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DTEK Grids launched a new feature on the Distribution System Operators websites



DTEK Grids launched a new feature on the websites of Distribution System Operators in Kyiv, Dnipropetrovsk, Odesa regions and the city of Kyiv that helps customers inform about discovered stork nests on the poles and the condition of birds in it. This new feature will become an important tool for protection of birds and prevention of power outages for customers due to falling of nests on the wires. The company developed it within its own environmental and educational project #EnergyWings that has already helped protect over 10,000 white storks in Ukraine.

The new feature on the DTEK Grids Distribution System Operators websites “#EnergyWings: inform about the nest” will allow customers inform about discovered nests on the poles and provide information about number and condition of birds in it. It will help energy workers quickly find out where the new nests have appeared in order to further reinforce it with special protective platforms and submit important data about the storks to the ornithologists. Reinforcement of nests allows to protect the storks from electrocution or death due to the destruction of the nest, as well as to prevent emergencies on the lines and power outages for the customers.

“Despite the war, DTEK Grids continues to develop infrastructure of the grids, using modern digital technologies and based on the sustainable development principles. Our goal is to provide Ukrainians with quality power supply services and be as environmentally friendly as possible. The new feature on the Distribution System Operators websites is a continuation of our white stork protection project #EnergyWings. According to the ecologists’ estimates, we have already helped protect more than 10,000 white storks over the past 10 years. With this new function on the DSO websites and with the help of our customers, we will be able to save more of these birds, symbolic for Ukrainians,” – underscored **DTEK Grids chief ecologist Olena Potapenko**.

In order to **inform about the discovered nest**, please:

- go to the section “#EnergyWings: inform about the nest” on the website of the Distribution System Operator of the region, where the nest was discovered (Dnipropetrovsk, Odesa, Kyiv regions or the city of Kyiv)
- press “Details” button, fill in the form and send it.

After receiving and verifying the information, energy workers will relocate the nest on the protective platform, if necessary.

Let us remind that in early July, DTEK Grids in cooperation with the Western Ukrainian Ornithological Society joined [an international project](#) of the Polish Ornithological Society (Małopolskiego Towarzystwa Ornitologicznego) on the study and protection of the white stork. Within the framework of the project, energy workers helped scientists (ornithologists) ring 40 storks in the nests on the poles. Ringing allows tracking of migration routes, impact of external factors on population in different countries of the world, number of birds returning to the country. The company took part in this international initiative in compliance with its ESG strategy and in continuation of its own environmental and educational project [#EnergyWings](#).

