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ENERGY EQUIPMENT DONATIONS FOR UKRAINE

Introduction to the Energy Community Secretariat’s Ukraine Support Task Force
The war in Ukraine is causing suffering on a dramatic scale. Fifty percent of the energy infrastructure has been destroyed or damaged and millions of consumers were disconnected from power, gas, heating or water services. This means no electricity, heating, hot water and hot food. Ukrainian colleagues are working to repair the damages day and night, amid treacherous conditions. Despite households being reconnected to the electricity grid on a daily basis thanks to the bravery of energy workers, the continued targeted attacks against the infrastructure constantly create new damages, not mentioning the need to prepare for the next winter. Largely thanks to the invaluable donations of the international community, Ukraine has overcome the most challenging winter in decades; the preparations for the next are already ongoing, while simultaneously the country continues to repair the damages. Offers of emergency equipment, materials and fuels are still needed to stabilise the services.

Your country, company or association can help by donating equipment to Ukraine. The Energy Community Secretariat’s Ukraine Support Task Force (USTF) is there to assist your organisation in every step of the donation process, including arranging the transport of donated items, in cooperation with the European Commission’s Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations (DG ECHO).

If your country, company or association can help, please contact the Energy Community Secretariat’s Ukraine Support Task Force at UkraineEmergencySupport@energy-community.org for the most up-to-date list of emergency energy needs and assistance in the donation process.

Artur Lorkowski,  
Director of the Energy Community Secretariat
“Ukraine and its energy sector need our support. Donating equipment, fuels and materials is essential to ease the hardship of Ukrainian people in anticipation of the most challenging winter in decades. I am grateful to the Energy Community Secretariat for creating this opportunity and I call on all our partners to donate.”

Kadri Simson, EU Commissioner for Energy
THE ENERGY COMMUNITY SECRETARIAT’S UKRAINE SUPPORT TASK FORCE

The Energy Community Secretariat’s Ukraine Support Task Force (USTF) helps to keep the critical energy infrastructure of Ukraine functional.

In the immediate aftermath of Russia’s invasion of Ukraine, the Energy Community answered the call for help one of its Contracting Parties, Ukraine, by establishing the Ukraine Support Task Force. The Task Force supports Ukraine in the delivery process of specialized equipment, fuels and materials needed to repair the infrastructure damaged during the war. The USTF approaches the private sector to increase the reach of the process.

The USTF builds on the expertise of the Energy Community Secretariat, with its more than fifteen years of experience in donor coordination in the energy sector and vast knowledge of the Ukrainian energy landscape and stakeholders. The USTF consists of a group of experts from the Secretariat and Ukraine.

“After more than 15 years of experience working side by side with countries in South East Europe to reform their energy sectors, crisis response is truly in the DNA of the Energy Community Secretariat. The USTF was set up as a dedicated team to support the Ukrainian energy system and provides a solid, proven software to carry out the task at hand. The Secretariat made the donation process very simple for donors. Now European companies only need to contribute with hardware.”

Artur Lorkowski, Director of the Energy Community Secretariat
OUR PARTNERS

COOPERATION WITH THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COORDINATION CENTRE (ERCC) OF THE EUROPEAN UNION

The USTF cooperates closely with the European Commission’s Emergency Response Coordination Centre and rescEU team, in the framework of the European Union Civil Protection Mechanism (UCPM), to ensure the delivery of energy-related emergency assistance. Via the ERCC, the shipment of assistance is coordinated to its final destination in Ukraine. Together with the ERCC, the USTF tracks the process, assists and coordinates each shipment at every step of the journey.

“All communities in our Member States have to step up to help Ukraine. This crisis cannot be resolved by civil protection colleagues alone. We need to work together with as many sectors as possible and energy is clearly one of them. In the cooperation that we have established with the Energy Community Secretariat, we have already mobilised massive amounts of energy equipment, spare parts and materials, and we are counting on the continued solidarity of the European community to be able to keep providing aid to Ukraine at a time of its greatest need.”

Hans Das, Director of ECHO.A - Emergency Management and rescEU

COOPERATION WITH THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY OF UKRAINE

The USTF is in daily contact with the Ministry of Energy of Ukraine to coordinate the delivery of each shipment, ensure that the list of emergency equipment needs is up-to-date, and disseminates the list of needs to key stakeholders and potential donor companies. The USTF consistently informs the Ministry of Energy of Ukraine about the upcoming and ongoing deliveries and their status, and assists each shipment until it reaches the final beneficiary in Ukraine.

“On a daily basis, my colleagues in war affected regions restore over and over electricity grids and gas supply networks. We are grateful to all our partners who provide us with the necessary equipment so we can bring electricity, heating and water to thousands of Ukrainian families faster.”

German Galushchenko, Minister of Energy of Ukraine

COOPERATION WITH THE MINISTRY OF INFRASTRUCTURE OF UKRAINE

The USTF started to provide support to shipments of emergency equipment for sectors overseen by the Ministry of Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine (Ministry of Infrastructure). The needs from the companies operating in the sector are checked and confirmed by the Ministry and provided to the USTF in an aggregated list of needs for further dissemination among potential donors.

“The Ministry of Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine is working on restoring the damaged district heating and water infrastructure. This would not be possible without a constant support of our partners. The European district heating and water sectors can contribute significantly to reach our goal of providing a stable and secure service for the Ukrainian families and businesses.”

Oleksandr Kubrakov, Deputy Prime Minister for Restoration of Ukraine; Minister for Communities, Territories and Infrastructure Development of Ukraine.
HOW THE USTF PROCESS WORKS

The USTF assists donor companies and Ukrainian authorities throughout the entire donation process. The USTF reaches out to potential donor companies and assists them with the formal submission of their donation. The European Commission will then confirm the acceptance of the donation and will coordinate the delivery of the assistance through the European Civil Protection Mechanism. This will be done with the help of a national civil protection authority or will be channelled through one of the Commission’s rescEU hubs, managed by the Polish Agency for Strategic Reserves (RARS).

The USTF is informed about the transportation through the entire route and remains in touch with the Ukrainian counterparties until the shipment is delivered to the final destination.

- The USTF sends the “urgent needs list” to the donor company.
- Based on Ukraine’s needs, the donor prepares and sends the necessary documents to the USTF, to start the logistics process.
- The USTF verifies the documents and formally submits them to the ERCC for their evaluation. If accepted, the assistance will be organized and coordinated by the ERCC, the relevant national civil protection authority or will be channeled through one of the Commission’s rescEU hubs. Co-funding of transport will be evaluated by the Commission on an ad hoc basis.
- The USTF, together with the ERCC, tracks the shipment within the EU and Ukraine.
- The USTF and the ERCC inform the Ukrainian counterparts about the ongoing shipment.
- The USTF confirms to the donor the arrival of the shipment to Ukraine.
- The USTF selectively verifies the delivery and usage of the donated equipment in Ukraine.
WHY TO DONATE VIA THE USTF PROCESS?

The USTF actively assists donor companies from the beginning to the end of the donation process.

- The USTF provides donors with the up-to-date list of items, which corresponds to Ukraine’s immediate needs.
- Donors benefit from simplified administrative procedures and support in the preparation of the required documents.
- All donations are subject to a simplified customs clearance process for humanitarian assistance ensured by the Union Civil Protection Mechanism and Ukrainian legislation.
- The ERCC, once confirmed the acceptance, coordinates the transportation of the donated equipment, and some of the transport costs can be covered by the EU budget for shipments originating from UCPM countries (EU Member States, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Iceland, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, Serbia, Türkiye, and Ukraine).
- The ERCC, UCPM national civil protection authorities, together with the Governmental Strategic Reserves Agency (RARS) of Poland and the USTF, are ready to assist with the delivery of emergency supplies arriving not only from Europe, but from locations around the world to Ukraine, via the rescEU process.
- The USTF informs the donor on the delivery status of the shipment.

G7 and Global Assistance can plug into the existing European supply system.
- Goods arriving to the continent can be taken over by the existing mechanism and forwarded to Ukraine.
- Customs process in Europe, financing of the transport within Europe and coordination with the Ukrainian counterparties can be handled by the established chain.
UKRAINE’S MOST URGENT NEEDS

ENERGY SECTOR

- Power transformers
- Voltage transformers
- Fuel and Oil
- Cars/Trucks/(Auto)loaders
- Tools
- Power generators
- Turbogenerator equipment
- Gas turbines
- Insulators
- Cables and Connectors, Wires
- Clamps, Couplings
- Circuit breakers and Disconnectors
- Surge limiters
- Relay protection and automation
- Mobile substations
- Transformer substations
- Batteries
- Fuel for engines
- Electric-welded pipes
- Steel welded flanges
- Pipes for gas & water conveyances
- Valves

DISTRIBUTION HEATING AND WATER SECTOR

- Cable clutches
- Pumps
- Frequency converters and Frequency Conversion Control Cabinets
- Pump control stations
- Boilers (solid fuel/gas/water) and Boiler houses
- (Plate) Heat exchangers and Smoke extractors
- Measuring equipment
- Water purification equipment
- Auxiliary materials and equipment for pipes (insulation, adapters, connectors, flanges)
- Automatic switchers
- Water storage tanks
- Stabilizers
- Compressors
- Angle grinders and Welding equipment
- Electric engine (various, 1.1 - 750 kW)
- Electromagnetic contactors and starters
- Bearings
“ECS did a fantastic job, together with ERCC to organize and urgently deliver the equipment donated by IOGP members to the Ukrainian energy sector. So far, our members donated over 2,150 tons of equipment and liquids in the value of EUR 2 million. Six shipments were already delivered to Ukraine. Thanks to the support of the ECS and the ERCC, the process was opened to the private sector and made simple and straightforward. We can only encourage other industries to reach out to ECS and offer urgently needed help to the Ukrainian energy sector before the winter.”

François-Régis Mouton de Lostalot-Lassalle,
Regional Director - Europe, International Association of Oil & Gas Producers
THE ENERGY COMMUNITY

The Energy Community is an international organization established in 2005 by the Treaty establishing the Energy Community, to extend the EU internal energy market to South East Europe and beyond, and to create a sustainable pan-European energy market. It serves as a vital instrument to assist countries in the EU’s neighbourhood to reform their energy markets in line with EU law and principles, and establish a stable regulatory and market framework capable of attracting investment in power generation and networks. One of its tasks is also to help coordinate support by international donor organisations, international financial institutions and bilateral donors.

Ukraine is a Contracting Party of the Energy Community since January 2011.

The Energy Community has its Secretariat in Vienna. The Ukraine Support Task Force was established within the Secretariat in March 2022.

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.
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