

Press Release

Based on the media reports, on a complaint by GEN-I Tirana company regarding the implementation of electricity sale-purchase procedures for 2017, for January-March 2018 period and the request by GEN-I Tirana company for the investigation extension regarding the exclusive contracts of KESH company for 2017 and 2018, the Energy Regulatory Authority clarifies:

On 10.04.2018, in a complaint addressed at ERE and for the information of the Energy Community Secretariat and the Competition Authority, GEN-I company claimed that in the procedures for the sale-purchase of electricity and portfolio optimization carried out by KESH company, irregularities were found in the way these procedures were carried out.

In accordance with Article 20, letters e), d), f), g) and Article 22 of Law No. 43/2015 “On Power Sector”, as amended, ERE requested from KESH company an analysis of the complaint and claims of GEN-I Tirana company as well as to inform ERE on the requested information from GEN-I Tirana company.

KESH company submitted at ERE detailed information regarding the claims of GEN-I Tirana company.

Following the information obtained from KESH company and in accordance with the legal and regulatory provisions in force, ERE exercised monitoring at the company in question with the subject: “Complaint of GEN-I Tirana company on the implementation of the electricity sale-purchase procedures carried out by KESH company for 2017 and January-March 2018 period” according to a monitoring program consulted also with the Energy Community Secretariat in Vienna, to which the report from the KESH monitoring process regarding the complaint of “GEN-I Tirana” company has been made available. The same documentation, on November 21, 2018, was also made available to the Competition Authority, which, following communications between our institutions, with official letter Protocol no. 601/2 dated 08.11.2018, requested from ERE the provision of the Monitoring Report carried out in relation to the tendering procedures that KESH company has established during 2017 and 2018.

Regarding the preliminary results of the monitoring report submitted to the Energy Community Secretariat and the Competition Authority, we inform you that from the monitoring process carried out for KESH company results that the electricity sale-purchase procedures carried out by the latter for 2017-2018 period are in accordance with the provisions of the regulations approved by ERE Board.

ERE Board, in the decision it is expected to approve on the monitoring report submitted for review and approval by the working group, shall have the opportunity to provide detailed data on the monitoring process.

The monitoring group also proposes that KESH company establishes electricity trading procedures through an electronic platform, which would avoid claims of the nature of the complaint, subject to monitoring.