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ENERGY REGULATORY AUTHORITY

BOARD

DECISION

No. 266 Dated, 28.12.2020

“ON APPROVING THE NATURAL GAS METERING CODE“ IN ALBANIA

Based on article 4, point 33, article 104, point 1 and article 116, point 4, 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. 142/9, dated 24.12.2020 prepared by the Natural Gas Directory “On approving the natural gas metering code“ in Albania.

Observed that:

With decision no. 165 dated 22.10.2020, ERE board decided, “To open the procedure to review the draft “of the Natural Gas Metering Code ”in Albania.

Following this decision, publications were made on ERE official website, the announcement in the print media with ERE official letter protocol no. 62/32 dated 02.11.2020, 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. 165, dated 22.10.2020, ERE with official letter protocol no. 1160 dated 2.11.2020 addressed to: the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy (MIE), Competition Authority (CA); General Directorate of Metrology; Anio Oil & Gas ”company,“ Phoenix Petroleum ”company Albgaz ”company CGC ”company,“ Balkgaz ”company,“ TAP AG Albania ”company as well to the Energy Community Secretariat in order for the interested parties to express, within 30 days, their opinions and comments.

At the end of the term in order to give or receive opinions or proposals regarding the draft "Natural Gas Metering Code", it results that with official letter protocol no. 1520/1 dated 01.12.2020, protocolled at ERE with protocol no.1160 / 1 dated 09.12.2020, the General Directorate of Meteorology agrees in principle for the opening of this procedure.

Albgaz” company with official letter protocol no. 191/1 dated 16.12.2020, protocolled at ERE with protocol no.1160 / 1 dated 16.12.2020, submits the comments and opinions handled in the relevant report, which were taken into account despite the fact that term for the submission had finished due to the COVID-19 pandemic situation.

- ERE from the comments proposed by Albgaz company accepted and reflected in the Code of natural gas metering the following points in the report:

- point 2.1.2; 3.3.7; 5.1.1; General comments point3; 4; 6; Special comments point 1.4.1; 2.1.1; 2.1.2; 2.4.1; 2.7.2; 2.7.3; 2.7.5; 3.2.3; 3.3 (a); 3.4.3; 4.8; 5.1.1 ; point 30; 32; 33; 34; 35; 37.

- ERE from the comments proposed by Albgaz company did not accept the following points in the report:

- point 2.2.1; point 5.1.2 (h); general comments 2; 5: special comments point 1.5; 2.3.1; 2.5.3; 2.6.2; 2.7.4; 3.1.2; 3.2.2; 3.3.1; 3.3.3; 3.4.6; 3.5.1; 3.6.1; 3.6.2; 4.2. 1; 4.3.1; 4.3.2; 4.3.4; 4.3.6 (b); 4.6.1; 4.9.1; 5.1.4; points 36 and 38 .

- On 27.11.2020, the Energy Community Secretariat, via an official email submits comments and questions that are all reflected in the Natural Gas Metering Code which are the following points:

- It results that there are no comments, remarks or suggestions from the other interested parties regarding the content of the draft Natural Gas Metering Code with which ERE board has opened the procedure.

For all of the above mentioned ERE Board,

Decided:

1. To approve the "Natural Gas Metering Code" in Albania.
2. The entry into force of the "Natural Gas Metering Code" shall be 15 days after its publication in the Official Gazette.
3. 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

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