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**IEA/SLT MEETING ON 5-6 MARCH 2007:  
Item 4: Notable Energy Development in Finland****Finland is preparing for the parliamentary elections in March**

Finland's parliamentary elections will be held on 18 March. Energy policy and climate change questions are among the most important questions for the voters. All three biggest political parties are in favour of promoting renewable energy sources as well as energy conservation.

They want also to keep the option for the construction of the 6<sup>th</sup> nuclear power plant unit open. However, the application to construct a nuclear power plant must from the power companies.

The guidelines for the future energy policy for the next four years will be decided in the new Government's Government programme.