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On an amendment on ERE Board decision no. 187, dated 10.11.2017, “On licensing Albgaz company in natural gas distribution activity”, as amended and an amendment on ERE Board decision no. 188, dated 10.11.2017, “On licensing Albgaz company, in natural gas transmission activity”, as amended.

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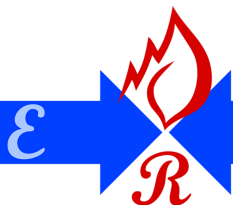
On some amendments on ERE Board decision no. 179, dated 08.11.2017, “On the certification of the “combined Operator of natural gas” Albgaz company.”, as amended.

BOARD MEETING NO. 34  
30.06.2021

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## DECISIONS

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On the modification of a license for natural gas transmission activity, issued by Trans Adriatic Pipeline AG Albania, with ERE Board decision no. 15, dated 31.01.2019, "On licensing in natural gas transmission activity, of Trans Adriatic Pipeline AG Albania, registered at the National Business Center, as a branch of the foreign joint stock (company), Trans Adriatic Pipeline AG".

On the review of the transparency program and the register of ERE requirements and responses.



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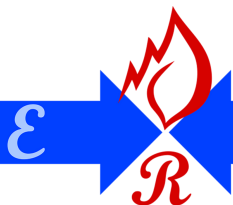
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On reviewing and approving the request of TSO company to extend the time frame, provided on point 3 of ERE Board decision no. 89, dated 31.03.2021, “On the proposal of the Transmission System Operator company., “On the Albanian Electricity Balancing Market Rules from 1 April 2021”

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On the review and approval of the FTL company request, to postpone the entry into force of ERE Board decision no. 202, dated 02.12.2020, on approving the “Regulation on the procedures of electricity sale surpluses in the irregulated market for the public company of supply”.



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BOARD MEETING NO.35  
02.07.2021

On the request of a company for mortgage movable, immovable assets in favor of Intesa Sanpaolo Bank Albania company.

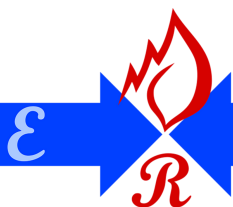
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On the review and not approve AREA request to review ERE Board decision no. 116, dated 30.04.2021, "On the request of AREA company to postpone the entry into force of ERE Board decision no. 106, dated 02.07.2020"

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On opening the procedure to review the request of TSO company to approve the transmission code.

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BOARD MEETING NO.36  
12.07.2021

On defining the electricity sale price from the supplier of last resort for June 2021.

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On issuing the authorization by ERE for the amendment of the main partner of a licensed company.

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On opening the procedure to review and approve the “Regulation on the procedures and terms for issuing the authorizations by ERE to amend the legal status of the licensee or amend the partner/shareholder that controls the interests of the licensee”.

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This regulation, which is composed by 3 parts and 13 articles, aims to define the procedure, the required documentation and the term for issuing the authorizations by ERE for the licensee in one of the power or natural gas sector activities, that submit the request for:

(i) amending the legal status;

(ii) amending the partner/shareholder that controls the interests of the licensed company, through the sale, grant, inheritance or any other availability of the quotes or the shares of the licensee;

(iii) mortgage, encumbrance, pledge, or any other availability to third parties of the shares or quotes, where by the execution of this obligation realized that the amendment of the partner / shareholder who controls the interests of the licensed company.

**Regarding the review and approval of the Regulation on the procedures and terms for issuing the authorizations by ERE for the amendment of the legal status of the licensee or amendment of the partner/shareholder that controls the interests of the licensee.**



## ERRA Liaisons' Officers Meeting 2021

On 07 July 2021 there was held by ERRA (the Energy Regulators Regional Association) the joint activity with the participation of communication officers of all members of the association. The participants from the Energy Regulator Authority, submitted the strategies used by ERE for the share of information and update of the interest groups, during COVID-19 period.

The screenshot shows a presentation slide with the following content:

- ERRA 4th Liaison Officers' meeting**
- Members' updates**  
**ERE ALBANIA**
- EDITA HOXHA  
International Affairs Policy Officer
- Recent activities**
  - Annual Report 2020 – Approved 1st of July
  - Customer Protection: Protection from discrimination of vulnerable customers, through the implementation of the legal and regulatory framework.
  - Customer survey- Launched
  - Complaints Register
  - Digital price comparison tools
  - Memorandum of cooperation ERE - Faculty of Law (UT)
  - Online Webinars
  - ERE ALBANIA NEWSLETTER
  - New Website Design
  - New Study on the consumption of electricity by household at industry consumers for 2019-2020

ERRA Online Meeting of the Liaison Officers  
July 7, 2021

## Annual report presentation

There was presented on 1 July 2021, the Annual Report of ERE at the Albanian Parliament, by the Chairman Mr. Petrit Ahmeti. On this report are submitted in details the data on the progress of the Power and Natural Gas sector for 2020, as well as the comparisons with some of the indicators for this year with the previous years.



During his speech, Mr. Ahmeti summarized the situation of this sector and ERE activity during 2020. Above all he underlined the annual activity of ERE, to guarantee the comply of the obligations of the market participants to ensure the qualitative supply with electricity, and with the lowest cost for the customers and reminded the close cooperation with the main partners to draft the primary and secondary legislation, cooperation with Energy Community Secretariat in Vienna, MIE, the Competition Authority etc. ERE target the implementation of the forth

legislative package, that of the clean package, the establishment of the Power exchange, to mitigate the effects to the end-use customers, the continuation and consolidation of the DSO unbundling process in conformity with the legal obligations and the international engagements, as well as to further develop the regulatory framework for natural gas sector.

Despite the achievements presented in the report, considering that there is still much to be done in this framework, Mr. Ahmeti at the end of his speech said that the work of ERE shall focus on issues related to the approval and implementation of the regulation on transparency and integrity of the wholesale electricity market, monitoring the implementation of the operational and organizational unbundling of OSHEE company, implementation of the strategic plan, reforms on power sector, the impact of renewable resources and the implementation of the critical infrastructure strategy.

Also Mr. Ahmeti responded to the questions of some of the Parliament members. At the end of the session by the Parliament was supported ERE activity for 2020 and was voted the Draft Resolution "FOR ASSESSING ENERGY REGULATOR AUTHORITY ACTIVITY FOR 2020" submitted by the Commission for Production Activities, Trade and Environment, together with ERE tasks for 2021.

Transmission Code is a regulatory secondary act which serves to guarantee the normal operation of the Power System of the country. This code clearly defines the borders of asset ownership and the borders for operational management between the TSO company and the users of the transmission network or the electricity market participants, shall define the norms (rules, technical standards, etc.) for the operation and development of the Transmission System in conformity with the development of the Albanian and Regional Electricity Market. This code defines the procedures for the relations between TSO company and the transmission network users / electricity market participants.

Having into consideration the importance of this document TSO company and ERE by decision no. 160 dated 02/07/2021 initiated the procedure to review and approve the Transmission Code submitted by TSO company.

The Code is composed of some chapters:

i) The Chapter of General Provisions, which provides as far as possible that the specific codes, integral part of the Transmission Code, shall operate together and shall be applied in practice.

i) The Chapter for the Planification of Transmission System which specifies and defines the norms, standards, conditions, criteria, timeframes for the planification of the transmission system development by TSO company.

ii) Chapter for the Connection of the Transmission System which specifies the conditions for the technical parameters, the procedures, rules and timeframes on non-discriminatory basis for the application of a new connection in the transmission system or modify the existing connections in this network.

iii) Chapter for the operation which aims to maintain the operational safety, the quality of frequency and efficient utilization of the interconnected system and resources, this code defines the detailed guidelines for the operation of the transmission system and especially the power system in general.

iv) Chapter of the Emergences and Restauration which serves to maintain the operational safety and the prevention of an incident in a wide scale and complete collapse of the system, as well as to allow the fast and efficient return in the normal status of the system from the alarm status or the black-out.

The chapter for the market operation and the metering rules which contain the general rules on the issues that relate to the operation of the Market Operator, the market operation as well as the relation between the Market Operator and the TSO, DSO and transmission network users.

# TRANSMISSION CODE



The New Transmission Code, revised the respective procedures for the application for the connection with the system to clarify the required documentation and the steps and terms from the application for connection to the energization and the initiation of operation for the producers. There are also reflected and included the new provisions, the obligations according to Council of Minister Decisions no. 482 and 483, dated 17.06.2020 regarding: The devices and materials; the specifications for the private companies of the electricity transmission and distribution installations: the documentation and operation of high voltage electricity installations, in the ownership of electricity production, transmission and distribution companies; the maintenance, periodic controls and inspections of high voltage installations, in the ownership of electricity transmission and distribution companies: the operation and maintenance of private high voltage installations, which are part of the electricity transmission or distribution plants; the documentation, utilization and the maintenance of the lines and periodic inspections of the lines.

The New Transmission Code also reviewed the Chapter regarding the System Operation based on the EU Commission Regulation 2017/1485, 2 August 2017, on defining the "Guideline for the Operation of Electricity Transmission System" This part of the code shall set harmonized rules for the TSO company and the users to guarantee the security of the system, the availability, the exchange of the data, integrity of renewable resources, the efficient use of the network, increase of competition and the benefit from the customers.

In contrast to the current code, which is approved with ERE Board Decision no. 186/2017, as amended with 129/2018, the new draft of the Transmission Code proposed by the TSO, has specific rules which handle the issues regarding the Emergency Conditions and the Reset of the System, which are based on the EU Commission Regulation 2017/2196, 24 November 2017, on defining the "Network Code of Electricity Emergences". The provisions of this part of the code shall define the procedures and actions that shall specifically perform in emergency situations, of black-out and the reset which are drafted as a joint group of minimum technical principles and requirements having into consideration the taken of prevention or improvement measures on operation conditions synchronous with the European network.

At the new draft of the Transmission Code there are reviewed the rules regarding the Market Operation and the Metering Rules with a specific focus on this last one mentioned. This part of the code handles the operation of the Market Operator, the market operation, as well as the relation between the Market Operator and the TSO company, the DSO company, and the users of the transmission system.

At the same time the metering rules included on the draft code (including the metering, the metering system and the metering activity) shall define the rights and obligations of the TSO company, the transmission system users as well as market participants. These rules are necessary even for the fact that the metering code approved with ERE Board Decision no. 101, dated 26/08/2008, has a long time without being reviewed.

## Complaints Register

The database published on the web regarding the complaints of electricity customers, has been recently updated with the complaints and customer data, up to the second week of June 2021.

Complaints addressed at ERE can be traced based on the method that is used by ERE to handle these complaints or by receiving a response from the licensee against whom the complaint has been filed. Follow the link below for the Complaints Register.

<https://ere.gov.al/sq/transparenca/rregjistri-i-kerkesave-dhe-pergjigjeve>



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## CUSTOMER SURVEY

In order to improve the service provided by the institution, the Energy Regulatory Authority invites you to complete the following survey in the link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1AQwkqz8R7UpDyRWBduLmlHaXm0gqW17pzlLWBZrswQg/viewform?edit\\_requested=true](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1AQwkqz8R7UpDyRWBduLmlHaXm0gqW17pzlLWBZrswQg/viewform?edit_requested=true)



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## INFORMATION

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ERE Board Decisions:

<https://ere.gov.al/en/articles/publications/border-decisions>

ERE Annual Report:

<https://ere.gov.al/en/publications/annual-reports>

Announcements:

<https://ere.gov.al/en/publications/announcements>

Regulation on Licensing Procedures:

<https://ere.gov.al/en/licensing/licensing-regulations>

Tariff Methodologies::

<https://ere.gov.al/en/tariffs/tariff-methodologies>