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**Question for written answer E-002702/24
to the Commission
Günther Sidl (S&D)
(29 November 2024)**

Subject: Financing nuclear power plant in Poland: lack of tendering procedure

On 2 November 2022, the Polish Government appointed Westinghouse Electric Company (WEC) as supplier of reactor technology (AP1000) for the country's first nuclear power plant (NPP-1) developed by Polskie Elektrownie Jądrowe (PEJ), a company fully owned by the State Treasury. This was done, ostensibly solely, with a decree on the 'necessity to implement nuclear power in Poland'.

Two other suppliers had also submitted offers: EDF (in 2021) and Korea Hydro and Nuclear Power (in 2022).

Since then, PEJ has signed several agreements with WEC (and Bechtel).

It follows that this decision may have not been supported by any formal tendering procedure.

1. Did the Polish administration have any communication with the Commission regarding the selection of that particular reactor technology, prior to or after its appointment in 2022? If so, when did it start and end?
2. Was the decree supported by the Commission and, specifically, has it issued any decision?
3. Did the Commission issue any decision regarding a technical exemption for the selection of the reactor technology supplier?

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**Answer given by Executive Vice-President Séjourné on behalf of the European Commission
(1 April 2025)**

There were several meetings between the Commission and the administration of the Republic of Poland involved in the nuclear power plant investment concerning the procurement aspects of the construction of this nuclear plant.

The Commission was first approached in May 2022 and the last meeting on the procurement dimension of the investment in relation to the selection of the particular technology took place in December 2022.

There was no approval by the Commission of any legal act of the Government of Poland or its entity. The Commission received information concerning the technical conditions that limit choice of nuclear reactors due to the cumulated power generation ranges they could provide.

There was no Commission decision in this regard.
