



European Investment Bank (EIB)

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Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)

Overview

Project Name: TAURON ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION II
 Project Number: 2015-0544
 Country: Poland
 Project Description: The Project involves a multi-annual investment Programme for the refurbishment, modernisation and extension of electricity networks of the Promoter's distribution company, Tauron Distribution S.A., located in Southern and South-Western Poland. The programme covered the period 2016-2019.

Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

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

Originally, the Programme covered the period 2016-2020, it was however completed a year earlier. The Programme commissioned approx. 1417 km of MV overhead lines and cables and 10 974 km of and low voltage network. The Programme also included the construction and the enlargement or refurbishment of 1954 new and refurbished medium voltage to low voltage substations adding 928 MVA of transformation capacity.

At appraisal due to the fact that the initial scope of the programme included components that could be subject of a full Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and/or appropriate assessment under Art. 6 of the Habitats Directive, an undertaking was deemed necessary i.e. the Promoter not to allocate the Bank's funds to distribution programme components that require an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) until the EIA and/or the biodiversity assessment have been finalised, satisfactory to the Bank, and approved by the competent authority. When the EIA was made available to the public, an electronic copy of the full EIA study should have been sent to the Bank. The Promoter also undertook to store and keep updated any documents as may be relevant for the project supporting the compliance with the provisions under the EU Habitats and Birds Directives and upon request promptly deliver such documents to the Bank

At completion, the Promoter reported that none of the investment programme schemes required from the Competent Authorities an Environmental Impact Assessment or an Appropriate Assessment in compliance with the relevant EU Directives.

The Promoter routinely implements mitigation measures to minimise impacts during construction and operation of its equipment, including containment of noise, vibrations and traffic disruption during the works and waste collection procedures during operation among others.

No significant environment 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.