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Naim Bejtullahu member of ERO Board presented to the public the aim of the Rule. Mr. Bejtullahu said that the Rule on General Conditions of Energy Supply is one of the Rulers that are issued as an obligation from the Primary Legislation, and having for objective the regulation of the Energy Sector in Kosovo. The aim of this particular Rule, according to Mr. Bejtullahu is the

regulation of the relations between the energy activities (Generation, Transmission, Distribution, and Supply), and from the other side also to help in creation of good relations between this operators and the costumers. He said that this is one of the basic secondary Legislation, in correlation with all the rules so far adopted by the Energy Regulatory Office (ERO).

The presentation of the Rule was done by **Driton Gojani**, Power System Analyst in ERO; he explained that this presentation contains in short points the Rule on General Conditions of Energy Supply. He stressed that according to the Article 58.7 of the Law on Energy Regulator, ERO has the right to prepare and to approve this Rule. As he explained, the provisions of this Rule are applicable for the energy enterprises which offer energy services and perform the energy supply service as a public supply obligation, and also for the last costumer who are the users of these services. Further more he explained the Terms and the Conditions, Principles of the Connection in the System and the usage of the system, terms and the conditions of the supply contract.

This rule is published on ERO website. After Mr. Gojani finished the presentation Mr. Bejtullahu presented the most important comments that were received till now and explained to the public that they can still sent their comments for another three weeks. He also asked from the public if they wanted to give any comment or suggestion for the rule.

Comments on Draft Rule on General Conditions of Energy Supply:

Comment: by Hajrullah Shehu, representative of MEM asked if this Rule has foreseen the procedures for initiation, by the investor, of investments in renewable energy.

Answer by Naim Bejtullahu was that: The Rule on General Conditions of Energy Supply, regarding the connection of the generators from renewable sources of energy and the use of the distribution system regulates these relations. But also based in other technical codes in which this rule is based on .While the encouragement for such investments is also regulated or is based on ERO rules which have been so far adopted, such as the Rule on Licensing and also Rule on Authorisation which will be soon adopted. And another important role is the one of MEM which foresees such kind of investments in its strategy on Renewable sources.

Comment by Bashkim Gjurgjala, from KEK, was on the metering issues, he asked how it should be solved the issue of differences on metering of energy in the Generation Unite and at the meter at the Transmission division. And this is also the issue in DH sector.

Answer by Naim Bejtullahu informed the public that the Draft Market Rule is prepared by ERO with the support of its consultants, and this rule has a special chapter on the issue of metering, and according to this chapter it is required that metering should be of a very sophisticated level. He also added that there are requirements that drive from the primary legislation and all the secondary legislation so far adopted by ERO, to develop the Transmission and Distribution Code, and Metering Code. According to Mr Bejtullahu this acts will determine all the elements and procedures for maintenance of the energy equipments and for the procedures for meter reading. This also deals with the doubt of the involved parties in relation to the accuracy of metering. Apart from the commercial meters installed in accordance to this rules it will be the obligation to install also the checking meters. in eventual disputes or discrepancies will appear in relation to the accuracy of meters, there is also the rule which will solve the disputes between the parties, and this rule is the Rule on Dispute Settlement Procedures, and it is issued and adopted by ERO.

Comment by Luixh Sereqi, KEK distribution, on Chapter 5 of the Rule, he suggested to expand this chapter because according to him there are cases when the meter reading in the costumers property, is impossible, like the cases when the owner does not allow the KEK worker to read the meter, and many times this costumers are misusing the meter. He suggested that in this cases to be installed another meter on the supplying cable.

Answer by Naim Bejtullahu was that the Rule on General Conditions of Energy Supply must be considered in close relation with the Rule on Disconnection. As he said in this rule there is a chapter which in principle treats the misuses or the theft of the meter, but in more details this issues are explained in the Rule on Disconnection. As Mr. Bejtullahu explained, based on the principles of the Rule on Disconnection it is requested by the system operator to develop a methodology for the measurements of energy in cases when this energy has been theft, tampered or the meter have been corrupted. Mr. Bejtullahu explained that ERO has sent a request to KEK for implementing the approved rule and ERO has also asked KEK to propose a methodology which will be reviewed and approved by ERO. This methodology will be an integral part of the secondary legislation and will be implemented.

Comment by Skender Nitaj, MEM, asked on the issue of disconnection, because according to him while there is the procedure for supply and connection it should be also the procedure when the costumer wants to be disconnected.

Answer by Naim Bejtullahu was that this is defined on the Rule on Disconnection. And the procedure is much simple than the procedure for connection. He repeated once more that this rules are much related to each other.

While there were no more comments by the public the PH was closed and it was announced that the dead line for submitting the comments on the Rule is 3 weeks. Once more Mr. Bejtullahu appreciated the very valuable comments received by KEK.