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#### **A INTRODUCTION**

This Domain Protocol describes how the EECS Standard has been implemented in a certain Domain (country/region) for a certain type of energy certificate and it indicates where that system deviates from that standard. The EECS framework including the Domain Protocol aims to ensure robustness and transparency for all parties involved.

A Domain Protocol promotes quality and clarity, as it:

- explains local rules;
- provides clear information to all stakeholders (consumers, market parties, other members, government, the EU Commission etc.);
- facilitates assessment of compliance and permissible deviation from the EECS Rules;
- facilitates audit; and
- translates local rules into a single format and language, supporting each of the above.

Important contact information is provided in Annex 1.

#### **B** GENERAL

### B.1 Scope

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

	A11.1.1	C3.1.1	E6.2.1a	E6.3.1	E6.3.2	N2.1.1	02.1.1	
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- B.1.1 This Domain Protocol sets out the procedures, rights, and obligations, which apply to the Domain of the Czech Republic and relate to the EECS Electricity Scheme as defined in the EECS Rules.
- B.1.2 Production Device qualification for this Domain will be determined such that, the Production Device is effectively located in Czech Republic.
- B.1.3 OTE, a.s., based on § 20a, (4), x) of the Energy Act No. 458/2000, is authorised to Issue EECS Certificates relating to the following EECS Product(s):
  - EECS Electricity GOs
- B.1.4 OTE, a.s., is authorised to Issue EECS Certificates relating to the following EECS Product Type(s):
  - Source
- B.1.5 OTE, a.s., is authorised to Issue EECS Certificates relating to the following Energy Carriers: electricity, and the following energy sources: renewable, fossil and nuclear energy sources including biomass. Certificates are issued for electricity injected into the transmission or distribution system for the following types: solid biomass, liquid biomass, biogas, landfill and sewage gas, geothermal energy, wind, solar, hydropower, nuclear, natural gas, oil and oil products and coal.

The life cycle rules are the same for RES and non-RES GOs.





B.1.6 OTE, a.s., is authorised to Issue the following types of energy certificates outside of the EECS Framework: national GOs for heating. The handling of all processes is the same for non-EECS certificates and for EECS certificates. All parts of this Domain Protocol also apply for these non-EECS certificates.

### **B.2** Status and Interpretation

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

E6.2.1d	E6.2.4	E6.3.1	E6.3.4

- B.2.1 This document refers to EECS Rules 8 version 1.2. It is based on the Domain Protocol template release from January 2023.
- B.2.2 The EECS Rules are subsidiary and supplementary to national legislation.
- B.2.3 The EECS Rules and its subsidiary documents are implemented in Czech Republic in the manner described in this Domain Protocol. Any deviations from the provisions of the EECS Rules that may have material effect are set out in section C.7 of this document.
- B.2.4 The capitalised terms used in this Domain Protocol shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the <u>EECS Rules</u> except as stated in section C.7 of this document.
- B.2.5 This Domain Protocol is made contractually binding between any EECS Participant and OTE, a.s., by agreement in the form of the Standard Terms and Conditions.
- B.2.6 In the event of a dispute, the approved English version of this Domain Protocol will take precedence over a local language version.

#### **B.3** Roles and Responsibilities

A11.1.1	C3.1.1	E4.2.2	E6.2.1c	Н

- B.3.1 The Authorised Issuing Body for EECS Electricity GOs in Czech Republic is OTE, a.s. Its role is to administer the EECS GO Registration Database and its interface with the EECS Transfer System. The prices or tariffs for these services, charged by OTE as per legislation (§ 45a, (6) of the Act No. 165/2012 Coll. of the subsidised energy sources), can be found on OTE website:

  <a href="https://www.ote-cr.cz/en/gos\_and\_allowances/guarantees-of-origin/important-information?set\_language=en">https://www.ote-cr.cz/en/gos\_and\_allowances/guarantees-of-origin/important-information?set\_language=en</a>
- B.3.2 The Competent Authority for EECS Electricity GOs in Czech Republic is OTE, a.s. Its role is defined by legislation to be responsible for the operation of EECS Electricity GOs in Czech Republic (§ 20a, (4), x) of the Energy Act No. 458/2000).
- B.3.3 The Authorised Measurement Bodies are the network operators, who are:
  - ČEPS, a.s. (Electricity Transmission System Operator; website: http://www.ceps.cz)





- ČEZ Distribuce, a.s. (Regional Distribution System Operator; website: http://www.cezdistribuce.cz)
- E.ON Distribuce, a.s. (Regional Distribution System Operator; website: http://www.eon-distribuce.cz)
- PRE Distribuce, a.s. (Regional Distribution System Operator; website: http://www.predistribuce.cz)
- and many local Distribution System Operators (the list of the local operators is available on the website: <a href="http://licence.eru.cz/index.php">http://licence.eru.cz/index.php</a> (Czech version only)).

These bodies are established under national regulation to be responsible for the collection and validation of measured volumes of energy used in the national financial settlement processes. Meters of net injection and consumption of each Production Device are the property of relevant Authorised Measurement Body. All on-site meters have to be inspected and calibrated periodically (to meet the required CE standards). Every meter has to be completely changed for a new meter no later than after 5 years. Net injection and consumption meter readings are electronic, data is automatically sent to the Authorised Measurement Body which, after verification, sends them to the EECS GO Registration Database (either online or within the first 5 working days of each month, depending on the Production Device size).

- B.3.4 The Production Auditor for EECS Electricity GOs in Czech Republic is SEI (State Energy Inspection) who verifies the data of Production Devices under its rights of inspections within the process of the Production Device registration executed by OTE, a.s. SEI verifies production data stated in the Production Declaration of individual Producers. In executing those operations SEI acts as Production Auditor according to the EECS Rules.
  - SEI as Production Auditor acts only on instructions of OTE, a.s. SEI is not actively participating in the process of production device registration or audit of production device.
  - The web site of SEI is available on: http://www.cr-sei.cz
- B.3.5 The Production Registrars for EECS Electricity GOs in Czech Republic is OTE, a.s., together with the Authorised Measurement Bodies, who verify and send to OTE some of the information required on Production Device registration.
- B.3.6 Contact details for the principal roles and Issuing Body agents are given in Annex 1.
- B.3.7 The EECS GO Registration Database including the central registry of Production Devices is operated by OTE, a.s., and can be accessed in CS OTE via the website: <a href="https://portal.ote-cr.cz">https://portal.ote-cr.cz</a>. The EECS GO Registration Database operated by OTE, a.s., is a tailor-made, web-based solution, provided as a package by its external software supplier Sféra, a.s.

#### **B.4** Summary: Issuance scope

B.4.1 In summary, OTE, a.s., has been authorised to Issue the following types of energy certificates:





Issuing Body issues certificates for Electricity			Electricity – Product Type		
	Energy Source	Source	Technology (= High-Efficiency Cogeneration)		
	Wind	Х			
	Solar	Х			
	Geothermal	Х			
	Hydro	Х			
EECS GO	Biomass	Х			
	Landfill and sewage gas	Х			
	Biogas	Х			
	Nuclear	Х			
	Fossil	Х			
National GO (non-EECS*) for heating	Renewable sources and Nuclear sources	х			
EECS Support Certificate	none				
EECS Target Certificate	none				
EECS NGC (name)	none				
National certificate other than GO (non-EECS*)	none				

(\*) Non-EECS certificates may not be transferred over the AIB hub.

### C OVERVIEW OF NATIONAL LEGAL AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORK

### C.1 Energy Market context for electricity and gases in Czech Republic

The Czech electricity market has been unbundled and split in accordance with EU energy regulations into generation, transmission, distribution and supply to end-consumers segments. Accordingly, sales to end-consumers have been liberalised whilst access to transmission and distribution grids remains regulated.





#### C.2 The EECS Framework

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

D3.1.2	E6.2.1b	E6.2.1d	N8	0.10

C.2.1 For this Domain, the relevant local enabling legislation is as follows:

The Guarantees of Origin and their issuance are legislatively implemented in Act No. 165/2012 Coll. of the subsidised energy sources. The secondary legislation related to this Act is Decree No. 328/2022 Coll., on Guarantees of Origin of energy, issued by the Ministry of Industry and Trade of the Czech Republic.

Act No. 165/2012 Coll. can be found at the link (Czech version only): https://www.zakonyprolidi.cz/cs/2012-165.

The related executive Decree No. 328/2022 Coll. can be found at the link (Czech version only): <a href="https://www.zakonyprolidi.cz/cs/2022-328">https://www.zakonyprolidi.cz/cs/2022-328</a>. An unofficial translation of the decree is included in Annex 6.

Please note that all translations are non-binding, and OTE, a.s., assumes no liability or responsibility whatsoever for the accuracy, correctness or completeness of the texts. For a legally binding version, please consult the relevant Ministry or Energy Regulatory Office.

C.2.2 OTE, a.s., has been properly appointed as an Authorised Issuing Body for EECS Electricity GOs in Czech Republic under § 20a, (4), x) of the Energy Act No. 458/2000 (Czech version only: https://www.zakonyprolidi.cz/cs/2000-458#f4308106).

#### **C.3** National Energy Source Disclosure

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

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	E3.3.14		

- C.3.1 For this Domain, the authorised body for supervision of Disclosure of the origin of energy towards consumers is the Czech Energy Regulatory Office. This body is responsible for supervision of disclosure of the origin of the following Energy Carriers: electricity.
- C.3.2 The main legislative norm of the Domain of Czech Republic related to national electricity source disclosure is the Decree no. 207/2021 Coll. on the billing for supply.

The decree can be found at the link (Czech version only): https://www.zakonyprolidi.cz/cs/2021-207

Additional details to national electricity source disclosure are further specified in the OTE, a.s. Business Terms for the electricity sector which can be found at the link: <a href="https://www.ote-cr.cz/en/registration-and-agreements/electricity-agreements/business-terms">https://www.ote-cr.cz/en/registration-and-agreements/electricity-agreements/business-terms</a>

In accordance with the Act No. 458/2000 Coll. trading electricity in the Czech Republic is only permitted to holders of a license to trade electricity issued by the Energy Regulatory Office. All license holders are obliged to register at OTE, a.s. Registration is tied to entering into a





contract with OTE, a.s. The OTE Business Terms are an inseparable part of this contract between market participants and OTE, a.s.

C.3.3 The obligation for disclosure is specified by Energetický regulační úřad (Czech Energy Regulatory Office, ERU). In accordance with the Decree no. 207/2021 Coll. every supplier is obliged to disclose annually the composition of the energy mix delivered to their end consumers from the previous year, within 15 days after receiving necessary data from the relevant Distribution System Operator. The disclosure information shall be included in every regular invoice.

Additional details of the national electricity source disclosure are further specified in OTE, a.s. Business Terms for the electricity sectors. For the purpose of the supplier's obligations set out in the Decree no. 207/2021 Coll. on the billing for supply, OTE, a.s., establishes the national residual mix. Information from the national residual mix is used by the supplier for the purpose of determining the share of individual energy sources in its overall mix of energy sources and publishing such information on the document (bill) pursuant to the abovementioned Decree.

The general national energy mix, thenation wide share of electricity produced from any specific source in the energy mix of the electricity supply can only be changed (increased) by the supplier by Cancelling GOs of electricity in respect of that source.

- C.3.4 The methodology of the residual mix calculation is as follows: OTE, a.s., uses the results of AIB residual mix calculations. Therefore, the AIB methodology is followed.
- C.3.5 In Czech Republic the only purpose to issue EECS GO Certificates is their use for disclosure.
- C.3.6 Cancellation for usage in another Domain (i.e., Ex Domain Cancellations) are allowed only towards consumption in countries (domains) outside AIB.

#### C.4 National Public Support Schemes

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

None directly		
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The fundamental legislative standard concerning support of electricity production from renewable sources of energy is Act No. 165/2012 Coll. This Act provides a framework mainly for the support of the production of electricity, heat and biomethane from renewable energy sources, and another framework for the support of secondary energy sources and highly efficient cogeneration.

In practice, production of electricity from renewable sources is supported in the Czech Republic by means of feed-in tariffs and so-called 'green bonuses'. A green bonus is a price premium: the producers can sell their production output on the market and can receive the market price and are supported by reception of green bonuses. The value of green bonuses correlates to the spot market prices (in the case of Czech Republic to Day Ahead Market prices operated by OTE, a.s.) The support system is required to include all Production Devices from renewable sources with an installed capacity of more than 100 kW, all hydropower Production Devices more than 10 kW of installed capacity and all Production Devices with a combustion of renewable and non-renewable resources





up to 100 kW of installed capacity. The other producers can choose between a form of a green bonus and the alternative form of feed-in tariffs.

Support in the form of a feed-in tariff means that the entire output of the Production Device is purchased by a buyer on an obligatory basis. The buyer pays a certain fixed price to the producer. A support regime of this type can be chosen by the producers of hydro power devices up to 10 kW of installed capacity and other renewable sources with an installed capacity up to 100 kW. If the hourly Day Ahead market price is higher than the value of the feed-in tariff, the buyer shall pay the price difference to the Day Ahead Market Operator (OTE, a.s.) and vice-versa, if the hourly Day Ahead market price is lower than the feed in tariff, then OTE, a.s. as Day Ahead market operator shall pay the difference to the buyer, who has already paid the producer.

OTE, a.s. is in this model in the central position for the payment of green bonuses and for the settlement of the price differences between feed-in tariffs and Day Ahead market prices. OTE, a.s. also exercises settlement and clearing of the components of amounts for electricity transmission and distribution fees towards transmission and distribution system operators to cover the costs incurred in support of electricity of renewable sources.

The framework for the support scheme of electricity production from renewable sources and electricity source disclosure in Czech Republic is covered in the only legal document, in the Act No. 165/2012 Coll. of the subsidised energy sources.

In the meaning of the Act, the disclosure model and support scheme are not closely related and except for the Production Device registration shall be executed separately.

#### C.5 EECS Product Rules

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

E6.2.1f E6	6.2.1g		
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C.5.1 The EECS Product Rules as applied in Czech Republic are set out within sections Registration and Certificate Systems Administration of this document.

#### C.6 Non-EECS certificates in the Domain

OTE, a.s., is authorised to issue non-EECS national GOs for heating. The handling of all processes is the same for such non-EECS certificates and for EECS certificates.

#### C.7 Local Deviations from the EECS Rules

None.

#### D REGISTRATION

The EECS GO Registration Database is an information system, which assists with keeping an administration of EECS GO certificates in electronic form only with the possibility of remote access for an Account Holder.





The administrator and operator of the EECS GO Registration Database is OTE, a.s.

The EECS GO Registration Database is available on a secure webpage: <a href="https://portal.ote-cr.cz">https://portal.ote-cr.cz</a>

The EECS GO Registration Database is a part of a central system OTE, a.s. (CS OTE). Secure access to CS OTE is safeguarded by using an access certificate (for authentication) and a signature certificate (for digital signing of transactions) in order to secure messages sent between a CS OTE user and OTE, a.s. to the extent that:

- it is not possible to change the contents of the message unobserved;
- the content of the message is undecipherable for an unauthorized person,
- identities of both communication parties are verified,
- the sender of a message is forbidden to deny that he/she is the author and sender of that message.

Access to the CS OTE via user interface is safeguarded through security features with certificates issued by an internal certification authority, in order to ensure digital signature, authentication and secure communication with CS OTE. The procedure of the establishment of a security certificate and its indispensable requirements is published on the website of OTE, a.s.

Access of the CS OTE user to CS OTE is restricted by the scope of user rights defined for given security certificate.

The Account Holder shall keep the list of the CS OTE users, authorized to access the system on its behalf, updated. OTE, a.s. is not liable for any damage arising from implication of that list not updated by Account Holder.

The Account Holder is fully responsible for administration of issued security certificates and their renewal under the agreement with the external certification authority. The authorized person shall register its public key certificate in CS OTE. The detailed procedure, including the security certificate export, is published on the website of OTE, a.s.

The validity of digital security certificates issued by the external certification authority is governed by the terms of the agreement entered into with the respective certification authority. Security certificate renewal is the responsibility of Account Holder. The Account Holder or authorized person shall ensure the renewal prior to the expiry of the existing security certificate, following a procedure described on OTE's website.

For the avoidance of doubt, the internal certification authority is named OTECA and is provided by OTE. The external certification authorities are Czech or international companies whose certificates meet OTE security requirements, and their certificates are acceptable to system OTE.

EECS GO certificates are registered in the EECS GO Registration Database on accounts which were made for this purpose. Every account is marked with a unique number within the European interconnected registries of GO.

### D.1 Registration of an Account Holder

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A registered market participant, who is a holder of licence for electricity trading issued in Czech Republic (or in other EU country, if an acknowledgement of validity for Czech Republic is submitted) and/or who is the holder of a licence for producing electricity, can become an Account Holder.

An applicant for an account in the EECS GO Registration Database shall be registered in CS OTE first. This registration involves the acquisition of a security certificate, submission of a registration form and the provision of registration data and CS OTE access data, for verification. The detailed procedure is published on the website of OTE, a.s.

After that, the applicant can apply for an access to the EECS GO Registration Database and for an account, by filling out and submitting the Account Application/Amendment form in Annex 3. The application shall contain all the necessities and shall be signed by the statutory representatives of the Account Holder (in accordance with the actual record of the Commercial register) or by an agent. In such case the power of attorney to act on behalf of the Account Holder shall be submitted. OTE, a.s. is entitled to ask for any additional information.

On receipt of all the documentation of the applicant, OTE, a.s. evaluates whether the application can be approved, and within 5 working days from its receipt shall inform the applicant.

In case of successful completion of the registration procedure and the creation of an account in the EECS GO Registration database, OTE, a.s.:

- assigns a unique account reference to each created account
- records the details of the created account in EECS GO Registration Database
- provides formal approval of the application to the applicant

An Authorised person of the Account Holder assigns the user access to the EECS GO Registration Database to chosen persons of the Account Holder through CS OTE.

OTE, a.s. shall activate an Account only after the potential Account Holder explicitly consents to the Standard Terms and Conditions and this Domain Protocol. An Account Holder shall confirm its compliance at his first login to the EECS GO Registration Database. After the account activation, an Account Holder can use it for operations, these operations specifically are:

- apply for the issue of EECS GO certificates
- provide instructions for the transfer of EECS GO certificates,
- provide instructions for cancellation of EECS GO certificates,
- provide suggestions for withdrawal of EECS GO certificates,
- provide suggestions for the data update related with its registration in EECS GO Registration Database
- obtain data and information about the account and EECS GO certificates registered.

All stated operations are available for the Account Holder on the basis of their assigned authorization.

It is the responsibility of the Account Holder to keep the identification secret.

An application for the registration of a Participant for the purposes of EECS Schemes will be rejected if in relation to that application, the applicant has failed to comply with any requirements of this Domain Protocol or the Standard Terms and Conditions.





On unsuccessful completion of the registration process, OTE, a.s. will send the applicant a formal rejection of the application.

If OTE, a.s. detects errors in the Account Holder information, it will correct them without any delay. The relevant Account Holder will be informed of such actions.

### D.2 Resignation of an Account Holder

This section must demonstrate compliance with the following EECS Rules:

None directly		

Closing of an account in EECS GO Registration Database can be performed by OTE, a.s. in cases stated in the Standard Terms and Conditions or on written request of the Account Holder.

In case of a written request OTE, a.s. will amend the EECS GO Registration Database to seal that Account as of the effective date on the request or 10 (ten) working days from the date of receipt by OTE, a.s., whichever is the later.

OTE, a.s. is entitled to let any EECS GO certificates expire, which are in the account, to the effective account closure date.

Unless agreed otherwise, due to its resignation from the scheme, the Account Holder is not entitled to any refund of fees paid to or owed to OTE, a.s.

All financial claims OTE, a.s. has towards the resigning Participant must be settled before resignation.

OTE, a.s. will proceed to close the Account of the resigning Participant in the EECS GO Registration Database. Transaction data related to the closed Account stored in the EECS GO Registration Database will be kept also after resignation, in accordance with G.2.

### **D.3** Registration of a Production Device

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

	C2.1.1	C2.1.2	C2.2.4	D4.1.2	E3.3.10	E3.3.11	N6.2	O6.2	
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Only the owner of a Production Device, or a Registrant duly authorised by the owner, may register a Production Device, which is located in Czech Republic, in CS OTE.

The Registrant of the Production Device must provide evidence to the satisfaction of OTE, a.s. that it has the appropriate authority to register the Production Device and that it can comply with the requirements of (i) the EECS Scheme under which EECS GO Certificates shall be issued for the Generation of the Production Device and (ii) the Standard Terms and Conditions and this Domain Protocol with respect to the imposition of duties on the owner and/or operator of the Production Device.

An applicant registering a Production Device must provide the following information:

i. the applicant's name and address and additional contact details, including the name of the individual responsible for the application, phone number, fax number and e-mail





address; if the applicant is not the owner of the Production Device, then the name and address of the owner of the Production Device must be provided as well;

- ii. the names of the persons authorised to act for the Registrant;
- iii. the EECS Scheme with respect to which he is applying for registration;
- iv. the Account into which the Scheme Certificates in respect of that Production Device are to be issued;
- v. the location of that Production Device, its name and address;
- vi. details of the Export Meter(s) for that Production Device;
- vii. details of any generating auxiliaries associated with that Production Device;
- viii. where there are generating auxiliaries associated with that Production Device and the consumption of these auxiliaries are not determined by an Export Meter, details of Import Meter(s) which determine the totality of electricity consumption by the Production Device;
- ix. (irrespective of whether or not there is any intention to use such sources of energy in connection with the Production Device) all sources of energy that may be converted into energy outputs by that Production Device by reference to the source types as set out in AIB EECS Fact Sheet 5;
- x. the nature of that Production Device, in terms of technology according to technology codes in AIB EECS Fact Sheet 5;
- xi. the Nominal Capacity of that Production Device;
- xii. where at the time of such application it has been commissioned, the date on which that Production Device was commissioned;
- xiii. a diagram of that Production Device, including details on the location of:
  - 1. the Export Meter(s) for the Production Device;
  - 2. any transformer substations at the site of the Production Device;
  - 3. any generating auxiliaries for the Production Device; and
  - 4. any Import Meters for the Production Device.
- xiv. a scheme describing how the amount of Net Energy Generation produced by that Production Device shall be calculated from meter readings;
- xv. a specification whether the Production Device is eligible for support under the Act No. 165/2012 Coll. of the subsidised energy sources (in case of biomass plants under the provision that appropriate biomass is used).

The registration form to register a Production Device containing all the items listed above can be found in Annex 2 to this Domain protocol. All information concerning the Production Device has to be entered by the Registrant on the website https://portal.ote-cr.cz.

The DSOs (or TSO) performs on-site inspection of the Production Device before the Production Device is connected to the grid. All details of such inspections are provided by DSOs (or TSO) to OTE, a.s. The obligatory information submitted by a Registrant while Production Device being registered are verified by OTE, a.s. against the details provided by the DSOs (or TSO).





If required by OTE, a.s., the Registrant must have the information in the registration form verified by a Production Registrar (see D.6 below) as part of the approval process.

OTE, a.s. will respond to the application within 30 (thirty) working days from its receipt.

On successful completion of the registration process, OTE, a.s. will assign a unique identifier to each registered Production Device. The identifier consists of a number with 18 numeric characters that also identifies the Domain of origin. GS1 coding is used.

The Registrant consents to the publication by OTE, a.s. of data provided in the course of its application for registration in relation to each of its Production Devices registered on the database on its web page <a href="https://portal.ote-cr.cz">https://portal.ote-cr.cz</a>

The Registrant must warrant that the information provided to OTE, a.s. in connection with its application is complete and accurate and that the Production Device meets the Qualification Criteria for the respective EECS Schemes.

An application for the registration of a Production Device for the purposes of EECS GO Certificates will be rejected if:

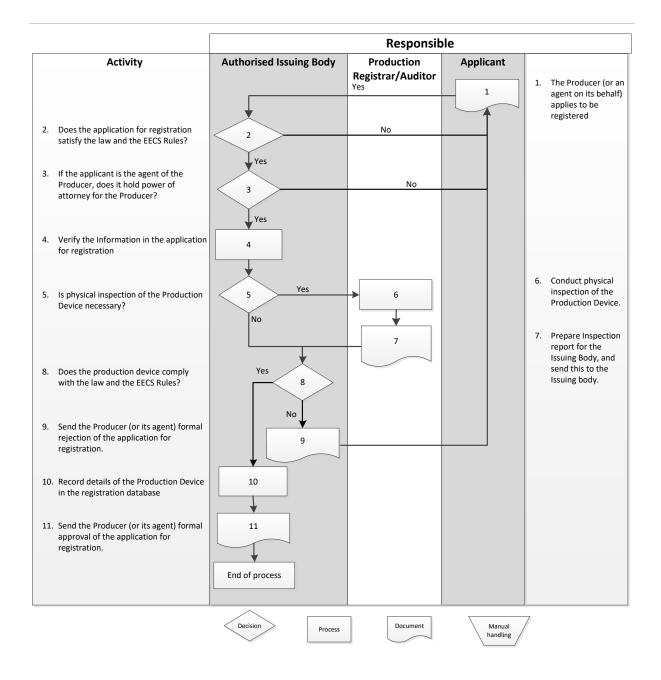
- i. in relation to that application, the applicant has failed to comply with any requirements of this Domain Protocol or the Standard Terms and Conditions;
- ii. the Qualification Criteria are not satisfied in respect to that Production Device;
- iii. there are one or more generating auxiliaries for that Production Device the consumption of which are not determined by an Export Meter, and it is not fitted with Import Meters; or
- iv. the Production Registrar is prevented from satisfactorily verifying the application (if required by OTE, a.s.) by the applicant or the owner or operator of the relevant Production Device.

On unsuccessful completion of the Production Device registration process, OTE, a.s. will send the applicant a rejection of the Application.

If OTE, a.s. detects an error in the information of a Production Device in the CS OTE Database, it will correct them without any delay, applying the procedures outlined in Chapter D.5. The relevant Registrant of the Production Device will be informed of such actions.







### D.4 De-Registration of a Production Device

This section must demonstrate compliance with the following EECS Rules:

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The Registrant must notify OTE, a.s. of an intent to deregister their Production Device in writing. The effective date of deregistration must not be less than 10 (ten) working days from the date of receipt by OTE, a.s.





OTE, a.s. will proceed to deregister the Production Device from the CS OTE database, but only when there are no outstanding fees in relation to the Account Holder. The data on a Production Device stored in the CS OTE database will be kept also after resignation, in accordance with G.2

The registration of a Production Device as qualifying for the respective EECS Scheme in the EECS GO Registration Database will expire after five (5) years. OTE, a.s. will amend with immediate effect the relevant records in the EECS GO Registration Database to indicate that the Production Device no longer qualifies for the respective EECS Scheme.

The Registrant may avoid expiry by successfully completing re-registration of the relevant Production Device as set out in section D.3 above. Following expiry, the Registrant may apply for re-registration of the relevant Production Device.

### D.5 Maintenance of Production Device Registration Data

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

C2.2.1	C2.2.2	C2.2.3	C2.2.5	D5.1.2

The Registrant of a Production Device must notify the OTE, a.s. of any planned changes due to come into effect that will result in or unplanned changes that have resulted in:

- i. the information recorded in the EECS GO Registration Database in relation to the Production Device becoming invalid or inaccurate; or
- ii. the Qualification Criteria for the respective EECS Scheme ceases to be satisfied with respect to that Production Device.

On receipt of a change of details notification (following an inspection or otherwise), OTE, a.s. will evaluate the impact of the changes on the Qualifying Criteria and respond to the Registrant within 10 (ten) working days specifying the decision taken.

Where OTE, a.s. becomes aware that a Production Device no longer fulfils, or will no longer fulfil, the Qualification Criteria, the EECS GO Registration Database record for that Production Device will be updated to show that the Production Device no longer qualifies for the respective EECS Scheme with effect from:

- i. (in relation to planned changes notified in advance) the date on which such planned changes are due to come into effect; or
- ii. (in relation to changes not announced in advance) as soon as reasonably practicable after becoming so aware.

The registration of a Production Device expires after five years. The Registrant must re-apply for registration for the Production Device before expiry.

#### D.6 Audit of Registered Production Devices

	E3.3.7	E3.3.8	D5.1.2	
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As part of the registration process for the Production Device, it may be necessary for the information provided by the applicant to be independently verified. This is normally achieved through an on-site inspection. If OTE, a.s. requires the application verification, the activity is delegated to a Production Registrar as its agent.

A list of Production Registrars is given in Annex 1 to this document.

The Registrant, on behalf of the owner and operator, of a Production Device must permit OTE, a.s., or a Production Registrar as its agent, to access the Production Device or records associated with it, its energy output and sources of energy when conducting inspections in accordance with this section D.6.

A Production Registrar may also perform the role of Production Auditor.

- D.6.1 The period between inspections of a Production Device will not exceed 5 years.
- D.6.2 Refusal to permit access to a Production Device may be considered a breach of the Standard Terms and Conditions.
- D.6.3 If an inspection identifies material differences from the details recorded on the EECS GO
  Registration Database, the Registrant must re-apply for registration of the Production Device.
- D.6.4 Inspections verify that the Measurement Devices are correctly positioned in order to measure the quantity needed for calculating the amount of EECS Certificates to be Issued.
- D.6.5 Inspections confirm the accuracy of the Measurement Devices involved in the calculation of the amount of EECS Certificates to be Issued to be acceptable in accordance with the existing regulatory framework and applicable standards.
- D.6.6 Inspections confirm that the formula for calculating the amount of EECS Certificates correctly reflects the amount of Output that qualifies for the purpose of these EECS Certificates.

#### D.7 Registration Error/Exception Handling

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

C2.2.2	E4.2.7	

D.7.1 Any errors in EECS Certificates resulting from an error in the registered data of a Production Device will be handled in accordance with Section E.9.

#### **E CERTIFICATE SYSTEMS ADMINISTRATION**

### **E.1** Issuing EECS Certificates

A2.1.1	A2.1.2	C3.1.1	C3.2.1	C3.3.1
C3.4.2	C3.4.4	E3.3.10	N3.1.1	03.1.1





One EECS GO Certificate will be issued for each whole one MWh of qualifying energy output of the Production Device that is injected into the electricity grid of Czech Republic.

EECS GO Certificates are only issued under this Domain Protocol:

- (a) in respect of a Production Device which is, at the time of Issue:
  - i. situated in the Czech Republic;
  - ii. registered in the CS OTE database of OTE, a.s. as qualifying for the EECS GO Certificate Scheme;
- (b) in respect of the qualifying energy output of such a Production Device during any period in which it was registered in the CS OTE database for the purposes of the EECS GO Certificate Scheme, provided the last day on which the measured energy output was generated is not more than three (3) calendar months after the first day on which the measured energy output was generated;
- (c) for the period of production of one calendar month, according to demand for issuing of EECS GO Certificates;
- (d) to an Account Holder who does not have any outstanding fees payable to OTE, a.s. or its agents in conjunction with the EECS Certificate Scheme;
- (e) in respect of the energy output in respect of which no other EECS GO Certificate of any variety has been or is being issued;
- (f) in respect of qualifying energy output of a Production Device during a period which does not comprise two different calendar years;
- (g) after completion of the settlement of imbalances conducted by OTE, a.s. after completion of the period for which it is required to issue EECS GO Certificates within one Production Declaration.
- (h) since the effective date of the Act no. 165/2012 Coll. and not later than 12 months after the end of the production period.

The respective EECS GO Certificates are issued against energy data submitted in accordance with E.3 below.

Only persons duly authorised by Registrant may request the issue of EECS GO Certificates in relation to the output of that Production Device.

The request for the issuing of EECS GO Certificates must be made in the form of a Production Declaration (see Annex 4). Where a Production Device produces energy from different qualifying fuel types, any Production Declaration must be associated with a Consumption Declaration, which covers the same reporting period, and which allows to determine the respective proportions of output to input for the respective production period (see also in Annex 4).

When submitting a Production Declaration, the Registrant must clearly indicate the amount of the production device consumption like auxiliaries, on-site demand of the Production Device and any other demand. For any such energy, no EECS GO Certificates will be issued (see also in Annex 4). This must ensure that the EECS GO Certificates issued based on the Production Declaration can provide unique and exclusive evidence of the production of energy from particular energy sources as specified in the EECS Rules.





OTE, a.s. will check the Production Declaration against the metered data provided for the Production Device for the period to which the Production Declaration relates. The EECS GO Registration Database will also be checked to ensure that no more than one EECS GO Certificate under any of the EECS Schemes is issued in respect of the same qualifying energy output.

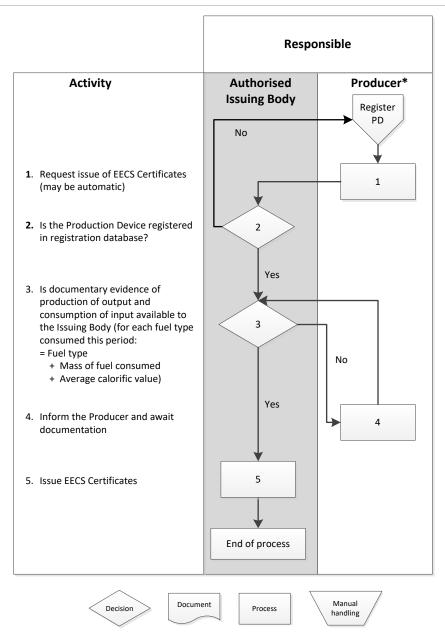
#### **E.2** Processes

A4	C3.4.1	C3.4.3	C3.5.1	C3.5.2
C3.5.3	C4.1.1	C4.1.3	D7.1.2	E.2
N6.4.	O6.4			

- The Registrant requests issuance of EECS GO Certificates. The request may be related only to E.2.1 a specific period consisting of one calendar month. EECS GO Certificates are only issued for Production Devices situated in Czech Republic and registered in the EECS GO Registration Database of OTE, a.s. EECS GO Certificates are always issued only directly to the Account belonging to the owner of the Production Device. OTE, a.s. will deposit the EECS GO Certificates in the Account of the Registrant in the EECS GO Registration Database no later than 10 (ten) working days after the receipt of a valid Production Declaration (described in detail in previous section) and the Account Holder will be notified accordingly via an email notification. The Account Holder of an Account is treated as the owner of the EECS Certificates. An EECS GO Certificate identifies the entitlement of the Account Holder of the Account in which it is held to the attributes of the energy source for the quantity of energy output to which it relates so as to enable the Account Holder to realise such real and intangible benefits as may be accorded to such entitlement. These entitlements are dependent on the laws of the country in which the originating Production Device is situated and also on the laws applicable in any Domain to which the EECS GO Certificates may be transferred for the execution of Cancellation.
- E.2.2 The Registrant is allowed to apply for an issue of EECS GO Certificates in the same production period repeatedly, but the total number of requested EECS GO Certificates shall be equal to or less than total amount of energy produced and injected into the electricity grid of the Czech Republic in that period. If the Registrant applies for an issue of EECS GO Certificates in the same production period repeatedly, the production period shall be exactly the same or longer than the period of the previous issuance, not shorter.
- E.2.3 The EECS GO Certificate shall be issued in such format as may be determined by AIB.
- E.2.4 Residual kWh(s) are not carried/brought forward in any way.







<sup>\*</sup> The Producer is the generic term for the party which requests certificates, and might include production aggregators, portfolio managers etc.

### E.3 Measurement

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

D6.1.2	N6.4.	O6.4	

Only Production Devices that are equipped with metering equipment that complies with the relevant regulations for the trading of electricity shall be registered in EECS GO Registration Database. These regulations are: the mark and the type of the metering equipment shall be included on the list of the approved types; the metering equipment is authenticated and marked with an official label; the





metering device fulfils the technical requirements valid for new metering equipment installed in production devices. The metering equipment may measure on a scalar basis (meter advance only) or on a period basis (energy measured within specific time periods) according to the regulations.

The measurement frequency for the purposes of EECS GO Certificate issuance is one calendar month.

If a Registrant wishes to receive EECS GO Certificates for their Production Device, they must submit the metering data and the Production Declaration to OTE by using the form in Annex 4. The Registrant must provide metering data for the Production Device for the entire duration of registration of that Production Device (regardless of whether the energy produced is eligible for certificates or if the issuance of certificates is being requested). The Registrant is responsible for the timely delivery of accurate metering data for their Production Device.

Metering data is also sent to OTE by the Authorised Measurement Bodies identified in section B.3.3. OTE verifies the metering data received from the Registrant against that received from the Authorised Measurement Bodies.

EECS GO Certificates are issued for Production Devices with multiple energy sources only under the condition that the Registrant provides within the Production Declaration all required data in accordance with the EECS Rules, Standard Terms and Conditions and this Domain Protocol.

### **E.4** Energy Storage

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

N6.4.4	N6.4.5	C3.2.4	C3.2.2	C3.6	
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EECS GO Certificates are always issued for net energy production injected into the electricity grid of the Czech Republic. The auxiliary consumption, on site demand and energy storage are excluded from the delivery to the grid.

The electricity produced from the hydro pumped storage plant shall be stated by using the pumping cycle efficiency factor. The Registrant shall provide the value of the pumping cycle efficiency factor under the provision of the Section D.3 specifically no. xiv in the list of obligatory information, which shall be provided by an applicant registering a Production Device. The pumping cycle efficiency factor shall be determined as a constant for every single production device.

Then the volume of electricity produced by the pumped storage plants shall be calculated by the formula:

$$E = (Ec - F * Ep) - EvI - Eost$$

#### where:

E Volume of electricity produced by hydro pumped storage plants

Ec Volume of electricity produced by the turbine

F Pumping cycle efficiency factor

Ep Volume of electricity consumed by the turbine for pumping

Evl Volume of auxiliaries





Eost Volume of electricity consumed on-site (except of pumping)

### **E.5** Energy Carrier Conversion

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

3.2.2 C3.5.4(u)	C3.6
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There are no specific rules for energy carrier conversion in the Czech legislation yet. GOs are cancelled for the measured input into conversion and new GOs are issued for the measured output from conversion.

# E.6 Combustion Fuel (e.g., Biomass) Input and Production Devices with multiple energy inputs

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

N6.3.2 O6.3.2	
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For Production Devices using multiple energy sources, the Registrant is obliged to submit a Consumption Declaration for each combustible Input and to specify therein:

- i. Calorific value of each energy source
- ii. Consumption of each energy source
- iii. Volume of energy of each energy source
- iv. Gross calorific value of each renewable energy source
- v. Water proportion contained in each renewable energy source

Then the volume of energy produced from the different energy sources shall be calculated using the formula:

$$E_i = (E_C - E_{vl}) \cdot \frac{M_{pal_i}^T}{M_{nal}^T}$$

where:

 $E_i$  volume of electricity produced from energy source i [MWh]

 $E_C$  total volume of produced electricity [MWh]

 $E_{vl}$  volume of auxiliaries [MWh]

 $m{M}_{\mathit{pal\_i}}^T$  volume of energy contained in combusted energy source i [GJ]

 $M_{\it pal}^{\it T}$  total volume of energy contained in all together combusted energy sources [GJ]





The volume of the energy contained in the combusted energy source during the respective period shall be calculated using the formula:

$$M_{pal_i}^T = S_{pal_i} \cdot q_{net_i}^r$$

Where:

 $M_{nal}^{T}$  volume of energy contained in combusted energy source i [GJ]

 $S_{pal_i}$  total mass of the energy source (fuel) **i**, combusted in electricity production during the respective period [t]

 $q^{r}_{net\_i}$  average calorific value of the energy source (fuels) **i** in its original conditions, consumed in electricity production during the respective period [MJ/kg; MJ/m<sup>3</sup>]

The average calorific value shall be calculated using the formula:

$$q_{net}^{r} = (q_{spal}^{d} - 0.218 * H_{t}^{d}) * \frac{100 - W_{t}^{r}}{100} - 0.02442 * W_{t}^{r}$$

where:

 $q^{r}_{\it net}$  average calorific value of energy source (fuel) in the original condition consumed to produce electricity during the respective period [MJ/kg; MJ/m3]

 $q^{d}_{\;\;spal}\;\;$  gross calorific value of energy source in the anhydrous condition [MJ/kg; MJ/m3]

 $H^{d_t}$  hydrogen proportion in the mass of energy source in the anhydrous condition [%];

 $W_t^r$  total water proportion in the energy source in the original condition [%]

The average caloric value 5 KJ/kg shall be used for the rigid and solid biomass with more than 50% of organic substance in a dry matter content and less than 20% of water proportion.

The algorithm of the calculation for the determination of the proportion of the production output to the used combustions, is specified by the Decree no. 166/2022 Coll. of the Ministry of Trade and Industry of Czech Republic; the proportion has to be individually recorded and archived by every single Registrant. An additional security for EECS GOs is that biomass is expected only if the Production Device is in accordance with the qualification criteria for the Biomass devices and Registrant provides the data of production inputs in relevant scope according this Domain Protocol to OTE, a.s.





#### E.7 Format

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

C3.5.4	C3.5.5	N6.5	N6.6	07
08	C3.4.4	E3.3.10	N3.1.1	03.1.1

- E.7.1 EECS Certificates shall be Issued in such format as may be determined by AIB.
- E.7.2 Radioactive waste information for nuclear electricity generation is included.
- E.7.3 Request for issuing EECS GO Certificates is made by filling in a Production Declaration in electronic format within the EECS GO Registration Database.

### **E.8 Transferring EECS Certificates**

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

C5.1.1	C5.1.3	C5.1.6	

The transfer of EECS GO Certificates can be executed:

- a) within the Domain of Czech Republic,
- b) from another domain involved in the EECS Scheme to the Domain of Czech Republic,
- c) from the Domain of Czech Republic to another domain involved in the EECS Scheme.

A transfer is initiated by the selling Account Holder. The transfer of the EECS GO Certificates is automated.

If the transfer is initiated by the selling Account Holder, the chosen number of the EECS GO Certificates is blocked for another transaction and the recipient is informed by an email notification. Where EECS GO Certificates are transferred to an account on the EECS GO Registration Database of OTE, a.s., the relevant Account Holder must confirm or reject this transfer. After that the transfer is executed and confirmed by notification to both Account Holders.

Only EECS GO Certificates that have not expired and have not been cancelled or withdrawn are eligible for transfer into or within the EECS GO Registration database. Only EECS GO Certificates that can be validated as Guarantees of Origin according to the Act No. 165/2012 Coll. can be transferred into the EECS GO Registration Database, otherwise they will be prevented from import.

Transfer of the EECS GO Certificates from or to the domain of non AIB Member is allowed only as an ex-domain cancellation to such domain.

OTE, a.s. has the right to perform corrective actions such as withdrawal or transfer of EECS GO Certificates in the EECS GO Registration Database where EECS GO Certificates have been erroneously issued or transferred.

### E.9 Administration of Malfunctions, Corrections and Errors

C5.1.7	C8.4.1	C8.4.2	C8.4.3	C8.5.1
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D9.1.2		

- E.9.1 Once issued, the details of an EECS Certificate cannot be altered or deleted except to correct an error.
- E.9.2 Where an error is introduced (subsequent to its Issue) into, or with respect to, EECS GO Certificates held in the Account Holder's Account in the EECS GO Registration Database:
  - a) in the course of its Transfer into that Account; or
  - b) during such time as it is in such Account,

OTE, a.s. will correct the error in or with respect to those EECS GO Certificates, provided that such EECS GO Certificates have not been transferred out of that Account.

OTE, a.s. may alter EECS GO Certificates held in its EECS GO Registration Database so as to rectify an error which occurred prior to its transfer into the Account in which it is held at such time, provided:

- a) the Account Holder has agreed to such alteration; and
- it is reasonably satisfied that any unjust enrichment of EECS Scheme Participant as a consequence of such error has, to the extent reasonably practicable, been nullified;
   and
- c) it is reasonably satisfied that the alteration itself does not give rise to undue enrichment of the Account Holder.

In the event that it transpires that the data in any Scheme Certificate is inaccurate (whether or not through an act or omission of the Registrant of the Originating Production Device) OTE, a.s. shall (provided that such EECS Scheme Certificates are, at the time of such Withdrawal, in the Account of that Registrant) withdraw those EECS GO Certificates. If the erroneously issued EECS GO Certificates have been already transferred to another account, then the Account Holder of such account shall agree with the withdrawal. If the erroneously issued EECS GO Certificates have been already transferred to another domain then OTE, a.s. shall confer with the Issuing Body of that domain to determine appropriate action.

#### E.10 End of Life of EECS Certificates – Cancellation

C5.2.3	C6.1.1	C7.1.1	C7.2.1	C7.2.2
C7.2.3	C7.3.1	E3.3.10	N3.1.1	03.1.1

- E.10.1 Cancellation is removing a Certificate from circulation. Once Cancelled, a Certificate cannot be moved to any other account, and so is no longer tradable.
- E.10.2 The initiation of cancellations is activated by the relevant Account Holder. The cancellation of EECS GO Certificates is automated.
- E.10.3 The confirmation of the success or failure of a cancellation is notified to the Account Holder by OTE, a.s.





A Cancellation request can be made through the EECS GO Registration Database by a person duly authorised by the Account Holder. In order to be valid, the Cancellation Request must specify:

- a) the consumption period of the respective energy volume, in which
  - i. the production period of the cancelled EECS GO Certificate has to be the same or shorter than that consumption period;
  - ii. the consumption period shall not exceed a calendar year;
- b) a cancellation purpose, which is appropriate in order to inhibit double marketing of the cancellation statement; and
- c) a respective beneficiary information; and
- d) the country of consumption being either:
  - i. Czech Republic; or
  - ii. any other country where, at the time of cancellation, there is no certification scheme operated by an issuing body being a member of AIB or by a AIB hub Participant.

If sufficient and compliant information is not provided, the cancellation will be rejected by OTE, a.s.; the EECS GO Certificates will be returned to the Account Holder's Account.

Where a cancellation is completed, OTE, a.s. notifies within EECS GO Registration Database and by email the Account Holder of that cancellation.

After the cancellation is successfully completed, OTE, a.s. will automatically produce a standard format, non-transferable, Cancellation Statement within 10 (ten) working days. The template of the Cancellation statement is attached in Annex 5 of this Domain Protocol.

### E.11 End of Life of EECS Certificates – Expiry

C5	.2.3	C6.1.1c	E6.2.1h	
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- E.11.1 EECS Certificates cease to be valid for transfer twelve months after the end of the period during which the Output to which they relate was produced.
- E.11.2 EECS Certificates cease to be valid for cancellation twelve months after the end of the period during which the Output to which they relate was produced.
- E.11.3 This expiration process is automatic in the EECS GO Registration Database, on a set day and time exactly twelve months after the end of the period during which the Output to which they relate was produced. Expired EECS GO Certificates are labelled as expired and are therefore automatically excluded from any transfer or cancellation. They stay in the account with the label for information only.
- E.11.4 Imports where the certificates have already expired for local use are prevented (fail validation before acceptance).





#### E.12 End of Life of EECS Certificates – Withdrawal

This section must demonstrate compliance with the following EECS Rules:

C5.2.3	C6.1.1	C8.2.1	

OTE, a.s. may Withdraw an EECS GO Certificate held in an Account on its EECS GO Registration Database at the request of the Account Holder of that Account, or otherwise in accordance with the provisions of the relevant EECS Scheme, for instance for certificates that have been issued in error. Withdrawn EECS GO Certificates are labelled as withdrawn and are therefore automatically excluded from any transfer or cancellation. They stay in the account with the label for information only.

#### **F** ACTIVITY REPORTING

### F.1 Public Reports

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

<b>E3.3.4</b> HPA section 14.2	
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- F.1.1 For each technology, statistical information are published on the following website <a href="https://www.ote-cr.cz/en/gos\_and\_allowances/guarantees-of-origin/annual-gos-transaction-list\_and\_https://www.aib-net.org/facts/market-information/statistics, regarding:</a>
  - certificates issued, transferred internally intra-domain, imported, exported, cancelled, expired during each month prior to the current month,
  - certificates issued, transferred internally intra-domain, imported, exported, cancelled, expired in relation with the energy produced during each month prior to the current month,
  - certificates imported through a bilateral connection.

#### F.2 Record Retention

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

A12.1.1	C5.1.2	D8.1.2	

Registration of Account Holders are kept on-line for 5 years and are then archived electronically for 10 years.

Registration of Production Devices are kept on-line for 5 years and are then archived electronically for 10 years.

EECS GO Registration Database transactions and operations are kept on-line for 5 years and are then archived for 10 years with database backup.

Measurement values are kept on-line for 5 years and are then archived for 10 years with database backup.





### F.3 Orderly Market Reporting

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

E4.2	.5	E4.2.6	E4.2.7	
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OTE, a.s. reports and notifies the AIB and takes actions according to EECS Rules sections E4.2.5, E4.2.6 and E4.2.7 in order to promote market transparency.

#### **G** ASSOCIATION OF ISSUING BODIES

### **G.1** Membership

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

C2.2.6	C2.2.7	

- G.1.1 The Association of Issuing Bodies brings together the issuing bodies of European energy certificate schemes. The AIB promotes the use of a standardised system, based on a harmonised environment, structures and procedures in order to ensure the reliable operation of European energy certificate systems. With its independent and peer reviews, and its periodic audits, the AIB provides a robust framework for reliable and fraud-resistant GO systems. Among others, it can also act by suspending transfers through the Hub. Membership of AIB facilitates mutual recognition of GOs across Europe.
- G.1.2 In case OTE, a.s. ceases to be a Scheme Member of an EECS Scheme, it shall revise its EECS GO Registration Database so that every Production Device registered therein ceases to be registered for the purposes of EECS. Certificate issuing under EECS would stop, and EECS GOs would remain tradable only until Expiry.
- G.1.3 In case OTE, a.s., ceases to be the Authorised Issuing Body for EECS Certificates, it shall revise its EECS GO Registration Database so that each Production Device in the Domain ceases to be registered for the purposes of EECS Certificates, it shall stop issuing EECS GOs and after a transitional period the registry shall be taken offline.

### **G.2** Complaints to the AIB

None directly (J1.1.2)	
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- G.2.1 An Account Holder is allowed to notify the Secretary General of AIB in writing in case:
  - a) an Authorised Issuing Body in relation to an EECS Certificate is in breach of any of the provisions of Product Rules in relation to EECS Certificate; or
  - b) any Product Rules do not comply with the relevant provisions of the EECS Rules, and evidence is provided substantiating such allegation, and that the Authorised Issuing Body has been given adequate opportunity to respond to such allegation.





The General Secretary of AIB shall invite the relevant Authorised Issuing Body to respond to the allegation.

### H CHANGE CONTROL

#### H.1 Complaints to OTE, a.s.

This section must demonstrate compliance with the following EECS Rules:

None directly		

All complaints shall be submitted to OTE, a.s. in writing. The complaint shall include identification of the complainant, date of the complaint and a detailed description of the complaint subject. OTE, a.s. is obliged to consider the complaint, investigate the circumstances and, if possible, with this Domain Protocol resolve the cause of the complaint. The complainant shall be informed by OTE, a.s. how the complaint is or will be processed within 15 working days. OTE, a.s. shall resolve the complaint not later than within 30 working days.

### **H.2** Disputes

This section must demonstrate compliance with the following EECS Rules:

None directly			
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Any disputes are processed and resolved in accordance with the Standard Terms and Conditions.

### **H.3** Change Requests

This section demonstrates compliance with the following EECS Rules:

E4.2.3 E6.2.1e L5.1.1	
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Any EECS Market Participant may submit a proposal for a change of this Domain Protocol. The proposal for a change shall be submitted in writing only and addressed to OTE, a.s. The proposal for a change shall involve identification of the EECS Market Participant, date of the proposal, detailed description of the proposal subject and reasons for the proposal. After the receipt of the proposal for a change OTE, a.s. evaluates whether the proposed change is reasonable, necessary and feasible and inform the EECS Market Participant about the results of the evaluation within 30 working days. The proposal is subject to AIB approval and shall be implemented for the Domain of Czech Republic no sooner than it is approved by AIB.





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### **ANNEX 2 DEVICE REGISTRATION FORM**

Production device registration form:







## ANNEX 3 ACCOUNT APPLICATION/AMENDMENT FORM

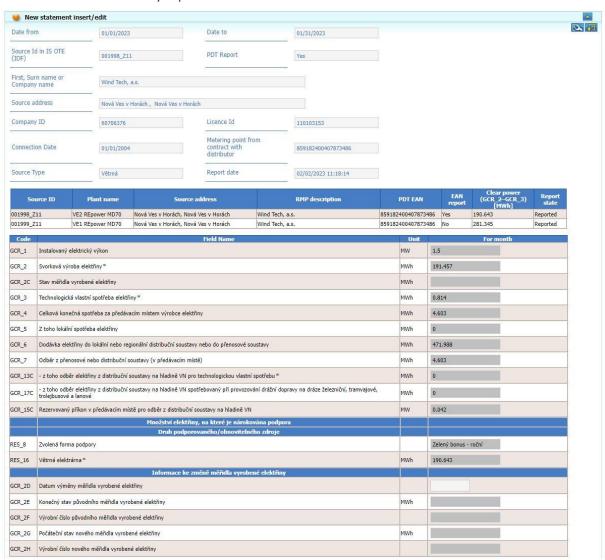
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### ANNEX 4 PRODUCTION/CONSUMPTION DECLARATION

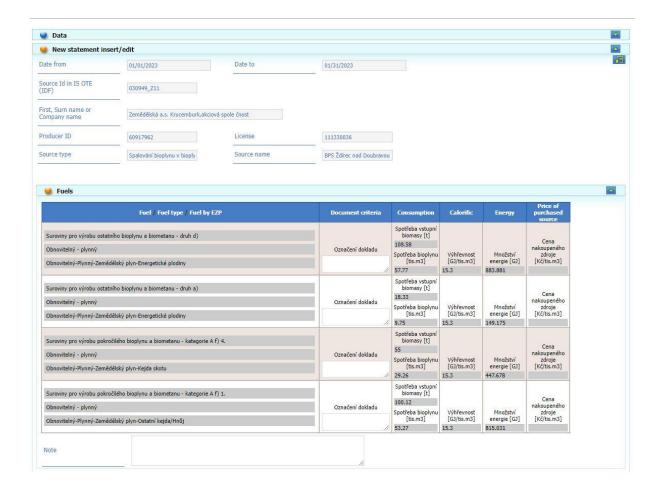
Production device monthly report:



Production device fuel report:











### ANNEX 5 EECS CANCELLATION STATEMENT

The Cancellation Statement:







#### ANNEX 6 DECREE NO. 328/2022, ON GUARANTEES OF ORIGIN OF ENERGY

The Ministry of Industry and Trade establishes pursuant to § 53 paragraph 1 letter f) and ac) of Act No. 165/2012 Coll., on supported energy sources and on the amendment of certain laws, as amended by Act No. 131/2015 Coll. and Act No. 382/2021 Coll., (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"):

#### § 1 – Subject of modification

This decree provides:

- a) registration of an electricity production plant, a biomethane production plant, a heat production plant from a nuclear facility and a hydrogen production plant (hereinafter referred to as the "energy plant") in the market operator's system for issuing a guarantee of origin,
- b) the scope of data transmitted to the market operator from the transmission system operator, transmission system operator, distribution system operator, gas producer, gas station operator or dispensing unit to which the biomethane production plant, hydrogen producer and distribution thermal equipment operator is directly connected for issuing a guarantee of origin,
- c) measured or calculated values of the produced amount of electricity, biomethane, hydrogen or heat,
- d) procedures, terms and conditions for issuance and transfers,
- e) details of the application for the issuance of guarantees of origin and the transfer of guarantees of origin,
- f) the method of transferring the guarantee of origin carried out electronically,
- g) rules for the transfer of guarantees of origin of advanced biomethane a
- h) the method of determining the share of gas suppliers in the total supply of natural gas and biomethane.
- § 2 Registration of an energy production plant for issuing a guarantee of origin of energy





- (1) For the purposes of issuing a guarantee of origin of energy, the energy producer registers the energy producer in the market operator's system to the extent of the data specified in Annex No. 1 to this decree.
- (2) If there is a change in the data according to paragraph 1, the energy producer shall update this data in the market operator's system for the purpose of issuing the guarantee of origin immediately after the change.
- § 3 The scope of the data transmitted to the market operator for issuing the guarantee of origin of energy and their verification

The energy producer transmits to the market operator, through the market operator's system, the data required for the issuance of the energy origin guarantee for the past calendar month by the twelfth day of the following calendar month.

- § 4 Procedures, terms and conditions for the issuance and transfer of the guarantee of origin and the requirements for the application for the issuance and transfer of the guarantee of origin
- (1) Issuance of a guarantee of origin of energy, its transfer, recognition and application is possible only after the establishment of an account in the register of guarantees of origin.
- (2) The energy producer applies for a guarantee of energy origin to the market operator electronically based on the data in Annex No. 2 to this decree. The energy producer may request the market operator to issue the maximum available amount of guarantees of origin for a given energy producer for a specified period or to automatically transfer the automatically issued guarantees of origin to a different account in the record of guarantees of origin than the account of the energy producer. The request for automatic issuance or automatic transfer of guarantees of origin can be terminated by the energy producer at any time in the register of guarantees of origin.
- (3) The guarantee of origin of electricity or the guarantee of origin of biomethane shall be issued by the market operator at the earliest after the end of the monthly settlement of deviations according to the decree regulating the rules of the electricity market or the rules of the gas market.
- (4) The transfer of the guarantee of origin of energy shall be carried out by the market operator through the register of guarantees of origin based on the request of the account holder for the transfer of the guarantee of origin of energy, which contains information according to Annex No. 3 to this decree.





- (5) The guarantee of origin of energy includes
- a) designation, name and location of the energy production plant,
- b) information on whether the guarantee of energy origin applies to electricity, biomethane, advanced biomethane, heat, heat from a nuclear installation or hydrogen,
- c) primary energy source and type of energy production plant,
- d) installed or energy output of the power plant,
- e) date of commissioning of the energy production plant,
- f) information on the use of investment support or other forms of support, determination of the type of support regime and the extent of such support,
- g) time period of energy production covered by the issued energy origin guarantee,
- h) date and country of issue of the guarantee of origin of energy,
- i) unique identification number of the issued energy origin guarantee,
- j) amount of energy for which the guarantee of origin of energy is issued, and
- k) designation of the document proving the fulfillment of the criteria of sustainability and savings in greenhouse gas emissions according to the law.

#### § 5 – Rules for the transfer of guarantees of origin of advanced biomethane

(1) The gas supplier submits to the market operator, in the records of guarantees of origin, an application for the transfer of the guarantee of origin of advanced biomethane pursuant to Section 45c, paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Act, according to the model specified in Annex No. 3 to this Decree, by the end of the calendar month in which it was issued. Part of the application is a statement from the gas supplier, which contains information about its total supply of natural gas and biomethane, which





does not include liquefied natural gas or liquefied biomethane, to gas stations or dispensing units in the Czech Republic for the calendar month of energy production for which the origin of advanced biomethane was guaranteed released. The amount of guarantees of origin of advanced biomethane, the transfer of which the gas supplier requests under this paragraph, may not exceed the amount of his total supply of natural gas and biomethane stated in the declaration according to the second sentence.

(2) The transfer of guarantees of origin of advanced biomethane is carried out by the market operator in accordance with § 45c paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Act through the registration of guarantees of origin on the basis of the request for the transfer of the guarantee of origin of advanced biomethane, received in accordance with paragraph 1.

## § 6 – The method of determining the share of gas suppliers in the total supply of natural gas and biomethane

The market operator determines the share of the supply of natural gas and biomethane of individual gas suppliers in the total supply of natural gas and biomethane for consumption to gas stations or dispensing units in the Czech Republic. The share according to the first sentence is determined by the market operator in a calendar month as the ratio of the total supply of natural gas and biomethane of an individual gas supplier, which this supplier indicated in the application for the transfer of the guarantee of origin according to § 5, and the sum of the total supplies of natural gas and biomethane from all the transfer applications received guarantees of origin according to § 5 from all gas suppliers.

### § 7 – Cancellation provision

#### Canceled:

- 1. Decree No. 403/2015 Coll., on guarantees of origin of electricity from renewable energy sources and electricity from high-efficiency combined production of electricity and heat.
- 2. Decree No. 360/2019 Coll., which amends Decree No. 403/2015 Coll., on guarantees of origin of electricity from renewable energy sources and electricity from high-efficiency combined electricity and heat production.

#### § 8 – Efficiency

This decree enters into force on January 1, 2023.