

Nuclear energy: Bohunice V1 nuclear power plant in Slovakia, implementation of the Protocol No 9 annexed to the Accession Act 2004

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The committee adopted the report by Rebecca HARMS (Greens/EFA, DE) amending the proposal under the consultation procedure:

- EU funding should be increased from EUR 237 million, as proposed by the Commission, to EUR 400 million for the period from 1 January 2007 to 31 December 2013, given that the estimated costs of the early closure and decommissioning of the two units of the Bohunice V1 nuclear power plant in Slovakia were much higher than the basis used for the Commission's calculation;
- a new clause in Article 2 provided for the Commission to define the measures to be financed from the EU budget in more detail in 2006 after it had received the relevant Decommissioning Plan from the Slovak authorities. The Commission would take its annual decision on whether to approve the measures to be financed on the basis of that plan;
- a new clause in Article 3 stipulated that the Community should continue to provide funding after 31 December 2013, on the grounds that decommissioning of the nuclear power plant was a lengthy process which would go far beyond that date.