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1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

1.1. Introduction

- 1.1.1. UAB GET Baltic is a company that has been established in accordance with law of the Republic of Lithuania and that carries out its business activity under a market operator licence. The company is organising trade in physical natural gas products and provides the participants of the Exchange with the services of the Exchange electronic trading system in Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia.
- 1.1.2. UAB GET Baltic offers an opportunity to buy natural gas in market areas operating in Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia, including physical delivery.
- 1.1.3. At a Natural Gas Exchange that is established, UAB GET Baltic offers an opportunity to buy natural gas products together with the cross-border capacities allocated by the implicit capacity allocation method at the interconnection points of transmission systems. For the time being, when trading in a day-ahead product, an order to buy and (or) to sell natural gas is displayed in all three Baltic countries.

1.2. Goal of the Regulation

- 1.2.1. The goal of the UAB GET Baltic Regulation of trading on the natural gas exchange (hereinafter referred to as "the Regulation") is to establish the principles of operation of the natural gas exchange of UAB GET Baltic (hereinafter referred to as "the Exchange") and trading rules on the Exchange, the procedure for the submission of orders to buy and to sell natural gas and the settlement procedure, the rights and duties of participants of the Exchange, entities intending to be the participants of the Exchange, and the natural gas market operator (hereinafter referred to as "the Operator") during operation on the Exchange.
- 1.2.2. The Operator, entities intending to be the participants of the Exchange, and the participants of the Exchange, who buy and (or) sell, intend to buy and (or) to sell natural gas in the future on the Exchange shall act in accordance with this Regulation.
- 1.2.3. The Regulation has been drawn up in accordance with the Regulation of the European Parliament and Council No. 1227/2011 of 25 October 2011 on wholesale energy market integrity and transparency (hereinafter referred to as "REMIT regulation"), Law on Natural Gas of the Republic of Lithuania, Rules for Trade in Natural Gas adopted by Decree No. 1-293 of the Minister of Energy of the Republic of Lithuania of 28 November 2011 (hereinafter referred to as „the Rules“), and the Rules for the Supervision of Trade in Electricity Energy and Natural Gas (hereinafter referred to as „the Supervision Rules“) adopted by Resolution No. 03-450 of the National Control Commission for Prices and Energy (hereinafter referred to as „the Commission“) of 22 December 2016.
- 1.2.4. The Regulation has been drawn up by the Operator and approved by the Commission in accordance with the procedure prescribed by the legal acts.

1.3. Definitions and the meanings thereof

- 1.3.1. **Settlement** shall mean a procedure upon which one party eliminates its pecuniary obligation to the other party for the services rendered and for the products bought or sold on the Exchange.

- 1.3.2. **An advance payment** (hereinafter referred to as “**the Prepayment**”) shall mean the sum of money in advance transferred to the bank account indicated by the Operator by the Participant, designated for payment for the products bought or planned to be bought on the Exchange, the services rendered by the Operator as well as set-off of the penalties.
- 1.3.3. **Balance conditions** shall mean the provisions stipulated by the natural gas transmission services contract or balancing contract between the transmission system operator and the participant of the Exchange, regarding the balancing of the natural gas volume delivered to the transmission system and collected from the transmission system.
- 1.3.4. **A bank guarantee** shall mean an instrument by which a bank unconditionally undertakes to pay to the guarantee beneficiary the specific sum of money on the first demand guarantee.
- 1.3.5. **The participant of the Exchange** (hereinafter referred to as “**the Participant**”) shall mean a person, who has the status of the Participant, buying and (or) selling products on the Exchange in accordance with the procedure and conditions established by Regulation.
- 1.3.6. **Exchange service fees** shall mean the approved by the Commission fees for the services rendered by the Exchange.
- 1.3.7. **The Participant’s identification data** (hereinafter referred to as “**Identification Data**”) shall mean the unique codes required for Participants to secure the safety of their data and to carry out actions on the Exchange.
- 1.3.8. **The Participant’s status** shall mean an entity, who has entered into a contract with the Operator and was entered into the Register of Participants, right that allows the Participant to trade on the Exchange, which means to carry out to buy and (or) to sell orders and to fulfil transactions, to use other options provided by the Exchange, by acquiring the rights and undertaking the duties provided for by this Regulation.
- 1.3.9. **Monitoring of the behaviour of Participants** shall mean the systematic surveillance procedure covering the evaluation of actions and behaviour of Participants and the analysis of trading data.
- 1.3.10. **The Register of Participants** shall mean the list of participants openly published on the Operator’s site www.getbaltic.com.
- 1.3.11. **A working day** shall mean any day of a week from Monday to Friday when Lithuanian bank is working (central bank).
- 1.3.12. **The Day-Ahead Product** shall mean a way of purchase/sale of natural gas offered by the Natural Gas Exchange when an order to buy and (or) to sell by the implicit capacity allocation method, when available capacities are available, is displayed in all market areas (in Lithuania, Latvia, and Estonia). If available capacities are not available, trade in a day-ahead product shall only be carried out in a market area to which an order to buy and (or) to sell is submitted.
- 1.3.13. **The electronic trading system** (hereinafter referred to as “**the ETS**”) shall mean the system composed of hardware, software, and communication equipment, aimed at the performance of trading on the Exchange.
- 1.3.14. **The disturbance of the ETS** shall mean any failure or undue operation of ETS hardware, software, or communication equipment possibly causing the elimination of access to the ETS or limiting the options to consistently carry out trading operations or any other actions on the Exchange.

- 1.3.15. **The Natural Gas Exchange** (hereinafter referred to as “**the Exchange**”) shall mean the system for trade in natural gas organized by the Operator in accordance with the procedure and conditions set by this Regulation.
- 1.3.16. **The contract of the participant of the natural gas exchange** (hereinafter referred to as “**the Participant’s Contract**”) shall mean the contract between the Operator and an entity complying with the requirements established by subpar. 2.2.2 of this Regulation, granting to this entity the Participant status.
- 1.3.17. **The Delivery Period of Natural Gas** (hereinafter – the Delivery Period) shall mean a gas day during which products are bought and sold in the Exchange. The gas day means a period from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 a.m. of the following day in the East Europe time (EET) (East European summer time (EEST)).
- 1.3.18. **The security instrument for the fulfilment of obligations** (hereinafter referred to as “**the Collateral**”) shall mean the security instrument issued to the benefit of the Operator of the Participant, aimed at securing the fulfilment of current and future obligations of the Participant arisen out of purchase transactions on the Exchange.
- 1.3.19. **An erroneous transaction** shall mean the purchase or sale of the product on the Exchange, which does not comply with the criteria indicated in the Participant’s order and (or) contradicting to the provisions of this Regulation.
- 1.3.20. **Available Capacities** shall mean not allocated cross-border capacities at the interconnection points of (Lithuanian, Latvian, and Estonian) natural gas transmission systems, which have been allocated by natural gas transmission system operators to the Exchange for allocation by the implicit capacity allocation method.
- 1.3.21. **The set-off statement** shall mean the statement issued by the Operator, on the basis of which the difference between amounts payable and receivable by the Participant is fixed and the set-off of counter payments is made between the Operator and the Participant.
- 1.3.22. **The continuous trading method** shall mean the trading method when the Exchange, upon receiving a new order, immediately verifies whether there is other complying with it order amongst the orders received previously and, if such an order is found – the transaction is fulfilled immediately, if such a transaction is not found – the order is put on the list of orders.
- 1.3.23. **The Implicit Capacity Allocation Method** shall mean a method when the natural gas volume bought by the Participant at the same time is supplemented by available capacities at interconnection points between Lithuanian and Latvian and Latvian and Estonian natural gas transmission systems allocated by the Operator.
- 1.3.24. **The Order** shall mean an order to sell or an order to buy.
- 1.3.25. **The Order to sell** shall mean the instruction to sell product on the Exchange submitted by the Participant.
- 1.3.26. **The Order to buy** shall mean the instruction to buy product on the Exchange submitted by the Participant.
- 1.3.27. **The Order Price** shall mean a maximal purchase or a minimal sales price in terms of MWh (megawatt hour), accurate to two decimals, at which the Participant wants to buy or to sell the product and which is indicated in the electronic trading system (EPS) as VAT excluded.
- 1.3.28. **The Volume of the Order** shall mean the maximal volume of product in MWh (megawatt hours), which the Participant seeks to buy or to sell on the Exchange.

- 1.3.29. **The Fulfilment of an Order** shall mean the finite process by which a transaction is fulfilled according to the order submitted by the Participant.
- 1.3.30. **The Transmission System Operator** shall mean an entity that is exercising a transmission function and is in charge of assurance of operation and maintenance of the transmission system and, if necessary, is responsible for the development of the transmission system in a specific territory and in certain circumstances – in charge of interconnection of the transmission system with other systems and assurance that the system's long-term capacity is sufficient to satisfy a reasonable demand for gas transportation. The definition of the transmission system operator applied in the Regulation shall mean all three Lithuanian, Latvian, and Estonian natural gas transmission system operators jointly and each of them severally unless expressly indicated otherwise.
- 1.3.31. **The previous day** shall mean the day before the current day.
- 1.3.32. **The trading session on the Exchange** (hereinafter referred to as “**the Trading Session**”) shall mean the period during which orders are submitted and transactions are fulfilled.
- 1.3.33. **The Product** shall mean offered during trading on the Exchange physical ways of natural gas purchase/sale according to delivery periods as described in this Regulation and (or) on the website of the Exchange.
- 1.3.34. **The Market Area** shall mean a trading area in any Baltic country: Lithuania, Latvia, or Estonia.
- 1.3.35. **The Trading Limit** shall mean the limit denominated in euro, which limits the Participant's ability to submit orders to buy on the Exchange.
- 1.3.36. **The results of the trading session** shall mean the results of trading on the Exchange based on which invoices for the natural gas bought and (or) sold may be issued. The results of the Trading Session shall be presented on the trading day, upon closing the trading session and upon the formation of the statement of trading results within the period established by this Regulation.
- 1.3.37. **The Market Operator (hereinafter referred to as “the Operator”)** shall mean UAB GET Baltic, a natural gas market operator, who is organising trade in physical natural gas products on the Natural Gas Exchange and holds a licence for this business activity.
- 1.3.38. **The Value of a Transaction** shall mean the pecuniary sum denominated in the EUR, calculated as the multiplication of the transaction product volume and a price, including transportation cost (if applicable).
- 1.3.39. **A Transaction** shall mean a reached agreement between two Participants to buy or to sell the product according to submitted order to buy and to sell in the Exchange, the conditions specified herein and the procedure specified in the Regulation.
- 1.3.40. Other definitions applied in this Regulation shall be construed as indicated in the subpar. 1.2.3 of this Regulation.

2. TRADING TERMS

2.1. Principles of Trading on the Exchange

- 2.1.1. The Participants submit their orders to buy and (or) to sell products that are traded on the Exchange. Upon formation of an appropriate Participants pair of orders a transaction is fulfilled.
- 2.1.2. Trading on the Exchange shall be carried out by the continuous trading method.
- 2.1.3. Only entities having the Participant's status shall trade on the Exchange.
- 2.1.4. Orders to buy and (or) to sell shall be submitted on an anonymous basis, which means that Participants are not provided with and cannot have access to information about Participants who entered into a transaction with another Participant on the Exchange.
- 2.1.5. The orders submitted by Participants shall be defined by the following criteria: an order type (partial or full fulfilment), product name (according to delivery period), price, and volume.
- 2.1.6. Orders shall be submitted by means of the ETS controlled by the Operator. In the event of disturbances of the ETS, orders shall be submitted by means of e-mail.
- 2.1.7. Orders to buy and (or) to sell may be submitted by all the Participants. Orders shall be only submitted in a market area (in Lithuania, Latvia, or Estonia) of a country whose transmission system operator has entered into a natural gas transmission service and (or) balancing contract with the Participant. If a day-ahead product is selected, an order to buy and (or) to sell shall be displayed in all market areas with due consideration of available capacities available at interconnection points.
- 2.1.8. Only the volume of natural gas which was legally acquired by the Participant and which may be disposed by the Participant without encumbrance may be sold on the Exchange. The Participant shall be in charge of compliance with this requirement and shall assume responsibility for all adverse consequences that may be caused by non-compliance with this requirement (including the duty to reimburse for the damages caused by such a breach to other persons).
- 2.1.9. Keeping the anonymity of the Participants, the ETS makes the information of submitted orders available for review by all the Participants according to the market area selected as long as a contract is completed, with the exception of a day-ahead product that, if available capacities are available, is available for review by all the Participants in all market areas of the Exchange.
- 2.1.10. Trading shall be carried out during a trading session: from 10:00 a.m. to 14:00 p.m.
- 2.1.11. The time of operation of the Exchange: in winter under – EET (*Eastern European Time*) and in summer – EEST (*Eastern European Summer Time*).
- 2.1.12. The site of trade in products shall be a virtual trading point that is set by a transmission system operator. A day-ahead product shall be displayed at virtual trading points of all market areas.
- 2.1.13. The Participant shall buy from the transmission system operator the capacities of the transmission system which would be sufficient for the transportation of the natural gas volume bought/sold.

- 2.1.14. Prior to the beginning of each trading session – until 9:30 a.m., the transmission system operator shall submit to the Operator information regarding the amount of available capacities to be allocated by the implicit capacity allocation method for day-ahead products.
- 2.1.15. Available capacities shall be allocated by the implicit capacity allocation method by the Operator during a trading session. Information regarding the amount of available capacities to be allocated by the implicit capacity allocation method shall be declared by the Operator in the online mode via the ETS.
- 2.1.16. The Operator shall update information regarding available capacities that have been allocated by the implicit capacity allocation method when:
- 2.1.16.1 a day-ahead product contract is completed in any market area and relative available capacities or the portion thereof is allocated;
- 2.1.16.2 a transmission system operator submits to the Operator updated information on the amount of free allocated capacities in the event of an emergency, a malfunction, a failure and (or) repair works resulting in decrease or elimination of available capacities.
- 2.1.17. The Operator shall submit to a transmission system operator information on the gas volumes sold and (or) bought at a virtual trading point and the allocated capacities by the implicit capacity allocation method upon completion of each trading session until 14:15 p.m.

2.2. Participants

- 2.2.1. The Participant's status may be given to an entity complying with the requirements established by this Regulation and the Rules, who entered into the Participant's Contract with the Operator. The form of it is published on the Operator's website.
- 2.2.2. An entity intending to become a Participant (hereinafter referred to as "the Entity") shall:
- 2.2.2.1 Submit the filled-in form of the request to grant the status of the Participant (hereinafter referred to as "the Request") published on the Operator's website;
- 2.2.2.2 To submit an extract of the Entity's main data issued by the Centre of Registers or any other competent authority not earlier than 90 days before the date of submission of an application to grant the status of the Participant (for legal entities only);
- 2.2.2.3 To submit the copy of a personal identity document (for a natural entity);
- 2.2.2.4 To submit the form for the selection of service fee plan published on the Operator's website;
- 2.2.2.5 To submit a valid transmission service contract with a transmission system operator which would set forth balancing conditions or a balancing contract. The Participant may trade in exchange products in a market area in the territory of which is acting a transmission system operator who has entered into a transmission service contract with balancing conditions or a balancing contract with the Operator.
- 2.2.2.6 To submit information about employees or other authorized persons carrying out trading or other actions on the Exchange on behalf of the Participant, who have read this Regulation and legal acts regulating trade in natural gas (hereinafter referred to as "the Representative");

- 2.2.3. The Operator shall have the right to request the Entity to submit other documents than in accordance with subpar. 2.2.2 of this Regulation, if it is necessary for making decision on granting the Participant's Status.
- 2.2.4. The Participant shall immediately, but not later than within 2 (two) working days, in writing notify to the Operator any amendment to the information established in subpar. 2.2.2 of this Regulation.
- 2.2.5. The information of the Entity shall be submitted to the Operator in Lithuanian or English.
- 2.2.6. Upon receiving the Request, the Operator shall adopt either a reasonable decision on granting the Participant's Status or a well-argued decision not to grant the Participant's status not later than within 5 (five) working days from the date when all required documentation was submitted and shall notify to the Entity the decision adopted. If the Operator refuses to grant the Participant's Status, it shall indicate the legal grounds of refusal. If the decision to grant the Participant's Status is adopted, the draft Participant's contract shall be attached to a notice regarding the decision adopted.
- 2.2.7. The Entity shall acquire the Participant's Status upon entering into the Participant's Contract and upon placing the Entity on the Register of Participants by the Operator. The Operator shall place the Entity on the Register of Participants and publish information on the Operator's website not later than within 5 (five) working days from the date when the Participant's Contract is signed.
- 2.2.8. The Operator shall issue to the Participant Identification data on the date when the Entity is granted the Participant's Status.
- 2.2.9. The Participant's status may be restricted (which means that the option to submit order on the Exchange may be restricted) or withdrawn (which means that the Participants agreement are unilaterally cancel, compliance with the provision of subpar. 7.2.8 of the Regulation) by the decision of the Operator:
- 2.2.9.1 if the Participant submits to the Operator wrongful or misleading information;
 - 2.2.9.2 if the Participant does not fulfil or unduly fulfils obligations to the Operator, which have been assumed under the fulfilled transactions;
 - 2.2.9.3 if the Participant abuses and manipulates the market and (or) carries out other illegal actions with respect to the market as defined by the applicable legal acts.
 - 2.2.9.4 if the transmission system operator notifies that the Participant does not fulfil its obligations to the transmission system operator, which have been assumed under the contract with the transmission system operator, which sets the balance conditions, and submits the data proving this fact;
 - 2.2.9.5 a transmission system operator shall inform that the transmission service contract with the Participant, which sets forth balancing conditions, and (or) a balancing contract was cancelled;
 - 2.2.9.6 if bankruptcy procedures are initiated to the Participant or the Participant obtains the status of a company under liquidation;
- 2.2.10. Once the Operator has adopted the decision to restrict the status of the Participant in accordance with subpar. 2.2.9 of the Regulation, the status of the Participant may be restored in accordance with subpar. 7.2.7 of the Regulation.

- 2.2.11. Once the Operator has adopted the decision to withdraw the status of the Participant in accordance with subpar. 2.2.9 of the Regulation, such an Entity shall again submit to the Operator a request to grant the status of the Participant as provided in subpar. 2.2.2 of the Regulation and pay an initial registration fee.
- 2.2.12. If the Participant's Representative does not comply with provisions of the Regulation, the Operator following a reasonable request may demand to replace the Representative. If the Participant does not fulfil this request, it may be imposed to the sanctions stipulated by subpar. 7.2.5 of this Regulation.

2.3. Trading Products of the Exchange

- 2.3.1. The products traded on the Exchange are classified according to the term of delivery as follows:
- 2.3.1.1 Previous day products (for the Lithuanian market area only);
 - 2.3.1.2 Current day products;
 - 2.3.1.3 Day-ahead products;
 - 2.3.1.4 Nearest days-ahead products (a specific number of days which cannot exceed 150 days ahead is indicated on the Operator's website);
 - 2.3.1.5 Monthly products.
- 2.3.2. The Operator of the Exchange shall also have the right to offer other products that are not indicated in subpar. 2.3.1 of the Regulation. The Operator shall inform the Participants about a new offered product by publishing the description of the new product on the Operator's website not later than 5 working days before starting trading in the new offered product.

2.4. Trading schedule

- 2.4.1. Trading on the Exchange shall be carried out every day during the Trading Session.
- 2.4.2. The Operator may announce some days as non-trading days of the Exchange, on these days trade on the Exchange would not be carried out. The Operator shall notify this to the Participants by at least 2 (two) working days prior written notice and shall publish this information on the Operator's website.
- 2.4.3. The Operator shall reserve the right to change the Trading Session time by at least 5 (five) working days prior notify in writing the Participants and notice published on the Operator's website.

2.5. Submission of Orders

- 2.5.1. Orders shall be submitted through the ETS. The ETS shall be accessed through the Operator's website.
- 2.5.2. In the event of malfunctions of the EPS, orders may be submitted by e-mail. If orders are submitted by e-mail, the Participant shall fill in a form for the submission of orders published on the Operator's website. In the event of malfunctions of the EPS, the Operator shall act in accordance with the procedure prescribed by subpar. 2.7.
- 2.5.3. The Participant, who has entered into a transmission service contract that is providing for balancing conditions and (or) a balancing contract with more than one transmission system operator, before submitting an order, shall select the (Lithuanian, Latvian, or Estonian) market area to which it would like to submit its order.

- 2.5.4. An order to buy shall indicate the product of a specific delivery period to be bought, the volume of the order, and the price of the order.
- 2.5.5. An order to sell shall indicate the product of a specific delivery period to be sold, the volume of the order, and the price of the order.
- 2.5.6. An order shall be considered as received when it is registered with the ETS, and, if an order is submitted by e-mail in the event indicated in subpar. 2.5.2 – the order shall be considered as received upon receiving the written Operator’s acknowledgement of receipt.
- 2.5.7. The Participant, during a trading session, shall have the right to amend or withdraw the order submitted via the EPS or by e-mail or unrealized portion thereof in the event indicated in subpar. 2.5.2 of the Regulation provided that a transaction has not been yet concluded.
- 2.5.8. The Participant shall be entitled to withdraw the order submitted both via the ETS and e-mail provided that no transaction has been fulfilled on the basis of the order submitted or to withdraw the unrealized share of the order, even during the period beyond the trading session, which is before or after the trading session.
- 2.5.9. The Participant shall have the right to submit more than one order with different or the same criteria. Orders may be classified (by types) as follows:
 - 2.5.9.1 Partial fulfilment type orders shall mean orders the main transaction fulfilment criterion of which is considered a price, while the order itself may be fulfilled either fully or partly;
 - 2.5.9.2 Full fulfilment type orders shall mean orders the main transaction fulfilment criteria of which are considered a volume and a price, while the order may be fulfilled in full only (all or none).
- 2.5.10. If a transaction is not fulfilled under an order or (and) is realized in part (for partial fulfilment type orders only), such an order continues to be effective as long as an opportunity to enter into a transaction arises, otherwise it is amended or withdrawn by the Participant or the Operator in the event provided for in subpar. 2.5.11.
- 2.5.11. If the order submitted is not realized for the product delivery period as indicated in the order, such an order shall continue to be effective as an order for a previous day product (applicable to the Lithuanian market area only), and such an unrealized order shall be automatically withdrawn the next day.
- 2.5.12. The Operator shall reserve the right to unilaterally withdraw the orders submitted by the Participant, which have not yet been realized, under the circumstances indicated in subpar. 2.2.9 of the Regulation.
- 2.5.13. The display of the volume of the day-ahead product indicated in the submitted order in market areas other than the market area to which the order has been submitted depends on the amount of available capacities. If the total volume indicated in all orders exceeds available capacities, only the best price orders for an aggregate volume equal to available capacities will be displayed in market areas other than a market area to which orders has been submitted.
- 2.5.14. If available capacities are sufficient only for a partial fulfilment of a partial fulfilment type order, then, in areas other than an area to which the order has been submitted, a transaction shall be fulfilled to the extent of the share of the order equal to available capacities.

2.5.15. Submitted orders to sell day-ahead products shall be displayed at the price including a natural gas transportation price between a market area to which orders has been submitted and other market areas, while orders to buy shall be displayed at the price excluding a natural gas transportation price between a market area to which an order has been submitted and other market areas.

2.6. Fulfilment of Transactions

2.6.1. During the Trading Session, all orders to buy and to sell shall enter the ETS where transactions are fulfilled, with the exception of events established in part 2.7 of this Regulation.

2.6.2. A transaction shall be fulfilled under the following conditions:

2.6.2.1 If an order is one of a partial fulfilment type, the criterion for the fulfilment of a transaction shall be a price – the products of an order to sell and an order to buy referring to a specific delivery period are the same, and the price of the order to sell is less than or equal to the price of the order to buy. If the order submitted by the Participant is realized partially, the remaining share of the order shall continue to be in force as long as it is completed in full or its term of validity expires, or the order is amended or withdrawn.

2.6.2.2 If an order is one of the full fulfilment type, the transaction execution criteria shall be the volume of natural gas and a price. In case of a full fulfilment type order to buy, a transaction shall be executed if the volume indicated in order to sell is greater than (when the order to sell is one of the partial fulfilment type) or equal to the volume indicated in the order to buy and the price of the order to sell is less than or equal to the price of the order to buy. In case of a full fulfilment type order to sell, a transaction shall be executed if the volume indicated in order to buy is greater than (when the order to buy is one of the partial fulfilment type) or equal to the volume indicated in the order to sell and the price of the order to buy is greater than or equal to the price of the order to sell.

2.6.3. The orders to buy shall be put on the list in the price descending order, while the orders to sell – in the price ascending order. Orders to buy at the highest price and orders to sell at the lowest price shall be fulfilled on a priority basis. If the prices of the same type orders are the same, then the order submitted earlier shall be fulfilled on a priority basis.

2.6.4. The price of each transaction on the Exchange shall be fixed according to the price of the order to buy or to sell submitted earlier. The price of the transaction shall be equal to the price of the fulfilled order to sell if the order to sell was submitted earlier than the order to buy, or the price of the transaction shall be equal to the price of the fulfilled order to buy if the order to buy was submitted earlier than the order to sell.

2.6.5. A transaction shall not be fulfilled if the Participant who is the counterparty to the transaction is the same Participant.

- 2.6.6. Under the circumstances foreseen in subpar. 2.2.9 of the Regulation, the Operator shall reserve the right to unilaterally, without recourse to court proceedings to cancel the Participant's fulfilled transactions by notifying this to the parties of the transactions and the transmission system operator (provided that information regarding a transaction to be cancelled has already been submitted to the transmission system operator) by an individual notice supplemented with the reasonable decision of the Operator. The Participant's fulfilled transactions shall be cancelled in accordance with the following principles:
- 2.6.6.1 In the events foreseen in subpar. 2.2.9.3–2.2.9.4, the Operator, with due consideration of the complexity of the breach committed by the Participant, may cancel all the Participant's fulfilled transactions for future periods, under which the Participant buys and (or) sells products on the Exchange, the delivery date of which matures later than the date of the decision of the Operator to impose the sanctions foreseen in subpar. 2.2.9.
 - 2.6.6.2 The Operator shall cancel all the Participant's fulfilled transactions for future periods, under which the Participant buys and (or) sells products on the Exchange, the delivery period of which matures later than the date from which the transmission system operator terminates the contract made with the Participant, which foresees the balancing conditions, in accordance with subpar. 2.2.9.5.
 - 2.6.6.3 The Operator shall cancel all the Participant's fulfilled transactions for future periods, under which the Participant buys and (or) sells products on the Exchange, the delivery period of which matures later than the date from which the bankruptcy procedures are initiated to the Participant or the Participant acquires the status of a company under liquidation, in accordance with subpar. 2.2.9.6.

2.7. Disturbances of the ETS and Trading Errors

- 2.7.1. In the event of disturbances of the ETS, the Operator shall have the right to suspend trading on the Exchange. The Operator shall find the best solution to handle the situation depending on the level of the ETS disturbance. In all ETS disturbances, the Operator shall inform the Participants by e-mail as soon as the disturbance has been noticed. However, while the disturbance of ETS the Operator may allow an alternative way to submit the orders to the Exchange. If the Operator decides to use the alternative way for submitting orders, the orders of Participants shall be submitted by e-mail, submitting the filled-in form published on the Operator's website. Upon receiving such Participant's order, the Operator shall send by e-mail impersonal information about this order to all Participants.
- 2.7.2. While using the alternative way for submitting orders, transactions shall be fulfilled in accordance with the provisions of subpar. 2.6.2-2.6.6.
- 2.7.3. Upon eliminating the ETS disturbances and restoring the ETS operation, the Operator shall notify this to Participants by e-mail and by an informational message on the Operator's website.

- 2.7.4. If a wrongful order resulting from the undue operation of the ETS is submitted to the Exchange and an erroneous transaction is fulfilled on the basis thereof, the Participant, prior to the end of the Trading Session, shall be entitled to submit to the Operator a request to cancel the fulfilled transaction.
- 2.7.5. If an evidently erroneous order resulting from the undue operation of the ETS or other sound reasons is submitted to the Exchange and, for these reasons, an erroneous transaction is fulfilled, the Operator shall be entitled to unilaterally cancel such a transaction. The decision to cancel a transaction adopted by the Operator shall be notified to the parties of the transaction and the transmission system operator (provided that information regarding a transaction to be cancelled has already been submitted to the transmission system operator) by the individual notice supplemented with the reasonable decision of the Operator.
- 2.7.6. If the Participant makes an error while submitting an order or fulfilling an undue transaction (resulting from indicating an undue price, an undue volume, or other undue parameters, or submitting an order), it may be only eliminated by the decision of the Operator during the same Trading Session date and upon receiving the written request of the Participant and the consent of the Participant who is the counterparty to the transaction. The written request must be made as soon as the error has been discovered.
- 2.7.7. The Operator shall not be responsible and shall not indemnify for any direct and (or) indirect losses caused to the Participants or other entities due to the origin of the circumstances indicated in part. 2.7, with the exception of events when these circumstances are resulting from fault or high negligence of the Operator.

3. SETTLEMENT

3.1. Applicable Fees

- 3.1.1. The following fees for the services of arranging trading on the Exchange which are approved by the Commission, shall be charged:
- 3.1.1.1 An initial registration fee: the lump-sum fee paid by the Entity for granting the status of a Participant;
 - 3.1.1.2 An annual membership fee: the fixed Participant's fee for the Exchange membership paid on the annual basis. The annual membership fee shall be paid on the calendar year basis (if a market player becomes the Participant from the beginning of a calendar year, a fee shall be calculated in proportion to the number of remaining days);
 - 3.1.1.3 A floating trading fee denominated in the EUR per MWh (megawatt hour) payable by the Participant who fulfilled a transaction for the volume of product bought and (or) sold on the Exchange.
- 3.1.2. If the sanctions provided for in subpar. 2.2.9 are imposed on the Participant and the status of the Participant is limited for some period of time or even is cancelled, or the Participant decides to terminate the Participant's contract, the money paid by the Participant for the annual membership fee for the current year shall not be refunded to the Participant.
- 3.1.3. The fees of the services provided by the Operator and fee plans shall be published on the Operator's website. The Participant shall select the applicable fee plan from the fee plans published. The Participants may change the fee plan selected by submitting the application indicated in subpar. 3.1.5 within 3 (three) months from the date when the Participant's contract is signed. In other cases, provisions for changing the fee plan set forth in subpar. 3.1.5 and 3.1.7 shall be applicable.
- 3.1.4. If necessary, the Participants may change their fee plan once per calendar quarter. The selected tariff plan shall come into force from the beginning of the next calendar quarter. If the fee plan is changed, the previously paid annual membership fee shall not be refunded.
- 3.1.5. The plan of fees for the coming period is changed or selected after the Participant submits the filled-in form of the request to change plan of fees, published on the Operator's website. This request shall be submitted at least 10 (ten) calendar days before the beginning of the new quarter, except the case stipulated in subpar. 3.1.7 of this Regulation.
- 3.1.6. If the Operator declares only one plan of fees in the manner provided for in subpar. 3.1.3, this plan shall be applicable to all Participants.
- 3.1.7. If the Participant does not submit request to change the plan of fees until the date indicated in subpar. 3.1.5, the same plan of fees would be applied for next year.
- 3.1.8. The settlement and other information on prices and fees is provided in euros.
- 3.1.9. Settlement of accounts for the services provided by the Operator and the products bought on the Exchange shall be executed in euro by a bank payment order to either the bank account indicated in the VAT invoice issued by the Operator or to the bank account indicated on the Operator's website, or in other ways indicated in the Regulation.

3.2. Collaterals

- 3.2.1. To fulfil orders to buy the Participant, not later than 1 (one) working day before the beginning of trading on the Exchange, shall transfer to the bank account indicated by the Operator the Prepayment or submit the Collateral the value of which should be no less than the value of foreseen orders price, including VAT, except the case stipulated in subpar. 3.2.18 of this Regulation.
- 3.2.2. If the Operator has a payable sum of money to the Participant for the natural gas sold on the Exchange, then, when submitting the order to buy by the Participant, this sum of money or the portion thereof, on the written request of the Participant, may be set off as the Prepayment paid by the Participant or the portion thereof. The unused portion of the sum of money shall be paid out based on the set-off statement issued by the Operator and approved by the Participant within the time limits established by subpar. 3.3.9 of this Regulation.
- 3.2.3. The Participant may submit to the Operator a bank guarantee as a Collateral.
- 3.2.4. The Collateral shall be acceptable for the Operator, first demand, unconditional, irrevocable, provide the right of priority to the fulfilment of an obligation and shall be effective until the full fulfilment of the Participant's obligations, for which such Collateral was issued.
- 3.2.5. The bank guarantee submitted by the Participant as the Collateral shall be issued by the bank, which itself or its parent bank, the group of banks the member of which it is, holds the assigned long-term credit rating in foreign currency at least BBB- according to the scale of the Standard & Poors agency, or corresponding rating equivalent of other credit rating agency. If the bank itself, or its parent bank, the group of banks the member of which it is, was assigned the long-term credit rating lower than the long-term credit ratings indicated in this paragraph, then the bank, or its parent bank, the group of banks the member of which it is, shall be considered as not complying with the requirements of this paragraph.
- 3.2.6. The minimal term of validity of the bank guarantee submitted as the Collateral shall be 2 (two) months, the Participant shall extend the term of validity not later than 3 (three) weeks prior to the expiration of the term of validity of the bank guarantee.
- 3.2.7. Seeking to secure the fulfilment of obligations arisen out of orders to buy, the Participant may simultaneously submit Collaterals. The value of all Collaterals submitted shall be summed up.
- 3.2.8. Upon paying the Prepayment to the bank account indicated by the Operator and (or) submitting the Collateral, the Operator, not later than within 1 (one) working day, shall provide the Participant with the trading limit – an option to submit to the Exchange orders to buy on the level of the value of the Prepayment and (or) the Collateral, VAT deducted.
- 3.2.9. If the Participant does not extend the term of validity of the Collateral in accordance with subpar. 3.2.6, the Operator, 3 (three) weeks before the date of expiration of the Collateral, shall reduce the trading limit given to the Participant by the value of this Collateral, VAT deducted.

- 3.2.10. If the Participant exercises the fulfilled transactions for the purchase of products the delivery period of which matures 3 (three) weeks after the expiration of the date of validity of the Collateral provided by the Participant and the Participant does not extend the term of validity of the Collateral to the date that matures 3 (weeks) after the expiration of the delivery deadline for the products to be bought, the Operator shall issue to the Participant the Prepayment invoice for such Products bought on the Exchange and for the services rendered by the Operator in connection with the purchase of the products 3 (three) weeks before the deadline of the Collateral. The Participant shall pay up this Prepayment invoice within 9 (nine) calendar days after receiving this invoice. Otherwise the Operator shall be entitled to recourse to the organization that issued the Collateral with a request to fulfil the liabilities of the Participant.
- 3.2.11. After the fulfilment of the purchase transaction or the submission of the order to buy by the Participant, the trading limit and (or) the additional trading limit applied to the Participant shall be reduced by the value of the fulfilled purchase transactions and the submitted orders to buy.
- 3.2.12. The Prepayment paid by the Participant or the portion thereof shall be applied on the VAT invoicing date, while Collaterals shall be applied if the Participant delays to pay up the VAT invoice issued by the Operator for the product bought for 2 (two) working days.
- 3.2.13. If the Operator enforces the Collateral furnished by the Participant, the trading limit given to the Participant shall be reduced by the value of the Collateral enforced, VAT deducted.
- 3.2.14. After the completion of the settlement for the products bought and for the services rendered by the Operator, the unused Prepayment and (or) Collaterals or the portion thereof shall continue to be effective for other Participant's order to buy, while the Participant's trading limit shall be restored to the level of Prepayment and (or) Collaterals held by the Participant in accordance with the provisions of subpar. 3.2.8. On request of the Participant, Prepayment and (or) Collaterals shall be returned to the Participant.
- 3.2.15. The Participant may view its trading limit and (or) the additional trading limit through the ETS, and, while submitting the order to buy, the Participant must be sure that the trading limit and (or) the additional trading limit is sufficient for the fulfilment of the order.
- 3.2.16. The ETS shall automatically suspend the submission of the order to buy if the level of the trading limit and (or) the additional trading limit is insufficient. On this case, the Participant may only submit orders to buy upon paying the Prepayment, submitting the Collateral, and (or) paying up by the bank payment order the VAT invoices issued by the Operator for the product bought on the Exchange. Upon carrying out these actions, the Operator shall increase the trading limit in accordance with the procedure stipulated by subpar. 3.2.8 of this Regulation.
- 3.2.17. Upon cancelling the Participant's Contract, the Operator shall in 5 (five) working days repay the unused Prepayment and (or) Collaterals provided to the Participant if the Participant in full settled accounts with the Operator and has no pecuniary obligations.

- 3.2.18. The Operator shall be entitled to provide an additional trading limit that is not subject to the submission of any Collateral or Prepayment. The decision regarding the provision of the additional trading limit shall be adopted by the meeting of the Board members of the Operator with due consideration of the risk level of each Participant individually, based on such criteria as the Participant's financial position, the execution of their obligations to goods or services suppliers and other circumstances, which influence the financial risk.
- 3.2.19. The additional trading limit shall be added to the trading limit provided to the Participant as foreseen in subpar. 3.2.8 of this Regulation. The value of the additional trading limit shall upgrade the capability of the Participant to submit orders to buy.
- 3.2.20. In the event foreseen in subpar. 3.2.18 of the Regulation, the Operator shall be entitled to set the term of payment of VAT invoices other than one provided for by subpar. 3.3.8 of the Regulation. However, this term of payment shall not be shorter than 2 (two) working days.

3.3. Settlement Terms

- 3.3.1. The Participant shall pay for the services rendered by the Operator and the products bought on the Exchange according to the VAT invoice issued by the Operator.
- 3.3.2. The Operator shall settle accounts with the Participant for the products sold on the Exchange according to the VAT invoice issued by the Participant.
- 3.3.3. Unless the Participant instructs the Operator otherwise, the settlement for the products bought on the Exchange and for the services rendered by the Operator shall be effected in the following sequence:
- 3.3.3.1 Setting off the corresponding period amounts payable of the Operator for the Participant;
 - 3.3.3.2 By the Prepayment or the portion thereof;
 - 3.3.3.3 By the bank payment order executed by the Participant.
- 3.3.4. Every Monday, the Participant shall issue to the Operator the VAT invoice for the products sold for the delivery period of the previous week, specifying the volume and price of the product sold and applicable taxes. Based on an individual written agreement, the Participant and the Operator may agree that, instead of the Participant, the Operator will form VAT invoices for the products sold on the Exchange.
- 3.3.5. Every Monday, the Operator shall issue to the Participant the VAT invoice for the products bought by the Participant for the delivery period of the previous week, specifying the volume and price of the products bought and applicable taxes, and for the services rendered by the Operator according to the floating trading fee (for the volume of products bought and (or) sold on the Exchange).
- 3.3.6. If Monday is a day off, then the Participant and the Operator shall issue VAT invoices on the immediate following working day.
- 3.3.7. The Operator shall issue to the Participant the VAT invoice for the initial registration fee and for the annual membership fee immediately after granting the Participant's status. The VAT invoice for the annual membership fee for the next year shall be issued not later than on 10 January of that year.
- 3.3.8. The Participant shall pay up the VAT invoice issued by the Operator in 9 (nine) calendar days after the date of issuance of the VAT invoice, except the events stipulated in subpar. 3.3.14 of this Regulation.

- 3.3.9. The Operator shall pay up the VAT invoice issued by the Participant in 16 (sixteen) calendar days after the date of issuance of the VAT invoice, except the events stipulated in subpar. 3.3.14 of this Regulation.
- 3.3.10. If the latest date of payment due is a day off or an official holiday, then the immediate following working day shall be considered as the payment due date.
- 3.3.11. If the Participant delays or fails to settle accounts with the Operator within the time limits stipulated, the Operator shall charge the late payment interest in the amount of 0.04 % of the outstanding sum for each day of delay. The late payment interests shall be accrued the next day following the payment due date and shall be accrued as long as obligations to the Operator are fulfilled.
- 3.3.12. If the Operator delays or fails to settle accounts with the Participant within the time limits stipulated, the Participant shall charge the late payment interests in the amount of 0.04 % of the outstanding sum for each day of delay. The late payment interests shall be accrued the next day following the payment due date and shall be accrued as long as obligations to the Participant are fulfilled.
- 3.3.13. If the previous week includes the calendar days of two different months, two VAT invoices shall be issued:
- 3.3.13.1 one for the products bought or sold for the delivery period of the previous month days of that week and correspondingly for the services rendered by the Operator. This VAT invoices shall be issued on the last day of previous month.
- 3.3.13.2 the other for the products bought or sold for the delivery period of the current month days of that week and correspondingly for the services rendered by the Operator. These VAT invoices shall be issued on first Monday of the current month.
- 3.3.14. If VAT invoices are being issued according to the provisions of subpar. 3.3.13.1 of this Regulation, the term for payment is calculated from the nearest following Monday date after the VAT invoices issued day.
- 3.3.15. After the issuance of appropriate VAT invoices by the Participant and the Operator, the Operator on the same day shall submit to the Participant the payments set-off statement which is indicating the balance of amounts payable and receivable by the Participant. If the balance is positive, the Participant shall cover it by paying an appropriate amount to the bank account indicated by the Operator, if the balance is negative, it shall be covered by the Operator by paying an appropriate amount to the bank account indicated by the Participant.
- 3.3.16. Within 3 (three) working days from the submission of the payments set-off statement, the Participant shall inform the Operator if the Participant has any comments or adjustments regarding the accuracy of data of the payments set-off statement. If the Participant does not submit any comments or adjustments within the time limit stipulated, the payments set-off statement shall be treated as fit to both parties.
- 3.3.17. The Operator shall deliver VAT invoices to Participants and the Participants shall deliver VAT invoices to the Operator by e-mail.

4. RIGHTS, OBLIGATIONS AND RESPONSABILITY OF PARTIES

- 4.1. The Participant and the Representative authorized by it shall be bound by the provisions of this Regulation and legal acts indicated in subpar. 1.2.3 of the Regulation, which regulate trade in natural gas on the Exchange, shall conform with the requirements applied to legal acts, and shall not abuse and (or) manipulate the market.
- 4.2. If the Participant suspects the other Participant committing illegal actions or actions violating the Regulation – shall immediately notify this to the Operator.
- 4.3. The Identification data given to the Participant is intended exclusively to the Participant and may not be transferred or otherwise assigned to third parties. The Participant shall be responsible for the safe keeping of Identification data and shall assume the risk of any losses caused by the undue storage and application of Identification data.
- 4.4. The Participant shall bear comprehensive responsibility for all the orders submitted by the Participant, the transactions fulfilled by the Participant and other actions carried out by the Participant on the Exchange by means of the Identification data given to the Participant.
- 4.5. The Participant within 5 (five) working days shall deliver to the Operator the information required to duly carry out the monitoring of trade in natural gas (The List of information is provided in the Operator’s website) in accordance with the Supervision Rules. The Operator shall be entitled to request the information required to evaluate the financial standing of the Participant provided that this is required for the performance of the activity of the Exchange. The Operator shall keep all the confidential information submitted by the Participant in accordance with the procedure established by the legal acts.
- 4.6. The grounds of the origin and application of liability of the Operator and Participants shall be regulated by the Civil Code of the Republic of Lithuania.
- 4.7. The Operator shall not be liable for the losses or damage caused to the Participant, resulting from the Operator’s activity or inactivity if the Operator’s activity or inactivity was caused by:
 - 4.7.1. the illegal and (or) unreasonable non-fulfilment or undue fulfilment of obligations of other Participants operating on the Exchange;
 - 4.7.2. the suspension or disturbance of the ETS provided that these disturbances are caused by reasons beyond the will of the Operator;
 - 4.7.3. the undue submission of the contact data of the Participant and (or) by the undue contact data of the Participant;
 - 4.7.4. the actions of the Operator related to the performance of the duties stipulated by legal acts, including but not limited to market studies for revealing Participants who have a great impact on the market, commenced prejudicial inquiries regarding the breach of legal acts, the requests of competent institutions to disclose information, and etc.

- 4.8. The Operator shall reserve the right to request from the Participant to indemnify for the additional costs sustained by the Operator, related to the requests of the Participant, amendments to the order or transactions fulfilled by the Participant, or the acknowledgement of the orders or the transactions fulfilled by the Participants as null and void provided that the Participant submits such requests more frequently than once per week without using the ETS, with the exception of events when the actions of the Participant are caused by the disturbances of the ETS.
- 4.9. Upon submitting an order on the Exchange, the Participant shall ensure that the Representative of the Participant, who has submitted an order, will be accessible by means of communication facilities (by phone or by e-mail) during the Trading Session.
- 4.10. The Participant shall understand and acknowledge that the usage of e-mail may be risky and that the Operator cannot secure the confidentiality of information sent by e-mail.
- 4.11. Without prejudice to the requirement to secure the confidentiality of information, the Operator, in accordance with the procedure established by legal acts, shall have the right to submit the information and data related to the Participant's trade on the Exchange to third parties provided that this is required for the performance of the activity of the Exchange (to carry out accountancy, to form and issue invoices, to manage the reinforcement of debts, to develop and maintain the ETS, and so on) and for the submission of statements to institutions supervising the Operator's activity.

5. SUPERVISION OF TRADING ON THE EXCHANGE

- 5.1. The Operator shall carry out the day-to-day monitoring on the Exchange, shall carry out the consistent monitoring and evaluation of announcement of inside information, the usage of unpublished inside information, the application of available influence in the market, and the manipulations and other behaviour of Participants in accordance with the REMIT regulation and Supervision Rules.
- 5.2. Upon receiving the written and reasonable request of the Operator, the Participant shall submit to the Operator the mandatory information required for the Operator for the due performance of monitoring of trade in products on the Exchange. If the Participant does not fulfil the requests of the Operator, it may be imposed to the sanctions stipulated by subpar. 7.2.5 of this Regulation.
- 5.3. The Operator in accordance with the procedure set by the Commission shall submit data regarding the results of monitoring.
- 5.4. Actions or inactivity by which the Participant abuses the market shall be treated as a breach on the Exchange. Upon revealing a breach on the Exchange, the Operator shall immediately notify the events of the abuses committed and (or) the expected events of abuses to the Commission and Latvian and Estonian national regulatory authorities (if action is considered as breach is performed in Latvian and Estonian market areas) and shall undertake actions in accordance with the Supervision Rules.

6. COMMUNICATION AND THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF INFORMATION

- 6.1. Communication between the Operator and the Participant shall be carried out according to the contact data delivered by means of communication facilities (the ETS, e-mail, fax, and mail).

- 6.2. The Operator and the Participant shall indicate their contact data in the Participant's Contract, and, if contact data is amended – shall in writing notify, not later than within 2 (two) working days, the other party to the Participant's Contract.
- 6.3. Information shall be submitted in Lithuanian and (or) in English.
- 6.4. Notices and other important information shall be treated as delivered on the date of dispatch provided that it is sent in accordance with the provisions of subpar. 6.1 of this Regulation.
- 6.5. The Participant, in accordance with the REMIT regulation and Supervision Rules, shall submit inside information to the specialized platform in the Operator's website.
- 6.6. According to the contact data provided for by the Participant's Contract, the Operator may submit to the Participant information and data about trading on the Exchange and other information related to the natural gas market.
- 6.7. During the Trading Session, the Operator shall submit to the ETS the following information about trading results on a real time basis: fulfilled transactions and the orders submitted without identifying the Participants and the information about fulfilled transactions and the orders submitted by the Participant on the account of that Participant.
- 6.8. After the completion of the Trading Session, not later than until 15:00 p.m., the Operator shall publish the results of the Trading Session as well as the volume and weighted average price of the products of a specific delivery period traded on the Operator's website.
- 6.9. The Participant shall give to the Operator its consent to use the data of trading on the Exchange and to publish it provided that the anonymity of the Participant is secured.
- 6.10. All the data and information of communication or conversations between the Operator and the Participant conducted by means of the ETS or other communication facilities may be recorded and kept by the Operator in compliance with the effective legal acts. As the need may be, these records may be applied for the purposes of administration of the Exchange.
- 6.11. The Operator shall treat the data submitted by the Participant and its activity on the Exchange as confidential information and take all possible actions so that this confidential information would not be disclosed to other parties, with the exception of the events stipulated by this Regulation and legal acts.

7. OTHER PROVISIONS

7.1. Force Majeure Circumstances

- 7.1.1. The Operator and (or) the Participant shall not be liable for the non-fulfilment of an obligation resulting from force majeure circumstances as the parties were not aware and (or) could not be aware of the existence and origin of these circumstances, could not control them, and could not prevent the origin of these circumstances and (or) the consequences caused by them.
- 7.1.2. The fulfilment of obligations which is impossible due to force majeure circumstances shall be postponed to the date approved by the Operator and the Participant or until the expiration of the period required to eliminate the consequences of the event.

- 7.1.3. The Operator and the Participant shall, not later than within 1 (one) working day, inform each other of the origin of force majeure circumstances and that the fulfilment of the obligations undertaken is impossible due to the force majeure circumstances.
- 7.1.4. If the force majeure circumstances arise, the Participant shall submit to the Operator the evaluation of the impact of force majeure circumstances and reasonable information regarding the scope of consequences of the event caused by force majeure circumstances and the duration of elimination thereof.
- 7.1.5. The Operator and the Participant shall make all efforts to avoid the consequences caused by force majeure circumstances and, if the consequences arise – to eliminate them.

7.2. Amendments, Cancellations, and Withdrawals of Documents

- 7.2.1. The Regulation and trading fees may be amended provided that the Commission gives its consent thereto.
- 7.2.2. The Operator shall publish amendments to the Regulation and (or) other documentation on the Operator's website just after the relevant decision is taken.
- 7.2.3. If the Participant does not give its consent to amendments to the Regulation, it shall be entitled to cancel the Participant's Contract by notifying in writing the Operator before the effective date of amendments.
- 7.2.4. The effective date of the Regulation and amendments thereto shall be 3 (three) working days from the date of the decision of the Commission to approve the Regulation or amendments thereto and the publication of the Regulation or amendments thereto on the Operator's website.
- 7.2.5. For the breaches of provisions of the Regulation, the Participant's Contract and (or) the legal acts regulating trade in natural gas on the Exchange, the Operator may impose to the Participant the following sanctions:
 - 7.2.5.1 Warning regarding the suspension of the Participant's possibility to submit the orders or withdraw of the Participant's Status;
 - 7.2.5.2 To restrict the Participant's possibility to submit orders on the Exchange;
 - 7.2.5.3 To withdraw the Participant's Status by cancelling the Participant's Contract.
- 7.2.6. After the suspension of the Participant's possibility to submit orders or the withdrawal of the Participant's status all the orders submitted by the Participant, which have not yet been fulfilled on the Exchange shall be withdrawn.
- 7.2.7. The Participant, whom the status of Participant are being restricted according to the provisions of subpar. 2.2.9 and (or) the sanctions established in subpar. 7.2.5 of this Regulation are applied, except the event foreseen in subpar. 7.2.5.3, shall deliver to the Operator an explanation and all the needed documents for a discovered breach and (or) wrongful within 30 (thirty) calendar days. The Operator shall adopt a motivated decision for withdrawal of the sanctions applied to the Participant, not later than within 5 (five) working days from the date when all the documents were submitted. If the decision is to withdraw the applied sanctions, the restricted rights of the Participant shall be recovered, not later than within 5 (five) working days after the relevant decision is taken. If the Participant fails to submit a reasonable and motivated explanation satisfying the Operator within the period established, the sanctions imposed shall remain in force or even severe sanctions shall be imposed by the decision of the Operator.

7.2.8. The Participant and the Operator shall have the right to cancel the Participant's Contract by notifying this in writing to the other party to the contract by the 30 (thirty) calendar day prior notice. Except the event foreseen in subpar. 7.2.3 of the Regulation when the Participant's Contract is cancelled the following working day after the date of receipt of a request.

8. SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES

- 8.1. All the relationships formed amongst the Operator, Entities and (or) Participants shall be subject to the application of this Regulation and law of the Republic of Lithuania.
 - 8.2. Any disputes arising amongst the Operator, Entities, and Participants shall be settled in a way of negotiations. If the parties fail to settle a dispute in a way of negotiations, the dispute shall be subject to jurisdiction courts of general competence of the Republic of Lithuania in accordance with the judicial procedure.
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