

The Administrative Court in Kyustendil opened the doors of the Bobov Dol thermal power plant, which is connected to the businessman Hristo Kovacki, to continue burning waste. The court confirmed the permit issued to this plant, the environmental associations Za Zemlju and Greenpeace Bulgaria announced. The decision of the court is not final and can be appealed to the Supreme Administrative Court. However, the power plant told that they will not give up on the previously announced decision not to burn RDF waste. The court's decision once again shows that the plant has never performed irregular waste incineration, reports TPP Bobov Dol.

The news about this comes only a few days after Za zemlju and Greenpeace published letters, according to which the Ministry of Environment allowed the burning of up to 500 thousand tons of waste per year for "experimental purposes".

As long as the current permit for TPP Bobov Dol is in force, the request for the cessation of waste incineration remains an empty promise, comment the two environmental organizations. They add that on social networks, people who live near the power plant post photos showing black smoke coming out of the chimney of the thermal power plant.

However, according to TPP Bobov dol, this is the result of the use of fuel oil for ignition, as precisely specified in the protocols issued by the regional inspection body RIEV, which is recorded as a normal mode of operation of the power plant in its permit.

The power plant adds that representatives of the State Agency for National Security, the Prosecutor's Office and the RIEV conducted inspections of the plant almost daily for seven days and that no violations were found.

"Bobov Dol, Pernik, Stara Zagora have been symbols of Bulgaria's energy independence for many years, and now they can transform sources and introduce a significant share of renewable energy. Waste has no place in the energy system as a fuel, but it has a serious impact on the life and health of residents and employees of the power plant, "commented Meglena Antonova from Greenpeace.

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