

structures. In all these years, just over half of the project is finished. And before the water reservoir can be filled, there is at least a year's work to be done on the dam, there are millions of cubic metres of rock and earth to be moved. And where are they going to put the enormous quantity of timber, intended for export, whose floating has been delayed for almost two navigation seasons because of the under-capacity of "Karellesprom", and which is getting in the way of work on the station. That is the situation with the generating station.

And this is a start-up facility for the current year, listed as a "state order" in the Minénergo USSR and Gosplan USSR programme.

- They are pressing us to deliver the hydroelectric station in any form whatsoever, limited, truncated, right down to so called "dry" delivery, that is, without a water reservoir, without turbogenerators, without a dam, without buildings and without installations, - incredulously explain V. Barsukov, managing director of the builder "Sevgidrostoi", and V. Gellis, director of the Kem' GES cascade. - This is why the building and contracting crews protest against this "sham", this attempt by Minénergo to look good on paper at any cost.

Letters continue to be sent by the Kareliya CPSU Regional Committee and the Kareliya Autonomous SSR Council of Ministers to Minénergo and Gosplan, as well as other bodies, asking that ministry representatives be sent to the site, to see exactly what the situation is, to determine realistic deadlines for delivery of the works, and finally to finish with this "eternal" construction site.