017*

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

EIB notes the following key Environmental and Social outcomes at Project Completion.

The project focused on modernisation and building of new overhead lines, cables, transformers, and substations.

All project schemes fell under Annex II of Directive 2014/52/EU amending the EIA Directive 2011/92/EU and required a screening decision by the competent authorities at the planning and consent stage to determine whether projects be subject to an environmental impact assessment.

The majority of the project schemes financed by the Bank were of medium and low voltage reinforcements that did not require full EIAs and had minimal or no environmental impact. The competent authority decided that six projects had to undergo an Environmental Impact Assessment:

- the overhead 110 kV line Choszczno II – Recz,
- the overhead 110 kV line Kluczewo – Pyrzyce,
- the overhead 110 kV line Lobez - Bialogard – Resko,
- the overhead 110 kV line Resko – Lobez – Worowo,
- the substation Choszczno II,
- the substation Recz.

The key identified impacts included the generation of noise during construction (the mitigant – conduct the works only between 6:00 and 22:00), possibility of destruction of plants covered by the regulations on partial protection (the mitigant, among others – conduct the works under the supervision of environmental protection authorities), and waste generation (the mitigant, - various measures concerning minimisation of waste generation and also waste management).

The EIAs did not reveal any significant negative impact of the investments on the environment. Also none of the investment schemes had a significant impact on sites of nature conservation. No significant environmental or social issues were noted.



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Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:

EIB is of the opinion based on reports from the promoter during construction that the Project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.