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## During January, ERE Board held 5 meetings, resulting in 42 decisions, including:

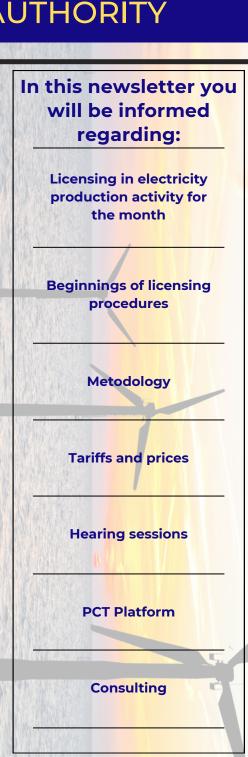
1.The licensing of "ZENINA" company, "Sunny Side Energy" company, "Samasol" company, "Rebesol" company, and "3AD Energy" company in electricity production activity, "DESLA" company in electricity production and trading activity; as well as "MET Albania" company in electricity trading and supply activity.

2.Opening the procedure to license:

- "EB ENERGY" company, "GREEN PLUS ENERGY" company, "GRABOVA HYDROPOWER" company in electricity production activity;
- "VOLTON" company in electricity trading activity.
- Opening the procedure to renew the license of "GEGA-G" company in electricity trading activity, issued with ERE Board decision no.64, dated 08.04.2020.

3.Regarding various requests from the licensees:

- On opening the procedure to review the request of "5GX ENERGY" company obtaining authorization from ERE for the transfer (through the establishment of a security interest) of the fixed assets created or to be created by "5GX ENERGY" company as a means to guarantee the repayment of the obligation to "TIRANA BANK" company
- The issuance of the Guarantee of Origin for the electricity produced by "Blue 1" photovoltaic park, of "SPV BLUE 1" company for 01 – 31 October 2024 period, for the amount of 847.6 MWh.



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### Regarding the determination of tariffs and prices for regulated activities:

- 1. The review of the request submitted by the Universal Service Supplier company regarding the change in the electricity price for household customers, as well as the re-evaluation of the costs of FSHU company that determine this price starting from February 1, 2025, and the determination of the retail electricity sale price for the period from February 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025, for customers supplied under universal service conditions as follows:
  - For household customers who use less than 700 kWh per month 8.5 ALL/kWh excluding VAT.
  - For household customers who consume 701 kWh per month and above 9.5 ALL/kWh excluding VAT for the entire amount consumed, starting from the first kilowatt.

2.The approval of the electricity sale price supplied by the Supplier of Last Resort for December 2024, of about 18.77 ALL/kWh for customers connected at the 35kV voltage level.

### Other decisions such as:

- 1. Opening the procedure for some amendments in the regulation on cyber security of critical infrastructures in the power sector.
- 2. Regarding the calculation of the financial support that subjects applying for a license to exercise in electricity trading and/or supply activities must document at ERE. ERE has established the requirement to document the financial support capacity for at least one month of operations, based on the monthly price of the Day-Ahead Market of the Albanian Power Exchange (ALPEX) corresponding to the month prior to the application date.

3. The acceptance of the request from "GEN-I Tirana" company to review ERE Board decision no. 241, dated 15.11.2024, and opening the administrative procedure to review several proposals for amendments in "Imposing the public obligation of electricity supply bids from the licensees in the supply activity in the free market".



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Hearing session regarding the discussion on the proposal submitted by GEN-I company for the review of ERE Board decision No. 241 dated 14.11.2024 on"Imposing the public obligation of electricity supply bids from the licensees in the supply activity in the free market".

On 29.01.2025, a hearing session was held at ERE premises with the purpose of discussing the proposal submitted by GEN-I company for the review of ERE Board decision No. 241 dated 14.11.2024, on "Imposing the public obligation of electricity supply bids from the licensees in the supply activity in the free market" according to which licensees in the supply activity in the free market are obligated to publish supply bids and specify the validity periods for each published bid, starting from 02.12.2024.

The session was attended by representatives of KESH company, AEES – the Albanian Association of Electricity Suppliers, FTL company, the Consumer Protection Agency, as well as several suppliers currently operating in the free market. The parties discussed GEN-I proposal regarding the obligation to publish electricity supply bids only by licensees in the supply activity who supply households and micro-enterprises with an annual consumption of less than 100,000 kWh in the PCT, as well as the exemption of suppliers that supply customers connected to medium and high voltage from the obligation to publish bids on the Electricity Price Comparison Platform.

During January, 7 hearing sessions were also held, with customers as well as licensees, with the aim of clarifying the necessary details for resolving the respective complaints, continuing the licensing process of the subject in question, and with licensed subjects in order to clarify and discuss the missing documentation for the application to modify the license in electricity production and trading activity.

By browsing our official website <u>www.ere.gov.al</u> you can access the updated registers of licensing of subjects, guarantees of origin, and complaints, as well as the tariffs and prices approved by ERE. Additionally, in accordance with Law no. 43/2015 "On Power Sector," article 19, letter k), quarterly data website. ( the operation of the electricity market are published on the on https://www.ere.gov.al/sq/tregu-i-energjise/raporte-dhe-te-dhena-te-tregut-te-energjise-elektrike)

For more detailed information about these and other decisions, please visit our official website at <u>www.ere.gov.al</u> in the "Decisions" category.

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#### Consultings

In January, ERE initiated a consultation on "Regarding some amendments to the draft agreement for the purchase of electricity between the Free Market Supplier company and priority producers of electricity." Interested parties can find the proposed amendments published at the following

link:https://ere.gov.al/sq/pub likime/konsultime/vendimnr-302-date-30-12-2024-mbishqyrtimin-e-propozimit-teftl-sh-a-per-draftmarreveshjen-per-blerjen-eenergjise-elektrike-ndermjetfurnizuesit-te-tregut-te-liresh-a-dhe-prodhuesve-meperparesi-te-energjise and are encouraged to submit their opinions to the address erealb@ere.gov.al within 20 working days from the publication date.

Notification for Customers in the free market Regarding the supply through the "Supplier of Last Resort" and the use of the Price Comparison Platform (PCT).

We also remind you that all customers who meet the criteria to move to the free market and who have not been able to contract a supplier on their own or have lost their supplier, can benefit from the supply through the "Supplier of Last Resort". This is a designated supplier in accordance with the provisions of the law on Power Sector, offering a regulated supply service for a limited period (60 days). The right to choose and change the supplier free of charge is guaranteed by law. We invite you to browse the Price Comparison Tool (PCT) platform, established by ERE. at https://pct.ere.gov.al/ where you can search for and find the best supply offers for your category.



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