

### ENERGY REGULATORY AUTHORITY

### **BOARD**

#### DECISION

No.265, Dated 28.12.2020

# "ON APPROVING THE RULES ON MONITORING THE NATURAL GAS MARKET, IN ALBANIA"

Based on article 16, point 24, of Law no. 102/2015 "On Natural Gas Sector" as amended, article 16 of Law no. 43/2015 "On Power Sector", as amended, article 26 of the "Rules on ERE Organization, Operation and Procedures", approved with ERE Board Decision, no. 96, dated 17.06.2016, the Energy Regulatory Authority Board (ERE), on their meeting dated 28.12.2020, after reviewing the report Protocol no. 142/8 dated 24.12.2020 prepared by the Natural Gas Directory, "On approving the rules on monitoring the natural gas market, in Albania"

## Observed that:

- With decision no. 164 dated 22.10.2020, ERE Board decided, "To open the procedure to review the draft "Rules on monitoring the natural gas market" in Albania.
- Following this decision, publications were made on ERE official website, the announcement in the print media with ERE official letter protocol no. 62/31 dated 29.10.2020 as well as the announcement for publication in the Official Gazette with ERE official letter protocol no.68 / 37 dated 03.11.2020, published in the Official Gazette No.195, dated 11.11.2020.
- To receive the opinions of the interested parties regarding ERE Board Decision no.164, dated 22.10.2020, ERE with official letter protocol no.1161 dated 2.11.2020 addressed to the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy (MIE), Competition Authority (CA), Anio Oil & Gas "company," Phoenix Petroleum "company," Albgaz "company CGC "company," Balkgaz "company "TAP AG Albania" company, Energy Community Secretariat in order for the interested parties to express, within 30 days, their opinions and comments.
- At the end of the terms in order to give or receive opinions or proposals regarding the draft "Rules for monitoring the natural gas market", it results that the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy (MIE) with official letter protocol no. 7788/1 dated 16.12. 2020, protocolled at ERE with protocol no. 1161/2, dated 17.12.2020, expressed their agreement.

- Energy Community Secretariat, via an official email on 09.12.2020 submits some comments and questions on the articles: Article 1, point 5; Article 2, point 1, letter d); Article 2, point 3; Article 4, point 1; Article 5, point 1; Article 5, point 2; Article 10, point 2; Article 12, point 4; Article 12, point 5; Article 14; Article 20, point 1; which were reviewed in the relevant report.
- It results that there are no comments, remarks or suggestions from the other interested parties regarding the content of the draft Rules for monitoring the natural gas market for which ERE board opened the procedure.

For all of the above mentioned ERE Board,

# **Decided:**

- 1. To approve the "Rules for Monitoring the Natural Gas Market" in Albania.
- 2. The entry into force of the "Rules for Monitoring the Natural Gas Market" shall be July 1, 2021.
- 3. The Natural Gas Directory, shall inform the interested parties about 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** 

**Petrit AHMETI**