

REPUBLIKA E SHQIPËRISË

ENERGY REGULATORY AUTHORITY

Board

DECISION

No. 145, Dated 28.08.2020

ON

OPENING THE PROCEDURE TO APPROVE THE "GENERAL CONDITIONS OF THE STANDARD CONTRACT FOR NATURAL GAS SUPPLY FOR THE END USE CUSTOMERS THAT BENEFIT FROM PUBLIC SERVICE SUPPLY ".

Based on article 16 and articles 75, 89, 92, 93 and 94 of Law no. 102/2015 "On Natural Gas Sector "as amended, as well as Article 26 of the "Rules on ERE organization, operation and procedures", approved with ERE Board Decision no.96, dated 17.06.2016 the Board of the Energy Regulatory Authority (E.R.E) on their 28.08.2020 meeting, after reviewing the report Protocol no. 98/4, dated 26.08.2020, prepared by the Natural Gas Directory, on opening the procedure to approve the draft that provides the general conditions of the Standard Contract for Natural Gas Supply for the end use customers that benefit from public service supply.

Observed that:

• In fulfillment of the obligations defined by Law no. 102/2015 "On Natural Gas Sector", provided in article 16, point 10, articles 92, 93, point 1 ERE approves the general conditions of supply for end use customers, including the drafting in a transparent way of the general contractual rights and obligations, in the supply service provided by Licensees in the public supply activity in Natural Gas Sector.

• The provisions of the natural gas supply contract must be fair, proportionate, clear and comprehensible and must be applied in a transparent and non-discriminatory manner.

• This regulation stipulates that natural gas supply contracts must not have obstacles to the exercise the rights of the end use customer and should not present unfair or misleading methods of sales, measurement, billing and / or payment.

• Natural gas supply contracts should not contain provisions that may prevent the customer from unilaterally terminating the contract, according to the deadlines and the terms set forth in these Rules and / or the free change of supplier according to supplier change rules, approved by ERE.

•The draft with the general conditions of the Standard Contract for Natural Gas Supply for the end use customers that benefit from public service supply, is drafted based on articles 75, 89, 92, 93, 94, of Law no. 102/2015 "On Natural Gas Sector" as amended and also Law no. 9902, dated 17.04.2008, "On

consumer protection" as amended, as well as Law no. 9887, dated 10.03.2008, "On the protection of personal data", as amended.

•The Draft of the General Conditions of the Standard Contract of natural gas supply to end use customers that benefit from the public service supply shall be consulted with the interested parties, before the approval.

For all of the above mentioned ERE Board :

Decided:

1. To open the procedure to approve the general conditions of the Standard Contract of natural gas supply to end use customers that benefit from public service supply.

2. The Legal Issues Directory shall inform the interested parties regarding ERE Board Decision.

This decision enters immediately into force.

About this decision may be required its review within 7 calendar days and may be complained on Tirana Administrative Court within 45 calendar days from the day of its publication on the Official Gazette.

This decision shall be published on the Official Gazette.

ERE CHAIRMAN

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