WRITTEN QUESTION P-3855/07 by Danuté Budreikaité (ALDE) to the Commission

Subject: Implementation of the EU energy package

Directive 2003/54/EC¹ of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning common rules for the internal market in electricity and repealing Directive 96/92/EC² (the Electricity Directive) and the energy package proposed by the Commission in January 2007 set very clear requirements for participants in the EU energy market, including the separation of energy production/supply, transmission and distribution by 1 July 2007 (pursuant to Directive 2003/54/EC). Some Member States are known to oppose implementation of this requirement.

Can the Commission provide information on the state of implementation of the Electricity Directive in the Member States?

Which countries are opposed to the reform of the energy market, and what are the possible consequences of not implementing the Electricity Directive for specific states?

Can the Commission comment on the 'national investor' envisaged by the Nuclear Power Plant Law of the Republic of Lithuania (No X-1231 of 28 June 2007, which entered into force on 10 July 2007), which combines transmission and distribution networks with a view to building a new nuclear power plant?

Can the Commission comment on the possible application of the new provisions (separation of energy production/supply, transmission and distribution) to participants in the Nord Stream gas pipeline project, particularly Gazprom?

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> OJ L 176, 15.7.2003, p. 37.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> OJ L 27, 30.1.1997, p. 20.