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## **The EU Commission approves Vattenfall's lignite business sale**

**The EU Commission on Thursday cleared the acquisition of Vattenfall's German lignite business by the Czech energy group EPH and its financial partner PPF Investments.**

The sale includes power plants Jämschwalde, Boxberg, Schwarze Pumpe, Lippendorf block R as well as open cast mines Jämschwalde, Nochten, Welzow-Süd, Reichwalde and the recently closed mine Cottbus Nord.

The ownership transfer is expected in the coming weeks.

The EU Commissions decision: [http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release\\_IP-16-3161\\_en.htm](http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-16-3161_en.htm)

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