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PRESS RELEASE

XIIIth Session of ERO Board

The Board of Energy Regulatory Office (ERO), in its 13th session, held on 14 and 15 December 2016, decided to open a public consultation on Draft-Guidelines for Liberalization of Electricity Market. These Draft-Guidelines shall define the manner, criteria and timing of electricity market opening in Kosovo, at electricity Generation and Supply level. The defining of criteria for these Guidelines shall serve to support the amendment and supplement of secondary legislation, as a result of approval of new energy laws, which are in accordance with third package of European Union directives. Due to the importance of this process and its impact to customers and all parties involved in the energy sector, the Board considered necessary the opening of a public consultation on this process.

Also, in this session, the Board reviewed the reports of regular monitorings of electricity operators in the country (KEK, KOSTT, KEDS, KESCO and KELKOS). These final monitoring reports shall be published on ERO's official website and all recommendations shall be handled in the next Board sessions and during regular Periodic Tariff Review.

As part of inspection process for KEDS planned maintenance, Inspection Report on KEDS Maintenance for October-November 2016 was presented to the Board from the Working Group, which ascertained many serious irregularities. Following the discussions, with approval of the Board, KEDS was provided the possibility to submit its written responses regarding these irregularities, recorded by ERO team during the inspection. With respect to irregularities of KEDS planned maintenance, the Board agreed to continue with inspection procedures and, following the completion of all analysis, decide thereafter on legal measures. Also, the Board decided that the precursory measure for prevention of outages for the purpose of planned maintenance shall remain in force until the next Decision of the Board.

The Board decided on issuance of two (2) Final Authorizations for construction of new generation capacities from renewable energy sources, namely water, with an installed capacity of 0.31 MW and 4.7 MW, to N.N "DILLI-COM" Company and "EUROKOS JH" LLC, in Municipality of Dragash.

As part of the agenda of this session, the annual and long-term Balances of electricity and thermal energy were also reviewed, whose approval was postponed to the next session, with the purpose of clarifying some data submitted by energy system operators.



Also, the Board reviewed two (2) customer complaints and other regulatory and administrative issues of Energy Regulatory Office.

The following materials shall be published on ERO's official website www.ero-ks.org

- Draft-Guidelines for Electricity Market Liberalization;
- Monitoring Reports of Capital Investments and Operational Expenses of KEK, KOSTT, KEDS, KESCO for the period 2013-2015;
- Monitoring Report on Provision of Customer Services from KEDS and KESCO for the period January 2015 – June 2016;
- Report from the Monitoring of “KELKOS ENERGY” LLC.