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ABBREVIATIONS

APEE	– Action plan for energy efficiency
BDP	– Gross domestic product
GFEC	– Gross final energy consumption
GHG	– Greenhouse gases
EESC	– Scenario with applied energy efficiency measures
NREAP	– National Renewable Energy Action Plan
RES	– Renewable energy sources
FEC	– Final energy consumption
REFSC	– Reference (base) scenario
SDG	– District heating system
STV	– Sanitary hot water
LR-ECT	– Law on Ratification of the SEE Energy Community Treaty

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FOREWORD

Dear reader,

In the last two years the Netherlands and Serbia have established a close cooperation in the field of renewable energy. The consultations and the exchanges were made possible by the Government to Government (G2G) facility administered by NL Agency, aimed at helping capacity building and knowledge in Serbian institutions in view of the Serbian preparations for EU integration.

Serbia's energy and power transmission networks are already in many ways connected to European networks. EU integration will require the harmonization of regulations and policies regarding energy, energy efficiency and renewable energy with those of the EU. The Netherlands participation in the development of the Serbian National Renewable Energy Action Plan (NREAP) is a follow-up of the successful program defining the optimum framework for use of biomass in Serbia. By working together on these projects we defined and implemented a common approach for the use of renewable energy and a harmonized Europe-wide policy in this sector.

Renewable energy is necessary in view of the developments in the energy sector and environmental policy. The aim is achieving more diversification in the Serbian energy portfolio in favor of renewable energy sources. Serbia, as a net energy importer, will gain substantial economic benefits by increasing the proportion of renewable energy sources in the energy mix. Serbia has a strong renewable energy potential from hydropower, biomass and wind power. The work that the Netherlands and Serbian experts did together on the NREAP, will bring Serbia closer to using the full capacity of its potential in renewables.

The Action Plan is one of the tangible results of this cooperation. The document is a tribute to the long hours that Dutch and Serbian experts and decision makers put in. Without their effort the NREAP and the success of the G2G would not be possible. Personally, I do hope that the excellent cooperation that started with these projects, will continue developing and will further strengthen our ties with Serbian experts in field of energy.

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INTRODUCTION

National Renewable Energy Action Plan (NREAP) is the document presenting the framework policy of the Republic of Serbia and setting the pathway in the field of RES until 2020. Its aim is to enhance and encourage investments into green energy field.

Preparation of the NREAP in the presented form (questions and answers) arose from the international commitment undertaken by the Republic of Serbia in 2006 by the „Law on Ratification of the Treaty Establishing Energy Community between the European Community and the Republic of Albania, Republic of Bulgaria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Republic of Croatia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Republic of Montenegro, Romania, Republic of Serbia and Temporary Mission of UN on Kosovo in compliance with the Resolution 1244 of the UN Security Council („Off-Gazette of the Ros” No. 62/2006)”.

Pursuant to the Article 20 of the Treaty Establishing Energy Community (LR-ECT), the Republic of Serbia accepted the commitment to apply European Directives in the field of renewable energy sources (RES)-Directive 2001/77/EC plan for the promotion of electricity from renewable energy sources and the Directive 2003/30/EC on the promotion of biofuels or other fuels produced from renewable energy sources for transport. Since 2009 the said Directives were gradually replaced and in January they were repealed by a new Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and Council, dated 23.4.2009 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources and amendments and then abolition of Directives 2001/77/EC and 2003/30/EC (Directive 2009/28/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 April 2009 on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable sources and amending and subsequently repealing Directives 2001/77/EC and 2003/30/EC CELEX No. 32009L0028). In 2006 the Republic of Serbia ratified the Treaty establishing Energy Community – the Treaty (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 62/2006) - thus undertaking, pursuant to the Article 20, to adopt and implement a plan for the promotion of electricity from renewable energy sources (RES) in compliance with the Directive 2001/77/EC and of biofuel or other fuels produced from renewable energy sources for transport in compliance with the Directive 2003/30/EC. In 2009 the said Directives were repealed with a new Directive 2009/28/EC on the promotion of the use of energy from renewable energy sources. Pursuant to the new Directive, managing the energy consumption and an increased use of energy from renewable energy sources, together with the energy savings and an increased energy efficiency, are important components of the package of measures required for the reduction of emission of GHG. The Directive 2009/28/EC, as a legal act of the European Union refers to the Treaty establishing Energy Community for the first time, and envisages measures for the cooperation between the EU member countries and the Parties to the Treaty aimed at their mutual benefit.

In line with the Directive 2009/28/EC binding goals were set for the members of the European Union in order to provide that the renewable energy

sources in the 2020 participate with 20% in the gross final energy consumption (GFEC) at the level of the European Union. Binding national goals of the EU member countries are defined in the part A of the Annex I and they are consistent with the goal that the share of renewable energy sources will be minimum 20 % in the gross final energy consumption at the EU level in 2020. Within the effort to fulfill the share of RES u GFEC, each member country is bound to provide the share of energy from renewable energy sources in all forms of transport of minimum 10% of the gross final energy consumption in the transport sector of that member state in 2020. In addition, improvement of energy efficiency is a key task for achieving the improvement of 20 % in energy efficiency until 2020 at the EU level. The Directive envisages that every EU member country shall prepare National Action Plan for Renewable Energy Sources (NREAP) in line with the adopted template for the preparation of that document (Decision 2009/548/EC). National Action Plan sets national goals for the share of energy from renewable energy sources in the sectors of transport, electricity and heating and cooling until 2020, taking into account effects of energy efficiency measures on gross final energy consumption iand adequate measures to be taken with an aim of achieving national goals, including cooperation between the local, regional and national authorities, planned statistical transfers or joint projects.

According to the Directive 2009/28/EC, European Community undertook to achieve the goal of the share of energy from renewable energy sources of 20 % in gross final energy consumption (GFEC) in 2020. Binding national goals defined in the part A of the Annex I are consistent with the goal that the share of renewable energy sources shall be minimum 20 % in gross final energy consumption of the European Community in 2020. Within the scope of fulfillment of the defined share of RES in GFEC each EU member country is bound to ensure the share of energy from renewable energy sources in all forms of transport in 2020, amounting to minimum 10 % of the final energy consumption in transport in that member country. Additionally, enhancement of energy efficiency is the key task of the Community and there is a goal to achieve 20 % improvement in the energy efficiency until 2020. The Directive envisages that each member of the European Community shall prepare a national action plan for renewable energy sources (NREAP) in compliance with the adopted template for the preparation of this document (Decision 2009/548/EC). National action plan sets naitonal goals regarding the share of energy from renewable energy sources in the transport sector, electricity and heating and cooling sector until 2020, taking into account the effects of energy efficiency improvement measures on the final energy consumption and adequate measures that should be aimed at achieving national goals, including cooperation between local, regional and national authorities, planned statistic transfers or jont projects.

The same Methodology from the Directive (defined in articles 5 to 11) which was applied for the calculation of goalsin the field of RES for EU member countries, was also applied for defining the bounding share of RES in GFEC in 2020 for each state member of the Energy Community, with the only difference

that the base year for the calculation for these countries was set to 2009 instead of 2005.

In accordance with the Directive 2009/28/EC and the Decision of the Council of Ministers of the European Community dtd. 18 October 2012 (D/2012/04/MS-EnZ) a very ambitious binding target was set for the Republic of Serbia, amounting to 27 % renewable energy sources u njenoj gross final energy consumption in 2020.[1]. At the same time, it was defined that the National Action Plan for renewable energy sources of the Republic of Serbia should be prepared, in compliance with the adopted template for the preparation of this document (Decision 2009/548/EC).

In compliance with the Directive 2009/28/EC and the Decision of the Ministerial Council of the Energy Community of 18 October 2012, binding target for the Republic of Serbia was defined, amounting to 27 % of renewable energy sources in gross final energy consumption in 2020[1]. At the same time, it was defined that the National action plan for renewable energy sources of the Republic of Serbia should be prepared, in compliance with the adopted template for the preparation of this document (Decision 2009/548/EC).

According to this Decision LR-ECT is bound to bring laws, regulations and administrative provisions which will be in compliance with the Directive 2009/28/EC until 1 January 2014.

By the Decision of the Ministerial Council of the Energy Community of 18 October 2012, Article 20, the Treaty was amended to prescribe that the Parties to the Treaty are bound to apply the Directive 2009/28/EC. Each party to the Treaty is bound to adopt laws, regulations and administrative provisions which shall be in compliance with the Directive, by the 1 January 2014.

This Action Plan will be constantly improved and harmonized with the state priorities and economic development of the country.

In the preparation of NREAP, the Republic of Serbia got assistance from the Kingdom of Netherlands through the Porject „Development of legal framework for the use of renewable energy sources” within a G2G Programme (Government to Government Programme).

1 SUMMARY OF NATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY POLICY

National goals and the plan of the use of renewable sources of the Republic of Serbia are set By the Energy Law („Official Gazette of the RoS”, No. 57/11, 80/11 – correction and 93/12), Chapter VI-Energy from renewable energy sources and incentives, title 1. National goals and the plan of utilization of renewable sources. Thus, among other things, Article 52 of the Law envisages that the Government, on proposal of the Ministry in charge of energy-related affairs, shall bring the Natioan Action Plan, which sets the targets for the use of renewable energy sources for the period of minimum 10 years. Targets are set on the basis of energy needs, economic capabilities and commitments of the Republic of Serbia undertaken in ratified international agreements.

Quantities and structure of energy reserves of fossil fuels available in the Republic of Serbia are not encouraging (lignite with its total exploitation reserves of about 13.350 Mt represents the most important domestic energy resource). Reserves of quality energy carriers, like oil and gas are very small (less than 1% of the total energy reserves of Serbia) and the biggest reserves are in the low-quality lignites (about 92% in the total balance reserves). Dependence of Serbia on the energy import in 2010 amounted to about 33,6%. In the future, the most importantsnt task for the Republic of Serbia will be to provide safe, quality and reliable supply of energy and energy carriers and reduce the energy dependence of the country. these terms, basic goals of the energy policy of the Republic of Serbia were defined, namely:

- development of energy-related infrastructure,
- diversification of energy sources in order to ensure security of supply,
- introduction of modern technologies in the energy sector (particularly technologies that will enhance the economic development of the country)
- reduction of growth of the final energy consumption,
- increase of energy efficiency and
- increased use of renewable energy sources.

Renewable energy sources

Renewable energy sources¹ with an estimated technically usable potential of about 6 Mtoe per annum (Figure 1 [2]) can have a considerable contribution to a lesser utilization of fossil fuels and achievement of defined targets regarding the

¹Energy from renewable energy sources is the energy produced from non-fossil renewable sources like: waterflows, biomass, wind, sun, biogas, landfill gas, gas from the sewage water treatment plants and geothermal energy sources (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoSNo. 57/11, 80/11 – correction, 93/12 i 124/12).

Energyfrom renewable energy sources is the energy from non-fossi renewable sources, namely: wind power, solar, aerothermal, geothermal, hydrothermal energy, ocean power, hydro-power, biomass, landfillgas, gas from the waste treatment plants and biogas (Directive 2009/28/EC).

share of renewable sources in the final energy consumption, as well as regarding the improvement of environment. The biomass potential amounts to approximately 3,3 Mtoe per year, out of which 1,7 Mtoe in hydropotential (0,8 Mtoe per year is the unused, and 0,9 Mtoe per year is the used hydropotential), 0,2 Mtoe per year in geothermal energy, 0,2 Mtoe per year in wind energy and 0,6 Mtoe per year in solar energy. Out of the total available technical potential of renewable energy sources, the Republic of Serbia already uses 33% (0,9 Mtoe of used hydro-ppotentai and 1,06 Mtoe of used biomass potential).

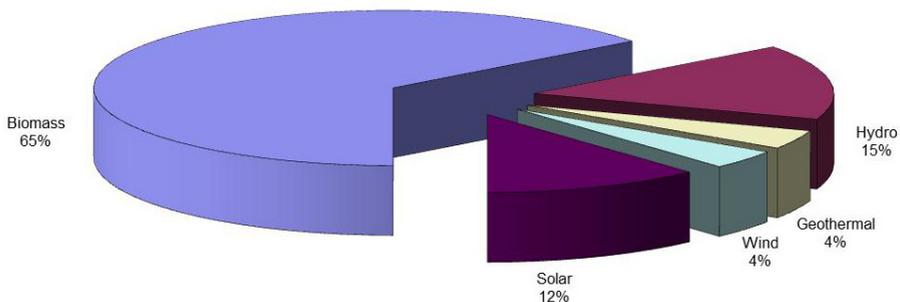


Figure 1: Structure of RES in the Republic of Serbia

In the previous period, the use of renewable energy sources was based on the electricity generation from large river flows and the use of biomass mostly for household heating and to a lesser part in industry. According to the data from the energy balance for 2009, the share of electricity in the gross final energy consumption amounted to 9,6 % (28,7 % in the electricity sector), while the share of heat from biomass amounted to 11,5 % (27,5 % in heating and cooling sector) [3].

In the period from 2009 to the present days the interest in the use of renewable energy sources has been constantly growing, but the number of newly built structures is relatively small (about 40 energy entities with the privileged electricity producer status). An increased interest for the construction of facilities using renewable energy sources started with the enactment of the following regulations:

- Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/11, 80/11 – correction and 93/12),
- Decree on amendments and supplements of the Decree on Establishing the Energy Sector Development Strategy Implementation Programme of the Republic of Serbia until 2015 for the period of 2007 to 2012 - renewable energy sources (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 99/2009),

- Decree on Requirements for Obtaining the Privileged Electricity Producer Status (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009) and
- Decree on incentive measures for Electricity from Renewable Energy Sources and Combined Heat and Power Production (Official Gazette of the RoS 99/2009).

In compliance with the ratified Treaty, the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – correction, 93/2012 и 124/2012) was adopted which clearly states that the use of renewable energy sources is in the interest of the Republic of Serbia (Article 52.), the complete chapter is dedicated to renewable energy sources.

Goals of the energy policy of the Republic of Serbia concerning greater use of RES can be achieved through the implementation of the following activities:

- construction of new facilities that meet requirements regarding energy efficiency and the use of RES,
- energy-based rehabilitation of buildings and introduction of RES in the building sector (mainly in the public sector),
- replacement of heating oil, coal and natural gas used for heating with biomass and other RES,
- introduction district heating systems based on the use of RES and combined heat and power production ,
- replacement of the use of electricity for the production of sanitary hot water with solar energy and other RES ,
- electricity generation from RES,
- introduction of biofuel and other RES in the transport sector and
- development of distribution network for the connection of smaller electricity producers,
- the use and production of equipment and technologies that will enable a more efficient use of energy and RES.

The key activities to be undertaken for achieving the said goals comprise:

- ensuring the leading role of the public sector in implementing the efficient use of energy and RES,
- setting efficient use of energy and RES as one of priorities in the Energy Sector Development Strategy of the Republic of Serbia in such a manner as to stimulate economic development of the country (production technologies for green energy),
- consistent implementation of the planned measures in the field of RES and more energy efficient consumption energy defined in the policy documents of the country,
- development of sustainable production of biomass, biogasa and of biofuel by means of highly efficient technologies and ensuring financial support for such development, and
- forming of a biomass market.

For achieving of the said goals in the field of RES, the Government of the Republic of Serbia shall apply the following support measures:

- adoption and enhancement of the legal framework which will stimulate a more energy efficient use of energy and more extensive use of RES,
- economic incentive measures (through continuation of the already established support scheme for electricity generation from renewable energy sources and combined heat and electricity generation with a high process efficiency, as well as the preparation of a similar programme for heat at the local level), direct financial stimulations and corresponding taxation policy,
- measures that will stimulate a sustainable biomass market,
- enhancement of administrative procedures for investment in the field of RES and verification of their efficiency through demonstration projects,
- systematic promotion of best practices applied in the EU countries (efficient use of energy and RES),
- introduction of an organized system of energy management (energy management system) and
- systematic project planning in the field of RES.

Assumptions in the Action Plan

The Action Plan is prepared in accordance with the EU methodology and standards EU, on the basis of all relevant data in the field of energy and renewable energy sources in the Republic of Serbia.

Due to incomplete balancing of RES by the Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia (currently the balance covers hydro-potential, wood biomass for heating purposes and geothermal energy) and desiring to prepare an indicative road map for achieving the goal on the basis of which the binding target was devised (primarily with respect to the forecast of GFEC in 2020), the data from the following documents were used for elaboration of the Action Plan:

- Study “Biomass Consumption Survey for Energy Purposes in the Energy Community - Republic of Serbia” - Study on biomass consumption in 2009/2010 and 2010/2011, prepared for the calculation of the binding share of RES for each member of the Energy Community by the Centre for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving (CRES), 2011, [4],
- Study “Emergency Oil Stocks in the Energy Community Level” – Study on mandatory reserves in compliance with the Directive 2009/119/EC, prepared by the Energy Institute Hrvoje Požar, 2011., [5]
- “Strategic and Development Projects of the Electric Power Industry of Serbia” – review of planned structure of development of capacities in the electric power sector, Electric Power Industry of Serbia, 2011., [6],
- Study “Identification and Assessment of Biomass Heating Applications in Serbia” – Study on the possibilities of use of biomass in the district heating

system – improvement of energy efficiency and replacement of conventional fuels (lignite and heating oil) with biomass, prepared by USAID, 2010, [7],

- Study “Building Capacities for the Use and Promotion of Solar Energy in the Republic of Serbia - Analysis of Existing Offer and Potential Demand for Solar Systems in Serbian Market”, Mercados, 2010., [8],
- Plans for development of capacities in the transport sector for the needs of production and distribution of biofuel, prepared on the basis of existing capacities and plans of the leading companies in that field.

In view of the fact that the Action Plan was prepared for the period until 2020 and a great number of variable factors influencing the utilization of renewable energy sources (first of all the economic development of country and market) it was necessary to adopt certain assumptions. Having in mind a large number of adopted assumptions, different data can be obtained also in the energy sector with respect to those which will be actually executed. All that implies the need for constant updating and improvement of this Plan in line with the priorities of the Republic of Serbia in the energy sector.

Constant updating is necessary also due to the preparation of corresponding reports on implementation and achieved progress in accordance with the Action Plan. Achievement of targets set by the action plan will be monitored each two years through a progress report and will be submitted to the Energy Community (Article 15. Decisions of the Council of Ministers of the Energy Community [1]). Reporting on the energy balance of the country, including, is always done for the previous year. These data will be submitted to the Energy Community. International Energy Agency and Eurostat (on the basis of Decree (EC) No. 1099/2008 of the European Parliament and Council dated 22 October 2008 on statistics in energy sector)².

² Pursuant to the Energy Law adopted in July 2004, the Ministry for Infrastructure and Energy started the elaboration of the energy balance in compliance with the methodology of Eurostat and the International Energy Agency. The Energy Balance is made for three years: realization in the previous year, assessment of the situation in the current year, plan for the forthcoming year. Republic Statistical Office started in 2005 establishment of energy-related statistics, so that only in 2009 majority of energy balances was encompassed and prepared (balance of electricity and heat, balance of coal, balance of natural gas, balance of oil and oil derivatives, balance of geothermal energy, balance of heating wood), while the energy statistics in the field of renewable energy sources is still not established in full. Hence, the Ministry launched with the Republic Statistical Office, as from 2009, harmonization of data referring to the implementation of energy balance in order to obtain unique and as good quality and reliable data on the production and consumption in the energy sector as possible. This is necessary because the Ministry in charge for the energy balance is responsible for submission of data to the International Energy Agency, and the IEA questionnaires on energy are filled by Republic Statistical Office after the completion of harmonization of data. Thus it might be stated that a significant progress was made in Serbia since 2009 in the field of energy-related statistics.

2 EXPECTED FINAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION 2010-2020

For the preparation of the National Action Plan for renewable energy sources two scenarios were developed for defining the gross final energy consumption (GFEC) until 2020, as well as scenarios of energy consumption per sectors (electricity sector, sector of heating and cooling and transport sector). The modeling have been performed by Dutch consultancy firm ECOFYS which have been involved in G2G project.

The following scenarios were developed:

- reference (baseline) scenario (REFSC)
- scenario with applied energy efficiency measures (EESC).

Reference scenario does not take into account the energy saving measures, but is based on the increase of GFEC in compliance with envisaged economic growth in the given period. The scenario with applied energy efficiency measures takes into account the saving of primary energy in the households and public and commercial sector, industry and transport sectors, defined within the Action Plan for Energy Efficiency of 2010 [9].

The scenarios have been developed on the basis of the adopted Energy Balance of the Republic of Serbia for 2009³ [3] and the goals and commitments

For further improvement of energy balance it is necessary to achieve full establishment of the energy-related statistics in the field of renewable energy sources and conducting of research on the energy consumption, which would enable preparation of energy indicators as well.

³Energy balance of the Republic of Serbia for 2009 has been corrected on the basis of data on biomass consumption. As there were no quality and detailed data on biomass consumption from the countries – parties to the UOEZ Energy Community organized, within its activities regarding renewable energy sources, a research on the consumption of biomass in 2009 and 2010. On the basis of that research revision of the energy balance for 2009 was made, and the new data on the consumption of biomass in 2010 established by research were included in the energy balance for 2010, so that on the grounds of new indicators of biomass consumption the energy balance for 2011 (assessment of the status) was prepared, as well as the plan for 2012.

Oscillations in the data on energy production and consumption in Serbia have existed for several years back, not only because of correction of data on the production and consumption of biomass (primarily since 2009 until present days.), but also due to the following reasons:

- gas crisis in 2009, resulting in reduced import of natural gas (import of natural gas was lower for almost 30% with respect to 2008),
- significant increase in the production of domestic natural gas (over 30) and crude oil (over 40%),
- reduction of the domestic refinery processing, i.e. domestic production of oil derivatives, and significant increase in the import of oil derivatives,
- as the result of good hydrology, the production of electricity in hydro-power plants in 2009 and 2010 was significantly higher with respect to 2011, when the

defined during negotiations with the Energy Community (Annex I [5]). The share of renewable energy sources in the GFEC in 2009 amounted to 21,2 %, and the target set for 2020 is 27 %, with the understanding that the share of renewable energy sources in the transport sector should amount to 10 % [1]. The Table 1 shows estimated values for GFEC in the Republic of Serbia coordinated with the forecast (results of the model used) made by the Energy Community (Annex I [5]). Besides, the presented scenarios of energy consumption and the share of RES in energy consumption until 2020 were not adopted on the basis of expected development of the Republic of Serbia in the period under consideration, but on the basis of the model applied for all Parties to the Treaty and on the basis of assumptions adopted in the model. Energy consumption and the share of RES depend on a large number of factors like economical, technological, political, social and demographic ones. Bearing in mind the said influential parameters and the possibility of their impact on the energy sector development, a realistic expectation is that certain adaptations of NREAP will be necessary in the considered period until 2020.

The target estimate for RES for 2020 was defined on the basis of three parameters [10]:

- basic share of RES – the share of renewable energy sources in GFEC in 2009,
- flat rate of increase of the share of RES, and
- additional residual effort determined on the basis of relative gross domestic product (GDP) per capita.

The starting value for the calculation is the GFEC in 2009 which is defined as energy consumption with losses in transmission and distribution and with own consumption in the electricity and heat sector, but which does not take into account the non-energy-related consumption. In compliance with this definition and the Eurostat methodology, GFEC was calculated as the final energy consumption (FEC) increased for own consumption in the sector of electricity and heat and losses in distribution and transmission. Real consumption of renewable energy sources must be averaged due to the impacts of extremely dry or rainy years on the production of energy in hydro-power plants. The EU methodology requires that the production of energy in hydro-power plants be averaged for the period of 15 years (on the basis of data from the previous years) and that the average value for the period from 1995 to 2009 is determined in this way.

Flat rate of increase of the share of renewable energy sources until 2020 amounts to 4,4 % (in the process of defining goals for the Parties to the Treaty,

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- poor hydrology (from april to the end of 2011) resulted in a considerable drop of the use of hydropotential, and the production of hydr-power plants is lesser for 28% compared to 2010,
- due to poor hydrology, in 201 production of electricity in thermal power plants and TPP-HP rises significantly, and the production of coal increases primarily because of the thermal power plants requirement.

the Energy Community lowered the flat rate from 5,5 % to 4,4 %) with respect to the share in GFEC in 2009. The value of the flat rate of increase is defined as one half of the average value of increase of the use of RES for 27 EU member countries for the period from 2005 to 2020. Position of the Energy Community is that the Parties to the Treaty have started the process of the use and promotion of RES considerably later than the EU countries and from a different base year. The defined value of the flat rate of increase is the same for all Parties to the Treaty, and consequently for the Republic of Serbia, too.

As it was established that there exists a dependence between the GDP and the energy intensity, the parameter of additional residual effort was introduced. Additional residual effort is in correlation with the GDP per capita and it was determined for the Parties to the Treaty as well as for the EU countries. The average value of GDP per capita for EU members amounts to 23.500 €/ capita, and the additional residual effort to 0,148 toe/capita, where the influence of the economic crisis in the world was taken into consideration. According to the developed model [5], it was determined for the Republic of Serbia that the GDP per capita for 2009 amounts to 4.062 €/capita, and the additional residual effort to 0,026 toe/capita.

The complete methodology of calculation of GFEC and RES in 2020 is given in the Annex I.

Energy consumption per sectors is defined on the basis of energy balances for 2009, 2010 and 2011, as well as available statistical data for the said sectors. Projections of GFEC and of energy consumption per sectors were defined with respect to 2009 and for both scenarios (REFSC and EESC).

Gross final energy consumption (GFEC) without applied energy efficiency measures will grow in the reviewed period from 9.149,7 ktoe in 2009 to 10.330,6 ktoe in 2020, which represents a growth of 12,9 %. Out of all three sectors of energy consumption, the largest part of energy consumption lies in the heating and cooling sector (45,3 % in 2009, i.e. 45,5 % in 2020). The share of the transport sector in GFEC is the lowest (21,1 % in 2009, i.e. 22,6 % in 2020). Transport sector will achieve the highest increase of energy consumption i.e. from 1.926 ktoe to 2.675 ktoe, which means a growth of 38,9 %. According to REFSC scenario, energy consumption in the heating and cooling sector will be increased from 4.144 ktoe to 4.231 ktoe, which is a growth of 2,1 %. Energy consumption in the electricity sector will be increased from 3.079 ktoe to 3.425 ktoe, so that the increase of energy consumption in this sector will amount to 11,2 %. For the elaboration of EESC scenario goals defined in the first Action Plan for Energy Efficiency (APEE) of the Republic of Serbia for the period od 2010. until 2012 [9] were used. According to APEE it was defined that the indicative target of the state energy saving amounts in average to 1 % per year, that is minimum 9 % of the final energy consumption in the ninth year of implementation (2018), which totals 752,4 ktoe [9]. Additionally, assumption that in the period from 2018 to 2020 energy savings of 1 % will be made was introduced, so that the total energy savings in the period from 2010 to 2020 amount to 10 %, i.e. 836 ktoe.

Anticipated character of the growth of GFEC in the sectors of thermal energy, electricity and transport as per both scenarios is shown in Figures 2 i 3.

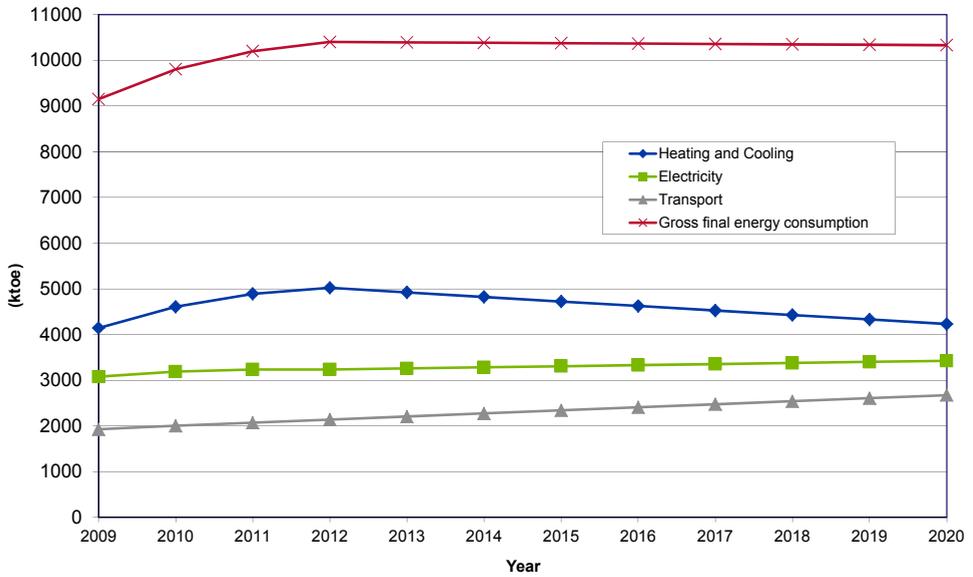


Figure 2:GFEC – REFSC (Table 1)

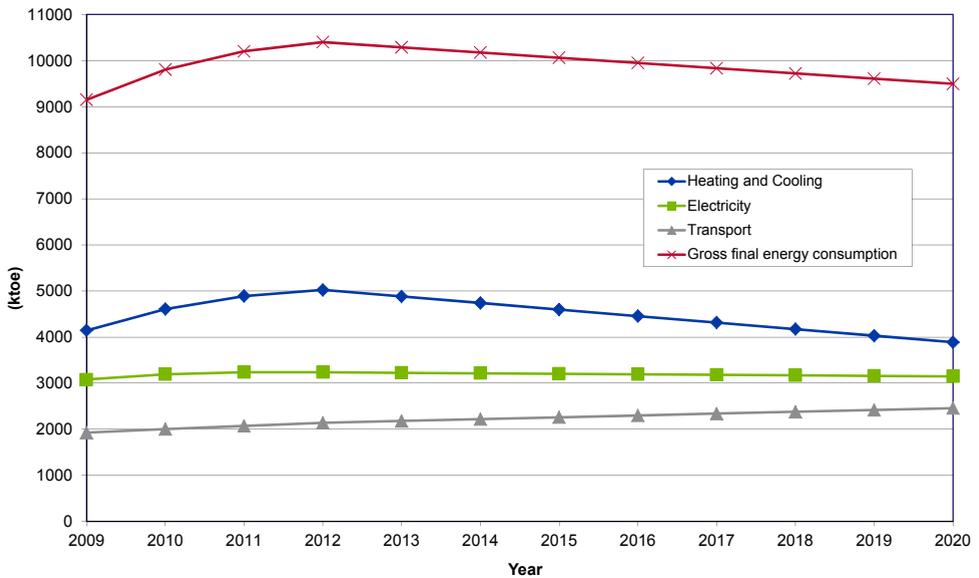


Figure3:GFEC – EESC (Table 1)

Table 1: Expected gross final energy consumption in the Republic of Serbia in the areas of heating and cooling, electricity and transport until 2020, taking into account the impact of energy efficiency and energy saving measures 2010 – 2020 (ktoe)

	2009	2010		2011		2012		2013		2014	
	Base year	Reference scenario	Additional energy efficiency								
Heating and cooling	4.144	4.608	4.608	4.890	4.890	5.023	5.023	4.923	4.881	4.823	4.739
Electricity	3.079	3.191	3.191	3.237	3.237	3.237	3.237	3.260	3.226	3.284	3.215
Transport	1.926	2.005	2.005	2.073	2.073	2.140	2.140	2.208	2.180	2.275	2.220
GFEC	9.150	9.804	9.804	10.200	10.200	10.400	10.400	10.391	10.287	10.383	10.174

	2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020	
	Reference scenario	Additional energy efficiency										
Heating and cooling	4.724	4.597	4.625	4.456	4.527	4.314	4.428	4.172	4.329	4.030	4.231	3.888
Electricity	3.307	3.203	3.331	3.192	3.354	3.181	3.378	3.170	3.401	3.159	3.425	3.148
Transport	2.343	2.260	2.409	2.299	2.476	2.339	2.542	2.379	2.609	2.419	2.675	2.458
GFEC	10.374	10.060	10.365	9.947	10.357	9.834	10.348	9.721	10.339	9.608	10.331	9.495

3 RENEWABLE ENERGY TARGET AND TRAJECTORIES

3.1 National overall target

Pursuant to the Energy Balance for 2009, the share of RES in GFEC amounted to 21,2 % [3, 5]. Until 2020, the Republic of Serbia should increase the share of RES to 27,0 %. In compliance with the envisaged GFEC, the quantity of renewable energy sources should amount to 2.563,6 ktoe in 2020, meaning that in the period from 2009 to 2020 the increase of RES amount to 621,0 ktoe should be achieved. Having in mind the available potential of renewable energy sources and unused potentials, the Republic of Serbia can achieve the target set for 2020 from the domestic sources, except regarding the binding share of biofuels of 10 % in the transport sector in 2020. Taking into account the currently available capacities for the production of second generation biofuels from biomass which meets the parameters regarding GHG emissions, as well as the non-existence of the legislation and the relevant infrastructure for its application in the field of biofuels, the Republic of Serbia will have to plan import of biofuels in 2018.

Table 2: National overall target for the share of energy from renewable sources in gross final consumption of energy in 2009 and 2020

A. Share of energy from renewable sources in gross final consumption of energy in 2009 (S 2009) (%)	21,2
B. Target of energy from renewable sources in gross final consumption of energy in 2020 (S 2020) (%)	27,0
C. Expected total adjusted energy consumption in 2020 (from Table 1, last cell) (ktoe)	9.495,0
D. Expected amount of energy from renewable sources corresponding to the 2020 target (calculated as B x C) (ktoe)	2.563,6

3.2 Sectoral scenarios and trajectories

The Table 3 shows expected trajectories (indicative paths) of the share of energy from renewable energy sources in the electricity, heating and cooling and transport sectors. These trajectories were developed for all three sectors on the basis of available data on expected energy consumption in each of these three sectors and projects planned to be implemented in that period, all in compliance with goals defined in the Energy Sector Development Strategy until 2015 [11] and other planning documents of the Republic of Serbia.

With respect to the terms of Directive 2009/28/EC, the method of setting the trajectory (Annex I of the Directive), i.e. the share of renewable energy sources per years until 2020 has been changed. All mentioned changes have been harmonized in the negotiations between the Energy Community and the Parties the Treaty (Republic of Serbia). All changes occurred due to the shift of the commencement of implementation of the Directive 2009/28/EC by the Parties to

the Treaty compared to the EU members (2009 for the Parties to the Treaty, and 2005 for the EU member countries).

The share of renewable energy sources in the electricity sector will amount to 37 %, in the heating and cooling sector it will amount to 30 % and in the transport sector to 10 %, in 2020. All these individual goals will enable meeting of the joint goal of 27 % in GFEC and they are not fixed goals for each individual sector. The sectoral goals can be changed, i.e. increased in case of possibilities of quicker development certain sectors compared to others.

Target for the electricity sector

In compliance with the REFSC scenario, in the electricity sector it will be necessary to achieve an increase of energy from renewable energy sources for 43,3% (1.267 ktoe) with respect to the baseline 2009 (884 ktoe). This increased use of renewable energy sources in the electricity sector also represents a considerable increase with respect to GFEC: from 9,7 % in 2009 to 12,2 % in 2020.

To achieve its targets in the electric power sector, the Republic of Serbia will install additional 1092 MW until 2020, out of which:

Type of RES	(MW)	Share
HE (over 10 MW)	250	which makes 23 % of the total installed capacity
MHE (up to 10 MW)	188	which makes 17 % of the total installed capacity
Wind energy	500	which makes 46 % of the total installed capacity
Solar energy	10	which makes 1 % of the total installed capacity
Biomass – CHP plants	100	which makes 9 % of the total installed capacity
Biogas (manure) – CHP plants	30	which makes 3 % of the total installed capacity
Geothermal energy	1	which makes 0,1 % of the total installed capacity
Waste	3	which makes 0,3 % of the total installed capacity
Landfill gas	10	which makes 1 % of the total installed capacity

Target for the heating and cooling sector

According to REFSC scenario, a small increase of the share of renewable energy sources is foreseen in the heating and cooling sector, i.e. only for 0,6 % (from 1 059 ktoe in 2009 to 1 269 ktoe in 2020).

To achieve its targets in the sector of heating and cooling, besides the use of biomass for heating in households, until 2020 the Republic of Serbia will also

use renewable energy sources which were not used so far. New RES-based facilities will enable the utilization of additional 149 ktoe, of which:

Type of RES	(ktoe)	Share
Biomass – CHP plants	45	which makes 30 % of total planned and produced heat in 2020
Biomasa (SDG)	29	which makes 19 % of total planned and produced heat in 2020
Biogas (manure) – CHP plants	10	which makes 7 % of total planned and produced heat in 2020
Geothermal energy	10	which makes 7 % of total planned and produced heat in 2020
Solar energy	55	which makes 37 % of total planned and produced heat in 2020

Target for the transport sector

In the transport sector, in 2009, renewable energy sources (namely biofuel) were existent at the market only with 0.21 ktoe (this quantity has not been recorded in the national statistics). The said quantity of biodiesel was sold as B100 and used in agriculture. Biofuel were not existent at the market in mixtures with the oil-based fuels for motor vehicles, in line with allowed quantities pursuant to the relevant standards for motor petrol and diesel fuel. In compliance with the agreements achieved in the Energy Community, mandatory goal for the share of renewable energy sources in the transport sector amounts to 10 % in 2020. In line with the defined goal and REFSC scenario, the quantity of renewable energy sources in the transport sector will amount to 267 ktoe in 2020, which is 2.6% of renewable energy sources in GFEC.

Method of achieving the share of renewable energy sources in GFEC

In terms of the REFSC scenario, energy consumption from renewable energy sources will be increased in the period from 2009 to 2020 from 1 942,6 ktoe to 2 789.3 ktoe, which is an increase of 43.6 %. This increase of energy from renewable energy sources in the said period amounts to 8.2 % with respect to the GFEC in 2020.

In terms of the EESC scenario, energy consumption from renewable energy sources will be increased in the period from 2009 to 2020 from 1 942.6 ktoe to 2 563.6 ktoe, which is an increase of 32.0 %. This increase of energy from renewable energy sources in the said period amounts to 6.5 % with respect to GFEC in 2020.

Table 3: National target for 2020 and estimated trajectory of energy from renewable sources in heating and cooling, electricity and transport

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
RES-H&C (%)	26%	26%	26%	26%	26%	26%	26%	26%	27%	28%	29%	30%
RES-E (%)	29%	29%	29%	29%	29%	30%	30%	31%	32%	33%	35%	37%
RES - T (%)	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	3%	5%	7%	8%	10%
Overall RES share (%)	21%	21%	21%	21%	21%	21%	22%	23%	23%	25%	26%	27%
Out of which, as per cooperation mechanism (%)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Surplus foreseen for cooperation mechanism (%)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0,2	0,2	0,3	0,3	0,2

Table 4a: Calculation of the contribution of the use of RES of each sector in GFEC (ktoe)

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
(A) Expected gross final consumption of RES for heating and cooling	1.059	1.177	1.249	1.283	1.247	1.211	1.195	1.178	1.179	1.178	1.174	1.167
(B) Expected gross final consumption of electricity from RES	884	916	929	932	951	961	970	996,2	1.017,4	1.066,5	1.112,6	1.157,2
(C) Expected final consumption of energy from RES in transport	-	-	-	-	-	-	34	74	117	159	203	246
(D) Expected total RES consumption	1.943	2.093	2.179	2.215	2.198	2.171	2.199	2.246	2.318	2.412	2.506	2.596
(E) Expected transfer of RES to other Member States	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,0	8,9	16,2	23,7	32,1
(F) Expected transfer of RES from other Member States and 3rd countries	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<i>(G) Expected RES consumption adjusted for target (D) - (E) + (F)</i>	1.943	2.093	2.179	2.215	2.198	2.171	2.199	2.243	2.309	2.396	2.482	2.564

Table 4b: Calculation of the contribution of the use of RES in the transport sector (ktoe)

	2009	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
(C) Expected RES consumption in transport	-	-	-	34	74	117	159	203	246
(H) Expected RES electricity in road transport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(I) Expected consumption of biofuels from wastes, residues, non-food cellulosic and lingo-cellulosic material in transport	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
(J) Expected RES contribution to transport for the RES-T target: (C) + (2,5 - 1) x (H) + (2 - 1) x (I)	-	-	-	34	74	117	159	203	246

4 MEASURES FOR ACHIEVING THE TARGETS

4.1. Overview of all policies and measures to promote the use of energy from renewable resources

The Table 5 presents the most important existing regulatory framework related to renewable energy sources, as well as regulatory framework which should be adopted in the forthcoming period. Part of the legislation foreseen to be adopted in the forthcoming period arises from the Directive 2009/28/EC.

Table 5: Overview of all policies and measures

Name and reference of the measure	Type of measure*	Expected result**	Targeted group and or activity***	Existing or planned	Start and end dates of the measure
Energy Law ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – испр., 93/2012 и 124/12)	regulatory - goals of the energy policy, reliable, quality and secure supply of energy and energy carriers, goals for the use RES, manner, conditions and incentives for the production of energy from renewable energy sources	increased use RES -	all entities in the energy sector	existing	2011.-
Energy Sector Development Strategy of the Republic of Serbia until 2015. ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 44/2005)	planned - energy sector development priorities	increased use RES	energy systems, entities, investors	existing	2005.-2015.
Energy Sector Development Strategy Implementation Programme of the Republic of Serbia until 2015 for the period 2007-2012. ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 99/2009)	planned - energy sector development priorities, priorities in the use of RES	increased use of RES	energy systems, entities, investors	existing	2007.-2012.
Decree on conditions and procedure for acquiring the status of privileged power producer ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 08/2013)	regulatory- specify conditions and procedure for acquiring the status of privileged power producer,	increase production of electricity from RES	investors	existing	2013. -

	<p>content of the request for acquiring the status of privileged power producer, evidence of eligibility for acquiring the status of privileged power producer, minimum primary energy efficiency level in co-generation power plants depending on type of primary fuel and installed power, maximum total installed power for wind and solar power plants which may acquire the status of privileged producer i.e. temporary status of privileged power producer, obligations of privileged power producers and methods of monitoring and control, as well as methods of keeping the Privileged Power Producers Registry</p>				
Decree on incentive measures for privileged power producers ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No.	financial - specify the categories of privileged power producers,	increase production of electricity from RES	investors	existing	2013. – 31.12.2015.

08/2013)	regulate the incentive measures, define conditions for obtaining the right to use these measures, method of determining of the incentive period, rights and obligations arising from these measures for the privileged power producers and other energy entities and regulate the content of the Power Purchase Agreement and Preliminary Power Purchase Agreement with a privileged power producer				
Decree on the method of calculation and allocation of funds collected for purpose of incentive remunerations for privileged power producers ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 08/2013)	financial - pecify the method of calculation, charging i.e. payment and collecting of funds related to incentive remunerations for Privileged Power Producers as well as the method of allocation of funds collected on that basis	increase production of electricity from RES	energy systems, entities, investors	existing	2013. -
Decree on the amount of special feed-in tariff in 2013. ("Official	financial – the amount of special feed-in tariff	increase production of electricity from	energy systems, entities, investors	existing	2013. -

Gazette of the RoS", No. 08/2013)	in 2013 is set	RES			
Law on ratification of the Kyoto Protocol ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 88/2007 и 38/2009)	regulatory – reduction of GHG emission	increased use of RES	energy systems, entities	existing	2009. -
National Strategy of Sustainable Development	planned - sustainable development, reduction of impacts on environment and natural resources	increased use of RES	energy systems, entities, investors	existing	2008. -
Action plan for the implementation of the national strategy of sustainable development	planned – measures and activities for the implementation of the Strategy of sustainable development	promotion of and increased use of RES	energy systems, entities, investors	existing	2009. -
National Program of Environmental Protection	planned – protection of environment and application of the most favorable measures for the sustainable development and management of environmental protection	increased use of RES	energy systems, entities, investors	existing	2010. -
Strategy of sustainable use of natural resources and assets	planned - the use of natural resources in a sustainable manner, securing their availability in the future and reduction of impacts of their use on environment	increased use of RES	energy systems, entities, investors	existing	2012. -

Strategy of the Science and Technological Development of the Republic of Serbia for the period from 2010 to 2015	planned – raising the level of knowledge in the society and enhancement of the technological development and economy	increased energy efficiency, increased use of RES	R&D institutions, energy systems, entities, investors	existing	2010. -
Strategy for Cleaner Production in the Republic of Serbia	planned – definition of measures for pollution prevention	energy efficiency, increased use of RES	energy systems, entities, investors	existing	2008. -
Law on Environmental Impact Assessment ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. No.135/2004 i 88/2010)	regulatory – defining of the procedure of environmental impact assessment for the projects which might have significant impacts on environment	Prevention of impacts on environment in the construction of RES-based facilities	investors	existing	2010. -
Decree on establishing the list of projects for which EIA is mandatory and the list of projects for which the EIA may be requested ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 114/2008)	regulatory – defining the type of facilities requiring EIA	Prevention of impacts on environment in the construction of RES-based facilities	investors	existing	2008. -
Law on Strategic Environmental Impact Assessment („Official Gazette of the RoS", No.135/2004 and 88/2010)	regulatory – conditions, manner and procedure of conducting the assessment of impacts of certain plans and programs on environment	Environmental protection, improvement of sustainable development	investors	existing	2010. -
Law on Waste Management	regulatory – waste	waste management,	industry, energy	existing	2010. -

(„Official Gazette of the RoS”, No. 36/09 and 88/2010)	management planning, waste management – activity of public interest	the use of waste as fuel	entities, investors		
Rulebook on categories, testing and classification of waste("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 56/10)	regulatory – classification of waste	Management of special waste streams	investors	existing	2010. -
Rulebook on conditions and manner of collection, transport, storing and treatment of waste used as secondary raw material or for producing energy("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 98/10)	regulatory – waste management	the use of waste for energy purposes	investors, energy entities, industrija	existing	2010. -
Decree on the types of waste for which heat treatment is to be performed, conditions and criteria for determining the location, technical and technological conditions for designing, construction, equipping and operation of installations for heat treatment of waste and handling of residues after combustion ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 102/10)	regulatory	the use of waste for energy purposes	investors, energy entities, industrija	existing	2010. -
Rulebook on conditions, manner and procedure of management of waste oils ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 71/2010)	regulatory – manner and procedure of management of waste oils	the use of oil for energy purposes	investors, industry, energy entities	existing	2010. -
Law on integrated prevention and control of pollution of environment	regulatory – conditions and procedure of	construction of RES-based facilities	investors, energy entities	existing	2004. -

(("Official Gazette of the RoS", No.135/2004)	issuing integrated permit for the plants				
Decree on the kinds of activities and facilities for which the integrated permit is issued("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 84/2005)	regulatory	construction of RES-based facilities	investors, energy entities	existing	2005. -
Law on Protection of Nature ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 36/09)	regulatory – protection and preservation of nature	the use of RES	investors, energy entities	existing	2009. -
Decree on protection regimes ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 31/2012)	regulatory – protection regimes, procedure and manner of their determination	construction of RES-based facilities in protected areas	investors, energy entities	existing	2012. -
Law on Mining and Geological Explorations ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 88/2011)	regulatory – exploitation and use of geothermal resources	the use RES	investors, energy entities	existing	2011. -
Law on Protection of Air („Official Gazette of the RoS“, broj 36/09)	regulatory – management of air quality and measures for implementation of the protection	Fulfilling the requirements on the air protection in construction and exploitation of RES-based facilities	investors, energy entities	existing	2009. -
Decree on limit values of emissions of polluting matters into the air("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 71/10)	regulatory – defining of allowed limit values of emissions	Fulfilling the requirements on the air protection in construction and exploitation of RES-based facilities	investors, energy entities	existing	2010. -
Law on private-public partnership and concessions ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 88/2011)	regulatory	increased use of RES, the use RES for the production of heat	investors, energy entities	existing	2011. -

Action plan for biomass 2010-2012. ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 56/2010)	planned – defining of activities for overcoming the problems occurring in the use of biomass for energy-related purposes	increased use of biomass and biofuel	investors, energy entities, financial institutions, R&D institutions	existing	2010. – 2012.
Law on Waters ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 30/2010)	regulatorni – surface and underground waters, except the water from which geothermal energy can be obtained	Integral management of waters, water facilities	investors, energy entities	existing	2010. -
Rulebook on the content and the template of the application for issuance of water-related acts and the contents of opinions within the procedure of issuance of water conditions ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 74/2010)	regulatory	Regulation of obtaining of necessary water acts in the procedure of construction of the facility	investors, energy entities	existing	2010. -
Law on renewable energy sources	regulatory	increased use RES -	all entities of the energy sector		
Law on rational use of energy	regulatory	Increase energy efficiency i the use of RES -	all entities of the energy sector	planned	2012.
Decree on sustainability criteria for biofuel	regulatory	increased use of biofuel	producers, investors, energy entities	planned	2012.
Rulebook on technical and other requirements for liquid fuels of bio-origin	regulatory	increased use of biofuel	producers, investors, energy entities	existing, planned amendments and supplements or elaboration of a new	2006. – (planned amendments in 2013.)

				rulebook	
Regulatory framework on the system of fuel quality monitoring	regulatory, financial – providing fuel quality monitoring and reduction of GHG emissions	increased use of biofuel	producers, investors, energy entities	planned	2013.
Decree on mandatory placing of a certain percentage of biofuel on the market	regulatory, financial	increased use of biofuel	producers, investors, energy entities	planned	2013.
Rulebook on licenses	regulatory	increased use of biofuel	producers, investors, energy entities	planned	2013.
Rulebook on incentives for growing raw materials and production of biofuel	financial	increased use of biofuel	producers, investors, energy entities	planned	2013.
Rulebook on the Guarantee of Origin for the production of energy from RES	regulatory, financial	increased use of RES	producers, investors, energy entities	planned	2013.
Decree (Decision) on conditions for obtaining the status of privileged heat producer	regulatory, financial	increased use of RES in the heating and cooling sector	producers, investors, energy entities	planned	2013.
Decree (decision) on Incentives for the production of heat from renewable energy sources	regulatory, financial	increased use of RES in the heating and cooling sector	producers, investors, energy entities	planned	2013.
Strategy of Water Management in the Republic of Serbia	planned			planned	2013.

* Indicate if the measure is (predominantly) regulatory, financial or soft (i.e. information campaign).

** Is the expected result behavioral change, installed capacity (MW; t/year), energy generated (ktoe)?

*** Who are the targeted persons: investors, end users, public administration, planners, architects, installers, etc.? or what is the targeted activity/sector: biofuel production, energetic use of animal manure, etc.)?

4.2. Specific measures to fulfil the requirements under Articles 13, 14, 16 and Articles 17 to 21 of Directive 2009/28/EC

4.2.1. Administrative procedures and spatial planning (Article 13(1) of Directive 2009/28/EC)

When answering the following questions, Member States are requested to explain the current national, regional and local rules concerning the authorisation, certification and licensing procedures applied to plants and associated transmission and distribution network infrastructure for the production of electricity, heating or cooling from renewable sources, and to the process of transformation of biomass into biofuels or other energy products. Where further steps are needed to ensure that procedures are proportionate and necessary, Member States are requested also to describe planned revisions, expected results and the authority responsible to carry out such revisions. When information is technology specific, please indicate it. When regional/local authorities have a substantial role, please also explain it.

(a) List of existing national and, if applicable, regional legislation concerning authorisation, certification, licensing procedures and spatial planning applied to plants and associated transmission and distribution network infrastructure:

The use of renewable energy sources and procedures for obtaining the corresponding permits and approvals are set by the regulations in various fields, i.e.:

- general international regulations – Law on ratification of the Treaty establishing Energy Community, as well as regulations through which the Republic of Serbia undertook commitments in terms of respecting international regulations (Kyoto Protocol along with the framework convention of the United National on the Climate Change, Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision Making and the Access to Justice in Environmental Matters etc.)
- basic national regulations (regulations defining competencies of the ministries, autonomous provinces, on general administrative procedure, market supervision, waters, agriculture and rural development etc.)
- regulations in the field of energy (regulations defining goals of the energy policy and methods of their achievement; conditions for construction of new energy facilities; conditions and manner of performing energy-related activities; manner, conditions and incentives for the production of energy from renewable energy sources and combined heat and power production)
- regulations in the field of mining and geological explorations (regulations covering exploitation of geothermal resources)

- regulations in the field of spatial planning (regulations defining the area of planning and construction of facilities, spatial plans, obtaining of permits – location, construction and operation permits)
- regulations in the field of environment (regulations related to the environmental protection, the procedure of environmental impact assessment, content of the study on environmental impact assessment, the share of interested authorities and organisations and the public, supervision and other issues of importance for environmental impact assessment).

The list of all regulations referring to the renewable energy sources, as well as description of these regulations are given in the Annex II.

Construction of facilities and production of energy from renewable energy sources is based on the acquisition of certain rights, i.e.:

- acquiring the right to construct the facility
- acquiring the right to carry out production of electricity and/or heat.

Procedures for obtaining licenses, permits and approvals are clearly defined.

Acquiring the right to construct the facility implies implementation of the procedure for construction of a specific energy facility, defined depending on the type and capacity of the facility, which implies the procedures for obtaining the energy, location, construction and operation permits. Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 57/2011) prescribes that the energy facilities are to be constructed in compliance with the law which regulates conditions and manner of space arrangement, arrangement and use of the construction land and construction of facilities, technical and other regulations, all against previously obtained energy permit, defines conditions and manner of performing energy-related activities, manner and conditions for obtaining the license, manner and conditions for obtaining the energy permit, manner of organization and operation of the electricity market, rights and obligations of participants at the market, protection of energy buyers and energy carriers, manner, conditions and incentives for the production of energy from renewable energy sources and combined heat and power production. The Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 and 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011) defines conditions and manner of arrangement of space, arrangement and use of construction land and construction of facilities (location, construction and operation permit). In compliance with the Law on Planning and Construction the competence for issuing construction permit is determined. Facilities for the production of energy from renewable energy sources with the capacity of 10 MW and more, as well as the power plant with combined production with the capacity of 10 MW and more and power plants in the protected environment of the cultural assets of exceptional importance, and culture assets registered in the World List of Cultural and Natural Heritage and facilities in protected areas, as well as facilities within the boundaries of the national park and facilities within the boundaries of protection of the protected natural asset of exceptional importance are within the jurisdiction of the Ministry in charge of construction affairs, or autonomous

province if the structure is located within the territory of the autonomous province; (Article 133. of the Law). The competence of the local self-government authorities covers facilities for the production of energy from renewable energy sources having capacity of 10 MW. Environmental impact assessment, i.e. pollution prevention and control are very important elements in the procedure of construction of the facility and depend on its capacity and are defined by the Law on Environmental Impact Assessment (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 135/2004 and 36/2009), and the Law on Integrated Environmental Pollution Prevention and Control (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 135/2004, 36/2009). The connection to the electric power network, or transmission and distribution system, as well as the distribution and supply of heat are regulated by the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 57/2011).

Acquiring the right to engage in the production of electricity and/or heat implies fulfilling of all requirements, depending on the manner in which the sid activity is defined. In the Energy Law, it is defined that the electricity generation is an energy-related activity, and the production of heat is an energy-related activity of public interest. The right to engage in the activity of production of heat can be acquired directly (through the conclusion of a contract on entrusting the performance of an activity of public interest or through granting concessions for the performance of an activity of public interest) or indirectly (through an investment into a public (utility) enterprise or company performing utility services).

(b) Responsible Ministry(/ies)/authority(/ies) and their competences in the field:

Competence for the use of renewable energy sources is belonging to various institutions, at various levels, depending on the type and capacity of the facility i.e.:

- institutions at the level of the Republic
- institutions at the level of the Autonomous Province of Vojvodina
- institutions at the level of the local self-government unit.

Detailed review of institutions in charge for the activities related to the construction of facilities and the use of renewable energy sources is given in the Annex IV, and the review of the most important institutions in the field of construction of facilities and obtaining the necessary permits and approvals is shown in the Table A.

In compliance with the Law on Ministries (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2012), government administration authorities at the level of the Republic which are in charge of renewable energy sources are:

- Ministry of Energy, Development and Environmental Protection
- Ministry of Construction and Urban Planning
- Ministry of Natural Resources, Mining and Spatial Planning
- Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management.

Additionally, besides the competence of the ministries, the renewable energy sources are also in the jurisdiction of a certain number of special organisations and other institutions i.e.:

- Energy Agency
- Republic Agency for Spatial Planning
- Republic Geodetic Authority (RGZ)
- Republic Hydrometeorological Service (RHMZ)
- Statistical Office of the Republic of Serbia
- Institute for Standardization (ISS).

Institutions in charge at the level of Autonomous Province are:

- Provincial Secretariat for Energy and Mineral Raw Materials
- Provincial Secretariat for Urban Planning, Construction and Environmental Protection.

Besides the above mentioned, activities in the field of renewable energy sources are also performed by

- Local self-government units (LSG)
- PC Electric Power Industry of Serbia (PC EPS)
- PC Electric Power Network of Serbia (PC EMS)
- Related/subsidiary companies for electricity distribution (Elektrovojvodina, Elektrodistribucija Beograd, Elektrosrbija, Jugoistok, Centar)
- Public Utility Companies (PUC)
- Public Water Management Companies - JVP (Srbijavode, Beogradvode, Vode Vojvodine)
- Institute for Protection of Cultural Monuments
- Directorate for Forests.

Table A

Institution	Purpose	Type of the facility
Ministry of energy, development and environmental protection	energy permit ⁴	Facilities for electricity generation, capacity of 1 MW and more, facilities for combined heat and power production in thermal power plants-district heating plants of electrical capacity of 1 MW and more and total heat capacity of 1 MW _t and more.
	approval ⁵	For the construction of energy facilities for electricity generation of the capacity up to 1MW using water as the primary energy resource, for which the energy permit is not issued, before obtaining the construction permit prior approval of the Ministry should be obtained, stating that the construction of these facilities ensures an efficient and rational utilization of the potential of primary energy sources, on the basis of non-discriminatory criteria set and published by the Ministry.

⁴Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoSNo. 57/2011, čl. 27-34.)

⁵Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoSNo. 57/2011, čl. 27-34.)

	impact assessment study ⁶	Power plants using renewable energy sources, CHP-based power plants of the capacity of 10 MW and more, power plants meeting other conditions from the Article 133. of the Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 i 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011)
	Privileged producer status ⁷	Power plants which use RES in the production of electricity in an individual production facility, except the hydro-power plants of capacity of exceeding 30 MW, or which simultaneously produce electricity and heat in an individual production facility of installed electrical capacity of up to 10 MW with high efficiency of utilization of primary energy
Ministry of construction and urban planning	location permit ⁸	facilities for the production of energy from renewable energy sources, as well as CHP-based power plants having capacity of 10 MW and more, for power plants in the protected environment of cultural assets of extreme importance, and cultural assets recorded in the List of World Cultural and
	construction permit ⁹	
	operation permit ¹⁰	

⁶Law on Environmental Impact Assessment (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 135/2004, 36/2009)

⁷Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, čl. 56.), Decree on Conditions and Procedure for Acquiring the Privileged Power Producer Status (Official Gazette of the RS, No. 08/2013)

⁸Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 i 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011, čl. 54 – 57.)

⁹Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 i 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011, čl. 133 - 147.)

¹⁰Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 i 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011, čl. 154 - 160.)

		Natural Heritage and facilities in protected areas, as well as facilities within the boundaries of a national park and facilities within the boundaries of protection of the protected natural asset of extreme importance, high dams and accumulations filled with water, tailings and ash for which technical observation is prescribed; facilities having construction span of 50 m and more, facilities having the height of 50 m and more
Provincial Secretariat for urban planning, construction and environment protection	location permit	facilities for the production of energy from renewable energy sources, as well as CHP-based power plant having capacity of 10 MW and more, for power plants in the protected environment of cultural assets of extreme importance, and cultural assets recorded in the List of World Cultural and Natural Heritage and facilities in protected areas, as well as facilities within the boundaries of a national park and facilities and facilities within the boundaries of protection of the protected natural asset of extreme importance which are completely located at the territory of the Autonomous Province of Vojvodina
	construction permit	
	operation permit	
	impact assessment study	
Local self-governments	energy permit	for the construction of facilities for the production of heat, with the capacity of 1 MW _t and more, facilities for the production of biofuel with the capacity of over 1000 t per year

Local self-governments	license	production of heat in the facilities having total capacity of 1 MW _t and more
Local self-governments	location permit	facilities for the production of energy from renewable energy sources having capacity of up to 10 MW
	construction permit	
	operation permit	
	impact assessment study	
Ministry of natural resources, mining and spatial planning i competent Provincial Secretariat for energy and mineral raw materials	Approval for performing applied geological explorations ¹¹	exploitation of hydrogeothermal energy
	Reviewing and recording the geothermal resource potential	
	approval for exploitation	
	approval for execution of mining works	
	operation permit for mining facilities	
	change of the use of land ¹²	
Ministry of agriculture, forestry and water management	water conditions, water approvals i water permit	hydro-power plants and all kinds of facilities which should be built on the agricultural or forest land
Provincial Secretariat for Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management	water conditions, water approvals i water permit ¹³	hydro-power plants (at the territory of the Autonomous Province of Vojvodina)
Water Directorate – City of Belgrade	water conditions, water approvals i water permit	hydro-power plants

¹¹Law on Mining and Geological Exploration (Official Gazette of the RoSNo. 88/2011)

¹²Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoSNo. 72/2009 i 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decisionUS, 24/2011, čl. 87.)

¹³Law on Waters (Official Gazette of the RoSNo. 30/2010)

Energy Agency	license ¹⁴	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – electricity generation in objektima ukupne odobrene of capacity of priključka do 1 MW; – combined heat and power production in termoelektranama toplanama in objektima 1 MW and more ukupne odobrene električne of capacity of priključka i 1 MW_t and more of the total thermal capacity of; – annual production of biofuel of 1000 t and more
Republic agency for spatial planning/Local self-government unit	insight into a valid planning document	all facilities
Republic geodetic authority/Service for the cadastre of municipal assets	Copy of the lot	all facilities
	List of lot owners	
Republic hydrometeorological service (RHMZ)	opinion of the republic organization in charge for hydrometeorological affairs	hydro-power plants
Public Water Management Companies - JVP (Srbijavode, Beogradvode, Vode Vojvodine)	opinion of the public water management company	hydro-power plants
Institute for Protection of Cultural Monuments		
Electric Power Industry of Serbia	contract on the purchase of electricity	power plants
Transmission system operator	technical conditions for the connection to the transmission network	for the electricity produced from renewable energy sources, energy for heating and cooling produced from renewable energy sources

¹⁴Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoSNo. 57/2011, čl. 20 - 26.)

	guarantee of origin	
Distribution system operator	conditions for the connection to the distribution network	power plants and electricity consuming facilities
Public utility company	conditions for the connection to the heat distribution network distribuciju toplotne of energy	producers of heat

(c) Revision foreseen with the view to take appropriate steps as described by Article 13(1) of Directive 2009/28/EC by: [date]

RES-related laws and by-laws were adopted in the last two years. Common practice is that the regulatory framework is changed after a period of 5 years, and in the meantime that regulatory framework is improved and amended through amendments and supplements, except in the cases where adoption of appropriate by-laws after the adoption of the new law is foreseen.

Rationalization of procedures is necessary and it will undergo further consideration. In the forthcoming period changes will be made aimed at improvement and simplification of procedures in line with the experience of good practice applied in EU member countries. During the preparation of new laws and by-laws, the possibilities of rationalization of procedures for obtaining of licenses, permits and approvals will be analyzed through the application of:

- positive experience of other EU countries
- experience of the people employed in competent institutions who had recognized, in the previous period, the deficiencies of the existing system and the possibilities for its improvement
- experience of the investors in this field in Serbia so far.

Having in mind that the rationalization is very complex and represents a continuous process, as well as that the procedure should include various levels (republic, provincial and local self-government unit level) a working group will be formed of representatives of competent institutions at various levels, which will prepare a proposal for the rationalization of procedures. During the rationalization, the procedures will be defined depending on the size of plants/structures/projects (special procedures for large and small plants/structures/projects respectively). Working group will review all deficiencies of the existing system and propose improvements of the system and a methodology for constant monitoring of its practical implementation. Rationalization of procedures is a process which should be continuous and coordinated by a body proposed by the ministry in charge of energy-related affairs or by a specific service in the ministry in charge of energy-related affairs (e.g. Section for renewable energy sources). This body should be organized after the example of so called Service Conferences/Steering Committees established in the EU countries to render support to RES projects.

In the forthcoming period, one-stop-shop for renewable energy sources should be established, thus enabling the commencement and finalization of the procedure of obtaining permits and approvals. For the operation of this system horizontal and vertical cooperation between institutions competent for permits and approvals will be organized.

(d) Summary of the existing and planned measures at regional/local levels (where relevant):

In the previous period, no special measures were developed on the regional and local level related to RES and their use. In the documents adopted at the republic level obligations and institutions at the level of autonomous province and the local level were defined.

On regional and local levels the one-stop-shops for RES should also be established. These regional and local one-stop-shops should be linked with the one-stop-shop at the republic level (vertical cooperation), as well as with other institutions at the republic /regional level (horizontal cooperation).

(e) Are there unnecessary obstacles or non-proportionate requirements detected related to authorisation, certification and licensing procedures applied to plants and associated transmission and distribution network infrastructure for the production of electricity, heating or cooling from renewable sources, and to the process of transformation of biomass into biofuels or other energy products? If so, what are they?

Through the analysis of existing procedures for obtaining licenses, permits and approvals the following obstacles were identified:

- procedures are long and demanding – the process is long because the permits are to be obtained as per a specific order.
- there is a great number of laws and by-laws to adhere to – obtaining of licenses, permits and approvals requires familiarization with a great number of laws and by-laws defining competencies (laws) and procedures, required documentation and deadlines (by-law documents), so that knowledge of all documents is necessary.
- great number of various institutions in charge of issuance of corresponding documents - process of obtaining all required licenses, permits and approvals consists of various procedures with various institutions which are not always government authorities. In various phases, certain procedures are conducted in front of the same authority, so that the same institution should be addressed several times.
- non-existence of regulations and established procedures for obtaining certain documentation, so that general rules are applied – this refers to obtaining opinions from certain republic and other institutions (e.g. the procedure of providing the opinion of the energy entity in charge of electricity transmission, or distribution in the Energy Permit issuing procedure is not defined),
- existence of differences in terminology between regulations in the field of energy and those in the field of environmental protection – In terms of regulations in the field of energy there is a difference

between the biomass-based power plant and the power plant using waste, which is defined by the Decree on incentive measures for privileged power producers. In terms of regulations in the field of environmental protection, some biomass can be classified as waste and in that case, in line with the environment-related regulations, for some types of biomass appropriate permits should be obtained from the ministry, while that is not the case for other types. The Action Plan for biomass indicates the issue of non-existence of official definitions which may result in problems in numerous sectors. The said document envisages that the competent ministries should prepare a list of necessary terms and appropriate definitions, as well as that the waste which can be used as biomass should be defined. The list of these terms should be adopted and published in official documents.

- the Law on public-private partnership and concessions which should also refer to waterflows is not applied in the appropriate manner.
- the issue of energy permit, which introduces the possibility of acquiring rights on other person's land, without any share of the owner or other person having any property rights on that land.
- inconformity of the Energy Law and the Law on utility activities regarding activities in the field of heat: Energy Law - two activities, and the Law on utility activities – one activity. This issue should be overcome by defining three activities, i.e. that the distribution of heat becomes a separate regulated activity, and in that way the issue of the price of energy distribution by means of energy network, as well as the issue of connection would be resolved.
- the status of the heat production: in compliance with the Energy Law, and related to the Law on utility activities: when the production of heat is carried out in co-generation with electricity production, then it is not an activity of public interest, but when it is only the production of heat, then it is an activity of public interest.
- lack of by-laws based on the Energy Law: 1. at the republic level, the acquisition of the status of privileged producer (not regulated by a by-law - investors in renewable solar and wind energy are better protected than other investors), 2. issue of other by-laws based on the Energy Law, and related to heat (licence, tariffs for distribution, feed-in tariffs etc.) etc.

Additionally, on the basis of conducted survey among investors who have experience in obtaining licenses, permits and approvals, the following obstacles were defined:

- obsolete information in the cadastre (the investor faces a problem when he wants to obtain information on ownership over certain lots of interest for construction as, in case that the data are not up to date, the investor must explore the ownership relations and collect information about the ownership by himself).

- Obsolete state of the cadastre of small hydro-power plants - cadastre of small hydro-power plants originates from 1987 and has not respected environmental, social and economic criteria, which are currently applied in local spatial plans in Serbia and in the cases of issuance of the energy permit and other approvals.
- non-existence of detailed regulation plan in certain municipalities (considerable prolongation of the process of obtaining permits and approvals)
- undefined property rights in some cases (considerable prolongation of the process of obtaining permits and approvals)
- relatively long court proceedings on land inheritance in some cases
- complex procedure for construction of power plants on the land which is the state property (the burden of proving that the state is the owner of the plot lies on the investor, and only after the state property is proven the investor can bid for the plot)
- long procedure with numerous interim procedures (unnecessarily long duration)
- great number of approvals required (public water management companies, Post-Telegraph-Telephone company, PC Srbijagas)
- adoption of the detailed regulation plan may take long time and be delayed numerous times
- possible shift of the water intake elevation
- great number of documents required for the commencement of construction
- long process of obtaining permits and approvals (minimum 12 months to the construction permit).

(f) What level of administration (local, regional and national) is responsible for authorising, certifying and licensing renewable energy installations and for spatial planning? (If it depends on the type of installation, please specify.) If more than one level is involved, how is coordination between the different levels managed? How will coordination between different responsible authorities be improved in the future?

Administrative levels in charge of implementation of procedures are:

- republic level (ministries, regulatory agency and other government authorities and organizations)
- autonomous province (secretariats)
- local self-government (local self-government unit, the City of Belgrade and public companies).

Structure of jurisdiction/competence:

1. Energy permit – pursuant to the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the Ros No. 57/2011), Article 27 to 34:

- Ministry in charge of energy-related affairs – for construction of facilities for electricity generation of capacity of 1 MW and more, facilities for combined heat and power production in thermal power plants-district heating plants of electrical capacity of 1 MW and more and of the total thermal capacity of 1 MW_t and more, facilities for the production of biofuel having capacity of over 1000 t per year
 - Local self-government unit – for construction of facilities for the production of heat (of capacity of 1 MW_t and more) and the production of biofuel having capacity of over 1.000 t per year.
 - Information on location – pursuant to the Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 and 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011), Article. 53.
2. Location permit - pursuant to the Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 and 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011), Article. 54.:
 - Ministry of Construction and Urban Planning - for a facility for the production of energy from renewable energy sources, as well as VHP power plant having capacity of 10 MW and more, high dams and accumulations filled with water, tailings and ash for which technical observation is prescribed; facilities having construction span of 50 m and more, facilities having the height of 50 m and more, or autonomous province – if the whole specified structure/power plant is constructed at the territory of the autonomous province.
 - Local self-government unit – for all structures/power plants for which the location permit is not issued by the competent ministry, or autonomous province.
 3. Construction permit - pursuant to the Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 and 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011), Article. 133.:
 - Ministry of Construction and Urban Planning - for a facility for the production of energy from renewable energy sources, as well as a CHP-based power plant of capacity of 10 MW and more, or autonomous province – if the whole specified structure/power plant is constructed at the territory of the autonomous province.
 - Local self-government unit – for all structures/power plants for which the location permit is not issued by the competent ministry, or autonomous province.
 4. Operation permit - pursuant to the Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 and 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011), Article. 155. and 158.:
 - Ministry of Construction and Urban Planning - for the facility/power plant for which the construction permit was issued by the competent ministry, or autonomous province – if the construction permit for the facility/power plant was issued by the autonomous province.

- Local self-government unit – for all structures/power plants for which the location permit is not issued by the competent ministry, or autonomous province.
- 5. Environmental impact assessment
 - Ministry of Energy, Development and Environmental Protection or autonomous province – of plants of capacity greater than 10 MW
 - Local self-government unit – of plants of capacity lower than 10 MW (except in other cases from the Article 133 of the Law on Planning and Construction, when the competent ministry if the one in charge of construction affairs).
- 6. License – pursuant to the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the Ros No. 57/2011), Article 20.
 - Energy Agency – for electricity generation in the facilities of the total approved connection capacity of up to 1 MW; combined heat and power production in thermal power plants-district heating plants, in the facilities of 1 MW and more of the total approved electrical connection capacity and 1 MW_t and more of the total thermal capacity; the production of biofuel of 1000 t per year and more;
 - is not required for the production of electricity solely for own use and in the facilities having lower capacity than 1 MW, as well as for the production of biofuel up to 1000 t per year and the production of biofuel for own use.
- 7. Status of privileged producer - pursuant to the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the Ros No. 57/2011), Article 56. and 57.
 - Ministry in charge for energy-related affairs - electricity generation and combined heat and power production
 - Local self-government unit – production of heat.

Communication between various administrative levels (horizontal and vertical communication) is not always precisely defined. The applicant is obligated to accompany its application with appropriate documentation issued by the corresponding institutions.

Preparation of the geographical information system (GIS) is in course, which will enable availability of all information on the web site of the ministry in charge of energy-related affairs.

(g) How is it ensured that comprehensive information on the processing of authorisation, certification and licensing applications and on assistance to applicants made available? What information and assistance is available to potential applicants for new renewable energy installations on their applications?

All information on the procedures are available in the laws and by-laws published in the relevant Official Gazette issues, and which can also be downloaded via internet (www.zakon.rs and www.parlament.rs).

Guides for investors with clear information on procedures, competences and deadlines were prepared in 2010. Guides for investors were prepared for the following renewable energy sources:

- Construction of plants and electricity/heat generation from biomass in the Republic of Serbia
- Construction of plants and electricity/heat generation from hydrogeothermal resources in the Republic of Serbia
- Construction of wind farms and electricity generation from wind energy in the Republic of Serbia
- Construction of small hydro-power plants and power generation in the Republic of Serbia.

The above mentioned guides are available in electronic form. In view of the fact that certain laws and by-laws have been changed since 2010, the Ministry of Energy, Development and Environmental Protection initiated preparation of new guides. The new guides will also encompass the construction of solar plants. The new guides will be completed by the end of february 2013.

Additionally, information on individual procedures exist on various web sites, like:

- e-uprava (www.euprava.gov.rs),
- Energy Agency (www.aers.rs),
- www.merz.gov.rs
- www.masterplan.rs/index.php/Lokacijska_permit
- <http://www.mpt.gov.rs/articles/view/247/1833/index.html>
- <http://cadastre.rgz.gov.rs/KnWebPublic>.

As the Law on electronic signature (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 51/2009) was adopted, regulating conditions and manner of using the electronic document in the legal transactions, administrative, judicial and other procedures, as well as rights, obligations and responsibilities of companies and other legal persons, entrepreneurs and natural persons, government authorities, authorities of the territorial autonomy and authorities of the local self-government units and authorities, enterprises, institutions, organisations and individuals entrusted with activities of public administration, i.e. public powers of attorney concerning this document, in the forthcoming period increasingly great accessibility of information and documents in the electronic form may be expected.

In compliance with the Law on electronic signature and the proposal for establishing a one stop shop, monitoring of the documentation on the web site of the Ministry in charge of energy-related affairs (a so-called data room) will be necessary. Detailed information in electronic form can be provided through establishing a link at the official Ministry (and other government authorities) web site, which would, for example, have the title „questions and answers regarding RES”, making the information accessible to a larger number of interested persons, on one hand, and unburdening the administration from answering the same/most frequent questions. The response to the interested person, which would fully replace the written and signed act of the competent authority, would be available

if the e-mail address of the person contacting the said authority is registered, i.e. recorded at the APR (Serbian Business Registers Agency) along with the address/domicile of the company or investors.

Additionally, in compliance with the Law on Planning and Construction, existence and availability on the internet of electronic records of all issued permits was foreseen .

The web site of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management contains all forms required for applying for water-related acts, necessary information, laws and by-laws regulating that field.

(h) How is horizontal coordination facilitated between different administrative bodies, responsible for the different parts of the permit? How many procedural steps are needed to receive the final authorisation/licence/permit? Is there a one-stop shop for coordinating all steps? Are timetables for processing applications communicated in advance? What is the average time for obtaining a decision for the application?

In the previous period the unique service for coordination of all envisaged phases in the procedure of obtaining licenses, permits and approvals was not established. At the same time, horizontal coordination between various administrative bodies does not result from a systemic link, but it is, in the majority of cases, the result of a multi-annual cooperation between institutions and their respective employees.

Number of procedural phases may be defined in line with two main phases – acquisition of the right to construct and acquisition of the right to engage in specific activities. Acquiring the right to construction consists of the following phases, pursuant to the Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 and 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011):

- obtaining of information on location (Article 53.)
- obtaining of the location permit (Article 54.) - obtaining conditions for designing
- obtaining of the construction permit (Article 133.) – preparation of the technical documentation, Study on Environmental Impact Assessment, technical review of the design documentation)
- obtaining water acts (Law on Waters, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 30/2010, Article 113.)
- obtaining of the operation permit(Article 154.)
- obtaining of the energy permit.

Acquiring the right to engage in energy-related activities consists of the following steps, pursuant to the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011):

1. for construction
 - obtaining energy permit (Article 27.)
2. for engaging in energy-related activities

- obtaining of the license (Article 20.)
- conclusion of the contract on entrusting performance of activities of public interest (production of heat – energy-related activity of public interest is carried out in compliance with the Law on public companies and engaging in activities of public interest - „Official Gazette of the RoS”, No. 25/00, 25/02, 107/05, 108/05 – correction, 123/07).

The right to engage in the above cited activities is not related to the status of privileged producer; acquiring the status implies the right to incentive measure.

The duration of processing an application, for all procedures, is clearly indicated in all laws and by-laws. In compliance with the defined deadlines for each phase separately, it is possible to estimate the time necessary for obtaining all licenses, permits and approvals. Obtaining the right to construct requires 15 to 20 months, and obtaining the right to engage in an activity takes 3 months, provided that the complete documentation was submitted in each phase and that no amendments or corrections of the documentation are involved. The said time frame for obtaining permits and approvals does not include the time for elaboration of the Study on environmental impact assessment, nor the time required for the preparation of technical documentation.

(i) Do authorisation procedures take into account the specificities of the different renewable energy technologies? If so, please describe how. If they do not, do you envisage taking them into account in the future?

The existing procedures take into account specific features of different technologies for the use of RES, as well as the fact that the construction of each facility has its own specific features.

Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009, 81/2009,-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011), as the umbrella law concerning the construction of any facility in the territory of the Republic of Serbia, defines procedures for the construction of various facilities depending on their purpose, applied technology and output capacity of the power plant.

Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011), also takes into account specific features of different technologies, as well as the Decree on Incentive Measures for Privileged Power Producers (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 08/2013).

In preparation of the Study on environmental impact assessment which is an indispensable element for the issuance of Construction Permit, depending on the list of projects to which it belongs (Decree on the list of projects for which the environmental impact assessment is necessary (List I) and the list of projects for which the environmental impact assessment can be requested (List II), the preparation of the Study on environmental impact assessment is mandatory or it is requested if the competent authority decides that it is necessary.

In view of the provisions of the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/11), specific features of various technologies should be taken into account.

The Decree on Conditions and Procedure for Acquiring the Privileged Power Producer Status (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 08/2013) minimal total annual efficiency level for various types of power plants are defined.

(j) Are there specific procedures, for example simple notification, for small-scale, decentralised installations (such as solar panels on buildings or biomass boilers in buildings)? If so, what are the procedural steps? Are the rules publicly available to citizens? Where are they published? Is the introduction of simplified notification procedures planned in the future? If so, for which types of installation/system? (Is net metering possible?)

Pursuant to the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011), Article 20, the License is not required for the following activities:

- electricity generation in the facilities having total approved connection capacity up to 1 MW;
- electricity generation solely for own use;
- production of heat in the facilities having total approved capacity up to 1 MWt and production of heat solely for own use;
- combined heat and power production in thermal power plants having up to 1 MW of the total approved electric connection capacity and 1 MWt of total thermal capacity, as well as combined heat and power production solely for own use.
- the production of biofuel up to 1000 t per year and the production of biofuel for own use;

Energy permit is not necessary, pursuant to the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011), Article 27, for energy facilities of installed capacity below 1MW.

Pursuant to the Article 144, paragraph 1 of the Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 i 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011), concerning the placing of solar collectors on an existing structure, if they do not hinder the appearance of the buildings, neighboring facilities and the pedestrian way, then they are not considered as structures in the sense of that Law, i.e. the construction permit does not have to be obtained.

Decentralized use of RES-based energy facilities of small capacity can result in significant improvements of the use of RES, but also in economic development, opening of new job positions, balanced social and territorial development and real energy and technology independence. Also, the fact is that in case of facilities with low energy consumption, energy should be produced at the spot, and primarily from RES.

Due to the above mentioned reasons, in the forthcoming period this field is recognized as a priority and the regulatory framework will be defined with an aim to achieve maximum simplification of administrative and technical procedures for installation and commissioning of small RES-based plants, having installed power

below 50 kW, and owned primarily by natural persons. Particular attention will be dedicated to the accessibility of information to natural persons interested in small plants (solar panels, heat pumps and biomass-fired low capacity boilers). All systems of support measures and subsidies for the use of RES should provide significant advantage to small, individual installations.

(k) Where are the fees associated with applications for authorisation/licences/permits for new installations published? Are they related to the administrative costs of granting such permits? Is there any plan to revise these fees?

In compliance with the Law on Republic Administrative Fees (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 43/2003, 51/2003 - amendments, 53/2004, 42/2005, 61/2005, 101/2005 – other law, 42/2006, 47/2007, 54/2008, 5/2009, 54/2009, 35/2010, 50/2011, 70/2011 and 55/2012) appropriate administrative fees for acts and actions in administrative affairs, as well as for other actions in institutions, government authorities and organisations, authorities of the territorial autonomy and local self-governments were also defined, which are paid in the amount prescribed by the Tariff of Republic Administrative Fees (Article 1.). If not otherwise prescribed by the Tariff, fee obligation occurs (Article 5.):

1. for claims – at the moment of their submission, and for requests on the minutes – when the minutes are drafted,
2. for decisions, permits and other papers – at the moment of submission of the request for their issuance;
3. for administrative actions - at the moment of submission of the request for their execution.

Dinar amounts of the fees from the Tariff are updated once a year, based on the annual rate of growth of the costs of living, published by the republic body in charge of statistics (Article 28.).

The fee for the license on engaging in energy activities is paid for the time of license validity, pursuant to the Criteria and Standards for Setting Energy License Fees for Engaging in an Energy-related Activity („Official Gazette of the RoS“, broj 76/11) and the Decision on Coefficient Value for Calculation of the Energy License Fee (brought in the current year for the forthcoming year).

(l) Is official guidance available to local and regional administrative bodies on planning, designing, building and refurbishing industrial and residential areas to install equipments and systems using renewable energy sources in electricity and heating and cooling, including in district heating and cooling? If such official guidance is not available or insufficient, how and when will this need be addressed?

Official guidance is provided through certain institutions, i.e.:

- Ministry of Energy, Development and Environmental Protection

- Ministry of Construction and Urban Planning
- Ministry of Natural Resources, Mining and Spatial Planning
- Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management.
- Provincial Secretariat for Energy and Mineral Raw Materials
- Serbian Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Chamber of Commerce of Vojvodina.

Rendering of the official guidance includes advisory assistance concerning the legislation, incentive measures, advisory assistance on the possibility of financing of RES projects, directing investors towards the competent authorities for specific permits, opinions, conditions and linking the investors with the local self-government units where such projects can be implemented. Official guidance consists of and is provided at several levels and sub-levels:

- reception of potential domestic and foreign investors and delegations
- liaising with the institutions of the system (potential local self-governments or companies interested to invest and having the potential for this kind of investments, and other relevant entities EPS, EMS etc.)
- providing answers for certain areas.

Information is submitted in several ways: by e-mail, by post, by phone or through direct reception, depending on the scope of required information.

There are several ways for improving the possibility for rendering official guidance/advisory assistance, i.e.:

- I way - local bodies in charge of planning, design, construction and reconstruction of industrial and residential zones where RES are used require multidisciplinary expert advisory assistance with respect to installation of equipment and systems using RES for electricity generation and production of energy for heating/cooling. For this kind of assistance, establishment of a special organizational unit will be considered (inter-municipal centres for sustainable energy development or appropriate agencies) including experts of corresponding profiles (mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, civil engineering, environmental, economical) which would be educated or possess sufficient experience for rendering advisory assistance. Such organizational units can be established through projects financed from EU funds, but the support of local/regional authorities both in financial and in institutional aspect would also be necessary. This way also provides, through partnership, professional technical assistance with the transfer of experience from developed regions of the EU and, on the other hand, sustainability of the project. Such centres could provide an unbiased official guidance /advisory assistance not only to the local and regional bodies in their planning needs, but also to potential investors into RES.
- II way – rendering of advisory assistance through strengthening of existing firms dealing with the design and construction of facilities and installation of equipment and systems using RES. Licensed engineers of these firms are also members of the Serbian Chamber of Engineers, through which they

can follow up the state of the art trends and the legislation, thus being able to provide expert assistance to the local bodies. This way of providing the advisory assistance looks more cost-efficient at the first glance, but it bears a certain risk of promotion of own design solutions, which puts the question mark on the impartiality and objectivity of such advisory assistance.

- III way – establishing of an advisory body within the local self-governments, either through strengthening the staff of the relevant LER (Local Economic Development) Office or through the introduction of a system of organized energy management at the level of local self-governments which would enable monitoring of energy consumption, energy development planning, application of energy efficiency measures and the use of RES at the local level. Some local self-governments create various forms of working bodies for EE and RES, but that can not meet everyday needs for an ever increasing interest in investing into RES, and the readiness of local bodies to provide grounds to investors for investing into RES through planning acts/documents.

(m) Are there specific trainings for case handlers of authorisation, certification and licensing procedures of renewable energy installations?

In the previous period no systemic and organized training for procedures of obtaining permits and approvals was established. In view of the importance of good information on the procedures, the system of regular training will be established in the forthcoming period. The training can be delivered by various institutions (Serbian Chamber of Engineers, Serbian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, universities, professional associations, non-governmental organizations, regional energy efficiency centres) and it should be delivered in strictly specified time intervals (two times a year) and in various regions. The component part of the training should be guides for investors, as well as other printed material containing a review of regulations and competencies.

The training should not be organized only for investors, but also for the representatives of competent institutions, planners and inspectors, with the aim of permanent improvement of knowledge in the field of RES, development of relevant technologies and their impact on environment, as well as of gaining experience, through the consideration of specific examples/cases, about the manner of preparing local plans that would enable the use of potential of renewable energy sources in the best possible way.

4.2.2. Technical specifications (Article 13(2) of Directive 2009/28/EC)

(a) To benefit from support schemes do renewable energy technologies need to meet certain quality standards? If so, which installations and what quality standards? Are there national, regional standards that go beyond European standards?

In compliance with the existing legislation, all technologies for the use of RES must meet the regulations related to environmental protection, i.e. pollution control (Law on Environmental Protection, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 135/2004 and 36/2009). The applied equipment must meet the requirements of the Law on Technical Requirements for Products and Compliance Assessment (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 97/2010). This law regulates the method of prescribing technical requirements for products and adoption of technical regulations as well as assessment of their compliance/conformity. Technical requirements for individual product, or groups of products are prescribed by means of a technical regulation directly, through listing these requirements in the text of the regulation or indirectly, by reference of the technical regulation to the Serbian standard, or technical specification (Law on technical requirements for evaluation of product compliance, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 97/2010, Article 4.). Documents on compliance issued by a foreign body for evaluation of compliance and marks of compliance issued abroad are valid in the Republic of Serbia, if issued according to the verified international agreements of which the Republic of Serbia is signatory. The competent minister may acknowledge the validity of compliance of foreign documents and marks which confirm the compliance of the product with a foreign technical regulation, provided that the requirements from that regulation ensure at least the same level of protection of the safety of human life and health, protection of animals and plants, protection of environment, protection of consumers and other users and protection of property, defined by the requirements of Serbian technical regulations (Law on technical requirements for evaluation of product compliance, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 97/2010, Article 28.).

Pursuant to Law on standardisation („Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia”, br . 36/ 2009) and the Decision on Amendments of the Founding Act of the Institute for Standardization of Serbia („Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia”, No. 88 /2009 the Institute for Standardization of Serbia (ISS) is the only national body for standardization of the Republic of Serbia. Among other things, the ISS ensures harmonization of Serbian standards and related documents with European and International standards and related documents and participates in the preparation and reviews of the European and international standards and related documents brought by European and international organizations for standardization in the fields in which the needs and interests of the Republic of Serbia exist.

4.2.3. Buildings (Article 13(3) of Directive 2009/28/EC)

Please note that when referring to increasing the use of renewable energy sources in buildings, the supply of renewable electricity from the national grid should not be considered. The focus here is on increasing local supply of heat and/or electricity to individual buildings. The direct supply of heat or cooling through district heating and cooling in buildings could also be taken into account.

(a) Reference to existing national and regional legislation (if any) and summary of local legislation concerning the increase of the share of energy from renewable sources in the building sector:

In the national legislation, two rulebooks were adopted that concern the implementation of RES in the building sector, i.e.:

- Rulebook on Energy Efficiency of Buildings (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 61/2011)
- Rulebook on Conditions, Contents and Manner of Issuance of Certificates on the Energy Performance of Buildings (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 61/2011).

There is no specific regulatory framework in this field at the level of autonomous province and the local self-government units.

(b) Responsible Ministry(/ies)/authority(/ies):

The competent entities at the level of the Republic are:

- Ministry of Construction and Urban Planning
- Ministry of Energy, Development and Environmental Protection,

and at the level of autonomous province:

- Provincial Secretariat for Urban Planning, Construction and Environmental Protection
- Provincial Secretariat for Energy and Mineral Raw Materials.

(c) Revision of rules, if any, planned by: [date]

In the future period, adoption of the Law on Rational Use of Energy, as well as of accompanying by-laws is planned. This Law aims at regulating the field of energy efficiency and the use of RES (particularly in the building sector).

(d) Summary of the existing and planned measures at regional/local levels:

Pursuant to the existing legislation, the methodology of determining the energy performance of buildings was defined: determination of necessary annual heat for heating, total annual final and primary energy, annual CO₂ emission, reference climate data and recommended values of input parameters for

calculation (Rulebook on energy efficiency of buildings, Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 61/2011, Article 5.). In an efficient use of energy in buildings, the life of the building, climatic conditions of the site, building position and orientation, its purpose, conditions of comfort, materials and elements of the building structure and its envelope, installed technical systems and devices, as well as sources of energy and combined heat and power production and the possibility of using RES (Article 6.) are all taken into consideration. Technical and other requirements for the calculation of energy features of a building are defined by the Serbian standards which are harmonized with the relevant European standards.

Rulebook on conditions, contents and the manner of issuing the certificate on energy performance of buildings (Official Gazette of the RoS: 061/2011 od 19.08.2011.) defined that in the Energy Passport for residential, non-residential buildings and for the buildings of other purpose which use energy – The data on thermo-technical systems in the building comprise the following as well:

- type and manner of use of the systems with renewable sources
- the share of RES in the heat required for heating and sanitary hot water (%).

The Energy Passport forms a component part of the technical documentation enclosed to the application for issuance of the operation permit (Rulebook on conditions, contents and manner of issuance of certificates on energy properties of buildings, Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 61/2011, Article 9.).

(e) Are there minimum levels for the use of renewable energy in building regulations and codes? In which geographical areas and what are these requirements? (Please summarise.) In particular, what measures have been built into these codes to ensure the share of renewable energy used in the building sector will increase?

What are the future plans related to these requirements/measures?

At the national level, as well as at the level of autonomous province and the local level, there is no legislation prescribing compulsory use of RES in the building sector. In the forthcoming period adoption of legislation that will define the share of RES in the building sector, in particular for the new structures and the existing structures undergoing adaptation and reconstruction will be considered. In these terms particular consideration will concern the share of heat and sanitary hot water that should be provided from RES i.e. through the use of solar energy, biomass, geothermal energy and heat pumps. Adoption of this legislation in the heating and cooling sector should be also in compliance with incentive measures for the promotion of the use of RES in this sector (chapter 4.4). Incentives prescribed by the act of the competent authority of the local self-government units (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, Article 62.).

(f) What is the projected increase of renewable energy use in buildings until 2020? (If possible differentiating between residential — ‘single-unit’ and ‘multiple unit’, commercial, public and industrial.) (To answer this question you may use a table as Table 6 below. Data could be given yearly, or for selected years. Both heating and cooling and electricity consumption from renewable energy sources should be included.)

Consumption of final energy in 2005 amounted to 3,29 Mtoe, and the share of the building sector in the total consumption of final energy amounted to 48%, out of which 65% in the residential sector. The average annual consumption of heat in Serbia amounts to: residential buildings - 171 kWh/m² – district heating (DG) 55 kWh/m² – preparation of hot water (PTV), or for non-residential buildings - 194 kWh/m² – DG and 12 kWh/m² –PTV.

Table 6: Estimated share of renewable energy in the building sector (%)

	2005	2009	2015	2020
Residential		21	23	27
Commercial		-	-	-
Public		2	3	5
Industrial		1	2	3
Total		23	28	35

(g) Have obligations for minimum levels of renewable energy in new and newly refurbished buildings been considered in national policy? If so, what are these levels? If not, how will the appropriateness of this policy option be explored by 2015?

Pursuant to the existing legislation, there is no obligation for a minimum use of RES in the building sector (both in new and in renewed buildings). Regarding the possibility of prescribing a minimum share of RES in the building sector see the reply under (e). In the forthcoming period, prescribing a minimum share of RES in the building sector should be harmonized with the legislation dealing with the energy efficiency and reduction of the GHG emission.

(h) Please describe plans for ensuring the exemplary role of public buildings at national, regional and local level by using renewable energy installations or becoming zero energy buildings from 2012 onwards? (Please take into account the requirements under the EPBD).

Private, local and foreign investments in urban centers during the recent years affected the construction of combined multipurpose facilities with installed modern heating, ventilation and air-conditioning systems of high installed capacity. Some of these facilities are designed in accordance with the strictest EU energy efficiency standards, as well as with the RES-based systems. On the basis

of good practice cases in our country, there is a particular interest in the use of RES in commercial facilities, educational and health care institutions, as well as in tourist facilities.

In the forthcoming period, campaigns for the use of RES in the building sector are envisaged. These campaigns should also indicate the contribution to the reduction of GHG emissions.

(i) How are energy efficient renewable energy technologies in buildings promoted? (Such measures may concern biomass boilers, heat pumps and solar thermal equipment fulfilling eco-label requirements or other standards developed at national or Community level (cf. text of Article 13(6))).

There are no special measures for the promotion of energy efficient RES technologies in the building sector. In the forthcoming period, these measures could be defined after the adoption of the Law on Rational Use of Energy.

4.2.4. Information provisions (Articles 14(1), 14(2) and 14(4) of Directive 2009/28/EC)

Current and future information and awareness raising campaigns and programmes, as well as planned revisions, and expected results have to be described. Member States should also indicate which responsible authority will monitor and review the effects of the programmes. When regional/local authorities have a substantial role, please also indicate and summarise it.

(a) Reference to existing national and or regional legislation (if any) concerning information requirements according to Article 14 of Directive 2009/28/EC:

In compliance with the Article 14 (1), (2) and (4) of the Directive, there is no special regulatory framework referring to special requirements regarding information. The specific legislation concerning the obligation of presenting information on procedures for obtaining certificates and the certification in the field of RES does not exist in Serbia.

(b) Responsible body/(ies) for dissemination of information at national/regional/local levels:

The ministry in charge of energy-related affairs is obligated to implement the energy policy, which is derived from the Energy Law. The ministry in charge of energy-related affairs, among other things, should provide:

- preparation of proposals for the implementation of energy efficiency, use of RES and the protection of environment;

- preparation of criteria for the evaluation of unit efficiency in the use of energy and the manner of their marking/labelling in compliance with the corresponding international regulations and standards;
- consulting, advisory and educational activities in promoting the improvement of energy efficiency;

The competent institutions which should be in charge of information at the various levels are:

- Serbian Chamber of Engineers
- Serbian Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Regional Energy Efficiency Centres
- Provincial Secretariat for Energy and Mineral Raw Materials
- Local self-government units, or appropriate services in charge of the system of organized energy management at the local level.

(c) Summary of the existing and planned measures at regional/local levels (where relevant):

In the previous period, no special measures were developed at the regional and local level. In the forthcoming period, during the consideration and preparation of measures, adopted legislation, as well as other important documents (Energy Sector Development Strategy, Programme of Implementation of the Energy Sector Development Strategy, Action plan for Biomass etc.) should be taken into account.

(d) Please indicate how information is made available on supporting measures for using renewable energy sources in electricity, heating and cooling and in transport to all relevant actors (consumers, builders, installers, architects, suppliers of relevant equipment and vehicles). Who is responsible for the adequacy and the publishing of this information? Are there specific information resources for the different target groups, such as end consumers, builders, property managers, property agents, installers, architects, farmers, suppliers of equipment using renewable energy sources, public administration? Are there information campaigns or permanent information centres in the present, or planned in the future?

Campaigns conducted in the previous period were organized by ministries, agencies and funds in charge of activities in the field of energy and environmental protection. Additionally, campaigns were organized by the Serbian Chamber of Engineers, Serbian Chamber of Commerce, non-governmental organisations, R&D institutions (institutes and faculties), professional organizations and societies (associations) and the regional energy efficiency centres (Beograd, Novi Sad, Nis and Kragujevac).

Government authorities, R&D institutions, institutions in the field of education, information, culture and other institutions, as well as other forms of

association, within their activities, stimulate, direct and ensure raising of awareness about the importance of environmental protection. Raising of awareness about the importance of environmental protection is ensured through the system of education and upbringing, R&D and technological development, upgrading during the process of work, public information and popularization of environmental protection (Law on Environmental Protection, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 135/2004, 36/2009, Article 6.).

Ministry of Energy, Development and Environmental Protection carries out the activities related to promotion of energy efficiency and its importance in the Republic of Serbia, management of programmes and projects for the rational use of energy more intensive use of RES (Law on Amendments and Supplements of the Energy Law, Article 19. and Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, Article 180).

(e) Who is responsible for publishing information on the net benefits, costs and energy efficiency of equipment and systems using renewable energy sources for heating, cooling and electricity? (Supplier of the equipment or system, public body or someone else?)

All information on the characteristics of equipment and systems used for RES are published by the producers and suppliers of equipment. These information are accessible at the web sites of the organisations arranging presentations of these equipments and systems or are supplied in electronic form to all participants of the presentation (Serbian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Serbian Chamber of Engineers, R&D organizations and professional organizations and associations).

In the forthcoming period the information system should be improved with the aim to have information accessible to a larger number of interested parties, particularly to natural and legal persons which are not in a position to attend public presentations. In these terms, a web site will be established where all information related to RES will be available. For the preparation of that web site existing database on companies dealing with RES issues will be used.

(f) How is guidance for planners and architects provided to help them to properly consider the optimal combination of renewable energy sources, high efficiency technologies and district heating and cooling when planning, designing, building and renovating industrial or residential areas? Who is responsible for that?

This information is available through presentations organized within the Serbian Chamber of Engineers and other professional organisations (there are organizations with long tradition which organize various events).

(g) Please describe the existing and planned information, awareness raising and training programmes for citizens on the benefits and practicalities of developing and using energy from renewable sources. What is the role of regional and local actors in the designing and managing these programmes?

In the previous period, Energy Efficiency Agency and regional centres participated in these activities. In view of the fact that, pursuant to the Amendments and Supplements of the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 93/2012) the Energy Efficiency Agency was abolished (Article 11.), the Ministry of Energy, Development and Environmental Protection will organize activities in that field in the forthcoming period.

4.2.5. Certification of installers (Article 14(3) of Directive 2009/28/EC)

(a) Reference to existing national and/or regional legislation (if any) concerning certification or equivalent qualification schemes for installers according to Article 14(3) of the Directive 2009/28/EC:

Pursuant to the legislation of the Republic of Serbia, only the certification of contractors for execution of installation and fitting of equipment into facilities requiring construction permit is prescribed. The procedure of certification of contractors for execution of installation and fitting of equipment for the use of renewable energy sources is prescribed in the following acts:

- Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 and 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011)
- Rulebook on conditions, programme and manner of passing a professional examination in the field of spatial and urban planning, elaboration of technical documentation and construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 04/2010, 21/2010 and 14/2012)
- Decision on types of licenses issued by the Serbian Chamber of Engineers (No. 1493/1-3 od 02.07.2012.).

Pursuant to the above listed acts, issuance of licenses is foreseen only for engineers, while no certification procedure is prescribed for fitters (installers).

(b) Responsible body/(ies) for setting up and authorising certification/qualification schemes by 2012 for installers of small-scale biomass boilers and stoves, solar photovoltaic and solar thermal systems, shallow geothermal systems and heat pumps:

Serbian Chamber of Engineers is in charge of determination of the fulfilment of conditions for issuing or withdrawal of the license for responsible contractors in compliance with the Law (Law on Planning and Construction, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 and 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011) and the Rulebook (Rulebook on Conditions, Programme

and the Manner of Passing Professional Examination in the Field of Spatial and Urban Planning, Elaboration of the Technical Documentation and Construction ("Official Gazette of the RoS" No. 04/2010, 21/2010 and 14/2012). Serbian Chamber of Engineers is in charge for the following activities:

- verification of the compliance of issued licenses as per regulations of other countries
- keeping records on issued licenses
- informing of the members of the Chamber on all significant activities of the Chamber and its members
- arranging and improving conditions for performing professional work in the field of design and construction of facilities
- development of professional relations in the relevant field
- adoption of norms and criteria for evaluation of value of work
- proposal of adoption of corresponding regulations to competent authorities
- cooperation with relevant ministries and government authorities in preparation and implementation of the legal and other regulations related to the fields of activity of the Chamber
- establishing, maintenance and enhancement of cooperation with other chambers of engineers and other related organisations and institutions in the country and abroad.

(c) Are such certification schemes/qualifications already in place? If so, please, describe.

The Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 and 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011, 121/2012), Article 161, envisages passing of a professional exam for carrying out certain activities/jobs prescribed by this law. The license can be acquired by the person having university or high school education of appropriate profession, or department, completed professional exam and minimum 3 years of working/practical experience, for designers and contractors, or minimum 5 years for the high school graduates. Serbian Chamber of Engineers issues licenses for the responsible town planning engineer, designer and contractor (Article 162. the Law on Planning and Construction, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009 and 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011, 121/2012).

The Rulebook on conditions, programme and manner of the professional exam in the field of spatial and urban planning, preparation of technical documentation and construction (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 04/2010, 21/2010 and 14/2012) prescribed that administrative-vocational and technical activities related to the professional exam are carried out by the Serbian Chamber of Engineers. The right to sit for a professional exam belongs to persons with acquired university education, at the second grade studies (bachelor level, academic studies-master, specialistic academic studies, specialistic vocational studies), or undergraduate studies of minimum four years, as well as the ones with

acquired university education at the I grade studies (basic academic studies), and secondary-school education of civil engineering, architecture, mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, chemical engineering or other appropriate technical professions, with minimum two years of practical experience in that profession at corresponding jobs. Additionally, it is prescribed that the right to sit for an exam for the responsible engineer for energy efficiency of buildings is valid for the persons with minimum four years of practical experience in that profession and completed training in the field of energy efficiency of buildings, in compliance with the programme of the Serbian Chamber of Engineers.

In compliance with the Decision on Types of Licenses issued by the Serbian Chamber of Engineers (No. 1493/1-3 od 02.07.2012.), types of licenses for the responsible contracting engineer have been defined, i.e.:

License code	License title	Description of activities
<p style="text-align: center;">Graduated Mechanical Engineer (Article 25 of the Decision)</p> <p>Condition: Diploma of the Mechanical Engineering Faculty in Belgrade – Department of Thermal Engineering, Thermal Energy, Process Engineering, or Diploma of the Mechanical Engineering Faculty in Nis - – Department of Thermal Engineering, Thermal Energy, Process Engineering, or Diploma of the Mechanical Engineering Faculty in Kraljevo - Group for Thermal Engineering and Environmentl Protection, or Diploma of the Mechanical Engineering Faculty in Kragujevac – Department for Energy and Process Engineering, or Diploma of the Faculty of Technical Science in Novi Sad - Department for Energy and Process Engineering Diplomas acquired at the above stated universities in compliance with the Law on Higher Education („Official Gazette of the RoS“, No. 76/2005, 100/2007, 97/2008, 44/2010), in the field of mechanical engineering (graduated – master) at the departments, orientations, modules etc., where the curricula ensure the same professional competencies, as well as diplomas acquired in the departments of the above listed faculties, where the teaching was held until the enactment of the Law on Higher Education („Official Gazette of the RoS“, No. 76/2005, 100/2007, 97/2008, 44/2010)</p>		
430	Responsible contracting engineer in thermal engineering, thermal power, processing and gas engineering	Execution of installations and fitting of equipment for the use of renewable and alternative types of energy - solar and geothermal energy, wind energy, biomass
<p style="text-align: center;">Engineer of specialistic vocational studies in Mechanical Engineering (Article 26 of the Decision)</p> <p>Condition: Diploma of specialistic vocational studies in the field of Mechanical Engineering</p>		

<p>– of appropriate department (general mechanical engineering, production engineering, construction engineering, machinery, thermal engineering, process engineering etc.) acquired as per the Law on Higher Education („Official Gazette of the RoS“, No. 76/2005, 100/2007, 97/2008 , 44/2010)</p>		
730	<p>Responsible contracting engineer, with specialistic vocational studies, mechanical equipment and installations</p>	<p>Execution of installations and fitting of equipment in the facilities for which the construction permit is issued by the local self-government unit - installations for the use of renewable energy - solar energy, wind energy, geothermal energy, hydropower, biomass, combustible industrial and municipal waste</p>
<p>Mechanical Engineer (Article 27 of the Decision) Diploma više škole (VI grade) in the field of Mechanical Engineering - of appropriate department (general mechanical engineering, production engineering, construction engineering, mechanisation, thermal engineering, process engineering etc) Diploma of basic academic or basic vocational studies in the field of Mechanical Engineering – of appropriate department acquired as per the Law on Higher Education („Official Gazette of the RoS“, No. 76/2005, 100/2007, 97/2008 , 44/2010)</p>		
830	<p>Responsible engineer for mechanical installations</p>	<p>Execution of installations and fitting of equipment in the facilities for which the construction permit is issued by the local self-government unit, of the maximum gross area of up to 2000 m² and maximum installed heat capacity of up to 300 kW (heating power or total cooling performance) - installations for the use of renewable energy - solar energy, wind energy, geothermal energy, hydropower, biomass, combustible industrial and municipal waste</p>

Serbian Chamber of Engineers organizes one-day workshops aimed at providing quality preparation for the candidates for the professional exam. The candidates applying for the professional examination in the field of energy efficiency of buildings are obligated to successfully complete the training in the field of energy efficiency of buildings prior to sitting for the exam.

(d) Is information on these schemes publicly available? Are lists of certified or qualified installers published? If so, where? Are other schemes accepted as equivalent to the national/regional scheme?

All regulations related to the procedure of obtaining licenses for engineers are available in electronic form on the Internet .

The list of contractors possessing licenses for the execution of installations and fitting of equipment for the use of renewable energy sources is available at the web site of the Serbian Chamber of Engineers. Browsing of the list of contractors possessing licenses can be carried out as per several criteria (section, license type, job title, name and family name and municipality of residence).

(e) Summary of existing and planned measures at regional/local levels (where relevant).

Having in mind that the existing documents define the manner of obtaining licenses for the execution of installations and fitting of equipment for the use of RES only for engineers, in the forthcoming period the following activities are envisaged:

- defining the procedure for certification of installers (fitters) of equipment for the use of renewable energy sources (furnaces and boilers using biomass, heat pumps, geothermal plants, solar photovoltaics, solar panels for water heating) in compliance with accredited programmes/curricula. Data on certified installers/fitters shall be publicly available.
- organizing of accredited programmes/curricula for the training of installers (fitters) for the specific RES-using equipment, as a part of permanent professional upgrading and obtaining of the certificate on successfully completed training. Accredited training programmes can be organized by various institutions (Serbian Chamber of Engineers, chambers of commerce, R&D organizations, vocational associations, regional EE centres) which would meet the set criteria, on the basis of a public call by the ministry in charge of energy-related affairs. Training programmes/curricula (with compulsory content of a theoretical and practical training) shall be accredited in compliance with the corresponding act that will be adopted in the forthcoming period. The training ends with a mandatory exam and it must also comprise evaluation of the compulsory practical work, i.e. installation of the appropriate equipment covered by the upgrading programme
- ensuring better information on the procedure of obtaining the license, or certification of installers (fitters), publishing of information at the web sites of the Ministry of Energy, Development and Spatial Planning in the part concerning RES, of the Serbian Chamber of Engineers, and of the chambers of commerce.

4.2.6. Electricity infrastructure development (Article 16(1) and Article 16(3) to (6) of Directive 2009/28/EC)

Besides the current situation and already existing legislation future actions, planned revisions, responsible bodies for it and expected results have to be described.

(a) Reference to existing national legislation concerning requirements related to the energy grids (Article 16):

The connection to the electric power network, or transmission and distribution system, is regulated through relevant regulations i.e.:

- Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – correction and 93/2012 and 124/2012),
- Decree on Conditions of Electricity Delivery (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 107/2005),
- Decision on Establishing the Methodology for Setting Costs of Connection to the Electricity Transmission and Distribution System (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 77/2012). This Decision will be in force from 01 January 2013,
- Electricity Transmission Grid Code (Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 55/2008, 3/2012),
- Electricity Distribution Grid Code (EDB Beograd, Elektrosrbija Kraljevo, ED Centar Kragujevac, ED Jugoistok Niš and Elektrovojvodina Novi Sad),
- Decree on Conditions for Obtaining the Privileged Producer Status (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 08/2013) and
- Decree on Incentives for Privileged Power Producers (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 08/2013)

and in compliance with standards and technical regulations referring to the conditions for connection to and the use of electric power facilities, equipments and plants.

(b) How is it ensured that transmission and distribution grids will be developed with a view to integrating the targeted amount of renewable electricity while maintaining the secure operation of the electricity system? How is this requirement included in the transmission and distribution operators' periodical network planning?

In compliance with the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/2012), Article 72., transmission system operator is obligated to prepare a transmission system development plan for the period of minimum ten years, harmonized with the plan of development of distribution systems and requirements for the connection of producer and

consumer/purchaser facilities. All details related to the preparation of the Plan are defined by the Electricity Transmission Grid Code and in internal documentation of the PC Electricity Grids of Serbia (PC EMS). The Plan is prepared on the basis of the revision of the previous one, in line with new knowledge and experiences in the operation and maintenance of a transmission grid, as well as its harmonization with the plans of the distribution system operators. The preparation of the Plan faces a great uncertainty of input parameters on the basis of which the perspective is to be envisaged, and which depends on a large number of factors, among others on the price of energy carriers, change of the consumption and production level, connection of new facilities (including facilities using RES and plans on construction of new facilities using RES) and the situation at the internal and regional electricity market.

Transmission system development plan is prepared against the following principles:

- to ensure as flexible operation of production capacities as possible in all foreseeable modes of operation of the electric power system
- to acknowledge the need to meet the future consumption of all users of the transmission system
- to also meet the needs of exchange of electricity at the electricity market
- to contain data on trends in the total consumption and production with particular emphasis on significant changes, appearance of new, or discontinuation of existing facilities of the users of the transmission system
- to provide for all existing and potential users of the transmission system, participants at the electricity market and competent authorities, a comprehensive review of the transmission system development in a given time interval, to enable insight into all major changes in the transmission system (list, location and basic characteristics of transmission facilities that will be reconstructed, expanded or constructed, or discontinued, including interconnection transmission lines).
- Special problem for the preparation of the Plan is planning of the manner and timing for connection of wind power plants. Thus, special research was conducted within the studies carried out by the transmission and distribution systems operators on the possible solutions of the issue of connecting wind power plants. PC EMS is ready to accept electricity from the wind power plants, but it was estimated that large total investments would be required into the transmission system for the construction of new transmission lines. Further activities in the forthcoming period shall be conducted in order to resolve the problem of connection of the wind power plants to the transmission system. At the same time, training of the transmission and distribution system operators' staff is also planned, which would enable the trained personnel to investigate the possibility of integration of wind farms into the electric power system in a technically satisfactory manner and later to manage the electric power system with integrated wind farms of a significant size.

- Since 2006, requests have been submitted to PC EMS for elaboration of the analysis of optimum connection conditions, technical conditions for the connection to transmission system needed for the preparation of technical documentation within the location permit procedure, opinion on the conditions and possibilities of connecting energy facilities to the transmission system, decision on the connection to the transmission system and the contract on the connection of distribution facilities to the transmission system.

(c) What will be the role of intelligent networks, information technology tools and storage facilities? How will their development be ensured?

Participation in the regional market conditions that the operators of the transmission system should be established as a modern organized company in compliance with European norms. That also means introduction and enabling of all functions of a technical control system. So far, in the national dispatch center all SCADA/EMS system functions for the real time control (SCADA, AGC, status estimator, safety analysis...) have been established. Besides, this system also has a dispatcher training simulator, thus fulfilling all requirements of the Interconnection Code. For these functions to be used to the maximum, necessary parts of the neighboring transmission systems were integrated into the system. Besides the control system, the following systems have also been integrated into the national dispatch center: system for work plans administration, system for market functions of the transmission system operator (including the balancing mechanism), system for allocation of the cross-border transmission system and system for calculation of metering data. The said systems are interlinked and exchange necessary data. At the level of regional dispatch centers controlling the 110 kV grid, currently operating SCADA systems will be upgraded in the forthcoming period by a part of functions existing in the national dispatch center system.

Major deficiency of the existing control system is that a significant number of distribution facilities is not integrated into these systems, and that should be the priority within the development of this system, as a prerequisite for introduction of intelligent grids, along with the introduction of advanced meters.

Telecommunication systems are one of the most attractive areas for joint investment, as a good portion of the necessary infrastructure already exists. Construction of a sophisticated telecommunication system will not only enable meeting the technical needs, but also rendering services to other users. Basic development trend in the field of telecommunication is establishment of the telecommunication transmission network, telephone network and mobile radio-links network, where the basic element of the telecommunication system, the telecommunication transmission network, operates via an optical transmission system and partly via directional radio-relay links. The optical system of the transmission system operator has already been established and it fulfills all

functions in line with the Interconnection code, or it functions as the channel for exchanging data with the neighboring transmission systems within the unique paneuropean telecommunication system.

Transmission and distribution system codes set technical standards for information technologies used in managing these systems. Harmonized development plans of the transmission and distribution systems envisage further introduction of new technologies required for the management of the system. Energy Agency of the Republic of Serbia gives approvals on these plans and monitors their implementation.

(d) Is the reinforcement of the interconnection capacity with neighbouring countries planned? If so, which interconnectors, for which capacity and by when?

Analysis of the transmission system indicates the need for an as good interconnection with the countries of this region as possible. Synchronous operation with ENTSO-E interconnection Continental Europe offers undisputable facilities for increased exchange of electricity and reduction of risks regarding the procurement of the part of lacking quantities of electricity. Improved communications with the neighboring countries also enables participation in the regional electricity market of the South-East Europe.

In compliance with the Plan of development of the transmission system for the period from 2013 until 2017 (2022) prepared by the PC Electric Power Network of Serbia, it is foreseen that the following facilities/projects for increasing capacities with neighboring countries be constructed in the forthcoming period:

- double interconnection DV 400 kV TS Pančevo 2 – state border of Serbia and Romania - TS Rešica (Sokol) - ensuring electricity transit through the transmission grid of Serbia along the east/northeast–west/southwest line. Indicative year of entering into operation: 2014 to the state border (~ 65 km),.
- new transformer station TS 400/110 kV Vranje 4 and the lines for the connection TS 400/110 kV Vranje 4 – ensuring higher capacity transfer from the north, northwest and northeast towards Greece and Macedonia

(e) How is the acceleration of grid infrastructure authorisation procedures addressed? What is the current state and average time for getting approval? How will it be improved? (Please refer to current status and legislation, bottlenecks detected and plans to streamline procedure with timeframe of implementation and expected results.)

The connection to electric power grid is carried out upon obtaining the operation permit. The facility of the electricity producer is connected to the

power transmission or distribution system under the conditions and in the manner prescribed in the legislation listed in the item (a).

Transmission, or distribution system operator is obligated to decide on the application for approval for the connection of a power plant to the power grid within sixty days from the date of receipt of written requirement. Competent energy entity is obligated to issue a positive decision, if all conditions are fulfilled, on the basis of the technical report, calculation of costs of connection and other available documents

Energy entity of the system where the power producer's facility is connected will approve the connection if it establishes that the equipments and installations of the facility to be connected fulfill conditions prescribed by the laws, technical and other regulations regulating the conditions and manner of exploitation of these facilities. The system operator is bound to connect the facility of the electricity producer to the transmission or distribution system within 15 days from the date of fulfillment of the following conditions:

- conditions from the approval to connect
- acquired operation permit for the facility or that the equipments and installations of the producer's facility meet technical and other prescribed conditions
- arranged balancing responsibility and access to the system at the point of commissioning.

In the forthcoming period, it is envisaged that the connection to the power grid is included within the analysis of possibilities of simplification of procedures, as well as that the procedures concerning the required documentation and deadlines are harmonized for all power distribution system companies.

(f) How is coordination between grid infrastructure approval and other administrative planning procedures ensured?

In compliance with the defined procedure for obtaining permits and approvals, the investor is bound to acquire the right to construct and the right to engage in relevant activities. During the acquisition of the said rights, the investor must submit the application to the system operator three times, i.e.:

- for obtaining the energy permit he must obtain the opinion of the system operator on conditions and possibilities for the connection to the system,
- before the issuance of the location permit the investor must obtain the conditions for the connection to the electric power grid and
- after obtaining the operation permit he should execute the connection of the facility (power plant) to the electric power grid.

The procedure of the construction of facility does not specifically define the relation and coordination between the system operator and other institutions in charge of issuing permits and approvals.

In the forthcoming period, in compliance with the activities aimed at establishment of one-stop-shop the link between the system operator and other

institutions competent for issuing permits and approvals during the procedure of construction of the facility will be established.

(g) Are priority connection rights or reserved connection capacities provided for new installations producing electricity from renewable energy sources?

The facility of the electricity producer is connected to the transmission and distribution system on the basis of the approval of the competent system operator (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/12, Article 129.). Approval for the connection of the facility is issued through a decision issued upon request of a natural or legal person or entrepreneur (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/12, Article 130.). The request must be accompanied with the energy permit and license for engaging in the activity of electricity production. Besides, for completed structures the construction permit is also enclosed, as well as the proof on property right or the right to use the facility. Connection to transmission or distribution system of the facilities for the construction or use of which the operation permit was not acquired in compliance with the law is not allowed.

The said procedure for the connection of the electricity producer's facility does not foresee any right of priority for the facilities using RES.

(h) Are any renewable installations ready to come online but not connected due to capacity limitations of the grid? If so, what steps are taken to resolve this and by when is it expected to be solved?

At the time of writing this document, there was no facility of the electricity producer using RES which was not connected to the transmission and distribution system due to limitations of the grid capacity.

(i) Are the rules on cost sharing and bearing of network technical adaptations set up and published by transmission and distribution system operators? If so, where? How is it ensured that these rules are based on objective, transparent and non-discriminatory criteria? Are there special rules for producers located in peripheral regions and regions with low population density? (Cost bearing rules define which part of the costs is covered by the generator wishing to be connected and which part by the transmission or distribution system operator.

Cost sharing rules define how the necessary cost should be distributed between subsequently connected producers that all benefit from the same reinforcements or new lines.)

The Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – cor. 93/2012 i 124/12), defines duties and obligations of the transmission system and the distribution system operators:

- transmission system operator (Article 72) is obligated to bring decision on the cost of the access to the transmission system without any discrimination between the users/groups of users of the transmission system,
- distribution system operator (Article 77) is obligated to bring decision on the cost of the access to the distribution system and publish the costs of connection, without any discrimination between the users/groups of users of the distribution system.

The Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – ispr., 93/2012 i 124/12), Article 75 and Article 77, defines that the complete connection, including metering unit, belongs to the transmission, or distribution company which is responsible for its construction and maintenance, and the costs of connection are to be borne by the applicant (Article 132.). Methodology adopted by the Energy Agency of the Republic of Serbia, details criteria and manner of determination of the costs of connection of the producer's electric power facilities to the electricity transmission and distribution system in compliance with regulations concerning engagement in energy-related activities and conditions of electricity supply.

Costs of connection to the electricity transmission, or distribution system are borne by the applicant (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – cor. 93/2012 i 124/12, Article 132.). The amount of costs is determined by the energy entity in charge of electricity transmission or distribution, in compliance with the methodology for setting the cost of connection adopted by the Energy Agency. The methodology defines the manner and detailed criteria for the calculation of the cost of connection. (The Methodology is available at the web site of the Energy Agency, www.aers.rs), depending on the approved installed capacity, location of the connection, required works or the need to install necessary equipment and other objective criteria. Energy entity to whose system the facility is to be connected issues, on the basis of the methodology, its own act where it sets the costs of the connection.

Through determined and publicly announced prices for the access and operation of the electricity transmission and distribution system, the electricity producer is informed about his financial liabilities. During the procedure of obtaining approvals for the connection and the connection itself, no financial deposits are envisaged.

Pursuant to existing legislation, there is no difference in prices of the connection to transmission or distribution system in different environments (poorly populated or well populated places).

(j) Please describe how the costs of connection and technical adaptation are attributed to producers and/or transmission and/or distribution system operators? How are transmission and distribution system operators able to recover these investment costs? Is any modification of these cost bearing rules planned in the future?

What changes do you envisage and what results are expected? (There are several options for distributing grid connection costs. Member States are likely to choose one or a combination of these. According to the ‘deep’ connection cost charging the developer of the installation generating electricity from renewable energy sources bears several grid infrastructure related costs (grid connection, grid reinforcement, and extension). Another approach is the ‘shallow’ connection cost charging, meaning that the developer bears only the grid connection cost, but not the costs of reinforcement and extension (this is built into the grid tariffs and paid by the customers). A further variant is when all connection costs are socialised and covered by the grid tariffs.)

In the procedure of construction of the facility, energy entity to whose system the energy producer’s facility is to be connected issues conditions for the connection of the producer’s facility to the electric power grid. Conditions for the connection define the possibility of connection of the producer’s facility to the electric power grid, or the electric power and technical conditions necessary for the elaboration of main design for the construction of facility. Technical report determines, on the basis of conducted analysis, whether there are electric power and technical conditions for potential future connection the facility upon submission of the application. On the basis of the technical report, the energy entity, to whose system the producer’s facility is to be connected issues to the investor into the construction of the facility, or to the competent authority the act on conditions for the connection.

Costs of the connection are determined on the basis of the following criteria (Decision on Setting the Methodology for Determination of Costs of Connection to Electricity Transmission and Distribution System (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 77/2012), chapter III.1):

- technical characteristics of the connection,
- type and scope of works required for the connection of the facility to the electricity transmission, or distribution system and other conditions related to the construction, or execution of works on the connection (which is defined on the basis of approved capacity, voltage level of the grid to which it is connected and the distance to the existing grid, number of phases, number of metering units, type and cross-section of the power line, type of equipment, devices and material installed pursuant to the technical conditions for connection defined by the technical regulations and transmission, or distribution system codes, as well as the need of elaboration, or obtaining of the design and other documentation for construction of the connection, or execution of works).

Costs of the connection comprise (Decision on Setting the Methodology for Determination of Costs of Connection to Electricity Transmission and Distribution System (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 77/2012), chapter III.2):

- costs of equipment, units and material

- costs of execution of works
- costs of elaboration of the design, obtaining of necessary documentation and creating other conditions for construction of the connection
- part of the system costs occurred due to the connection of the facility, depending on the approved capacity,
- types of connections are (Decision on Setting the Methodology for Determination of Costs of Connection to Electricity Transmission and Distribution System (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 77/2012), chapter IV);
- standard connection (individual and group standard connection) and
- custom connection (refers to the facilities of the electricity producer).

Custom connection is any connection which, due to its complexity, does not allow tipisation of solutions and averaging of the construction costs (Decision on Establishing the Methodology for Setting the Costs of Connection to Electricity Transmission oand Distribution System (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 77/2012), chapter IV.2). As custom connection is understood:

- connection of the facility of an electricity producer and
- connection of the customer’s facility which does not fulfill conditions for being classified as standard connection pursuant to this methodology.

If, due to technical conditions of the connection, the individual connection also includes the construction of an electric power system facility solely for the needs of the applicant, costs of construction of the connection on these grounds are determined in the amount required for the construction of that facility with the capacity requested by the applicant or for the first higher standardized rated capacity of the transformer and the first larger standardized cross-section of the power line.

Determination of the costs of connection depends on the type of connection i.e.:

	Description of the cost	Type of cost	
		Fixed	
Custom connection			
1	Cost of the custom connection construction	+	+
2	System costs occurred due to the connection of the facility	+	+

Thus, pursuant to the said methodology, the electricity producer bears only the costs of construction of the connection, and is free from paying costs of development of a part of the system („shallow“ scheme). On the other part, the purchaser bears a part of development costs of a part of the system, but this share decreases with time, tending to disappear in the forthcoming period, so that the purchasers would pay for the connection as well as producers.

(k) Are there rules for sharing the costs between initially and subsequently connected producers? If not, how are the benefits for subsequently connected producers taken into account?

The existing regulations and procedures defined for connecting to the transmission and distribution of electricity is not provided for the attribution of costs between producer plants. The producer plant subsequently joined under no obligation to participate in the reconstruction of part of the costs previously incurred by the plant attached to the individual port. Individual connection costs incurred by the previously attached plant become the property after construction of the transmission and distribution system operator and new facility is connected to the existing network. For the new plant, there is no regulation or methodology, which takes into account the benefit that is achieved in this way.

(l) How will it be ensured that transmission and distribution system operators provide new producers wishing to be connected with the necessary information on costs, a precise timetable for processing their requests and an indicative timetable for their grid connection?

Information on the connection to the power transmission and distribution systems is available at internet sites of the following institutions:

- Energy Agency (www.aers.rs)
- PC Electric Power Network of Serbia (www.ems.rs)
- Elektrosrbija d.o.o. Kraljevo (www.elektrosrbija.rs)
- Jugoistok d.o.o. Niš (www.jugoistok.com)
- Centar d.o.o. Kragujevac (www.edcentar.com)
- Elektro distribucija – Beograd d.o.o. Beograd (www.edb.co.rs)
- Elektrovojvodina d.o.o. Novi Sad (www.elektrovojvodina.co.rs).

Information on the procedure for connection is also available in the Guides for Investors prepared for the perusal of the Ministry of Energy, Development and Environmental Protection.

4.2.7. Electricity network operation (Article 16(2) and Article 16(7) and (8) of Directive 2009/28/EC)

(a) How is the transmission and distribution of electricity from renewable energy sources guaranteed by transmission and distribution system operators? Is priority or guaranteed access ensured?

Incentive measures for the use of renewable energy sources for electricity generation comprise the obligation of the purchase of electricity from the privileged producer, prices at which the said electricity is purchased and the validity period of the electricity purchase and undertaking the balancing responsibility (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 –

corr. 93/2012 i 124/12, Article 59.). The public supplier is obligated to purchase electricity from the privileged producer on the basis of the electricity purchase contract.

In compliance with the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/12, Article 60.), privileged electricity producer has priority when the takeover of the total produced electricity into the transmission or distribution system is concerned, except in the case when the security of operation of these systems is jeopardized.

(b) How is it ensured that transmission system operators, when dispatching electricity generating installations give priority to those using renewable energy sources?

The privileged producer of electricity enjoys priority in the purchase which must be respected by the public supplier on the basis of the electricity purchase contract (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/12, Article 59.).

According to the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/12, Article 60.), privileged electricity producer enjoys priority in supplying the total produced electricity into the transmission or distribution system, except in the case when the security of operation of these systems is jeopardized.

(c) How are grid- and market-related operational measures taken in order to minimise the curtailment of electricity from renewable energy sources? What kinds of measures are planned and when is implementation expected? (Market and grid design that enable the integration of variable resources could cover measures such as trading closer to real time (changing from day-ahead to intra-day forecasting and rescheduling of generators), aggregation of market areas, ensuring sufficient cross border interconnection capacity and trade, improved cooperation of adjacent system operators, the use of improved communication and control tools, demand-side management and active demand-side participation in markets (through two-way communication systems — smart metering), increased distributed production and domestic storage (e.g. electric cars) with active management of distribution networks (smart grids).)

Planning of the operation of an electric power system includes planning activities related to a time horizon ranging from one year to one day ahead. The most important activities conducted within the planning of the operation of an electric power system are: preparation of an annual, monthly and weekly schedule of the electric power system; preparation of the daily schedule of the electric power system; preparation of outage plans for the transmission grid; assessment of the cross-border transmission capacities.

For the Daily Work Plan PC EMS uses ENTSO-E Scheduling System (http://www.ems.rs/stranice/tehnicke_informacije/ess_inf.htm), which is aimed at describing the balancing calculation system set according to national requirements in the field of energy and electricity market which impose that each supplier must be balanced. In that way the operation of the balancing and calculation process in various phases is provided:

- day-ahead or planning phase;
- intraday or operating phase;
- day-after or calculating phase.

The use of the planning management system enables the participant to fulfill the tasks that are the part of his duties. Depending on the previously defined roles of the participants, the schedules can be notified, changed or agreed. This includes responsibilities defined through ENTSO-E standards and the rules of operation of the transmission system and market rules. In compliance with its balancing responsibility, the participant can notify about plans for entities – production and consumption – for which it is responsible or is their owner.

In compliance with the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/12, Article 60.), privileged electricity producer enjoys priority in the takeover of the total produced electricity into the transmission of distribution system, except in the case when the security of operation of these systems is jeopardized.

(d) Is the energy regulatory authority informed about these measures? Does it have the competence to monitor and enforce implementation of these measures?

Regulatory authority for energy (Energy Agency) is informed about the said measures (item (c)) and monitors:

- implementation of the rules on the distribution of cross-border transmission capacities in cooperation with regulatory bodies of other countries/states;
- implementation of mechanisms for elimination of congestion in the transmission, or in the transport system;
- time required by the system operators to execute connection to the system, or elimination of the fault in case of interrupted supply;
- publishing of data by the transmission and transport system operators regarding the cross-border capacities and the use of the system;
- manner of use of reserve in the system;
- conditions and costs of the connection of the new electricity producer to the transmission or distribution system, providing for the guaranteed objectivity, transparency and non-discrimination, particularly bearing in mind the costs and benefits from various technologies for electricity generation from renewable energy sources and the combined heat and power production.

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(e) Are plants generating electricity from renewable energy sources integrated in the electricity market? Could you please describe how? What are their obligations regarding participation in the electricity market?

Plants for electricity generation (power plants) are integrated in the electricity market in compliance with the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/201180/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/12), duties and obligations of the electricity producer are defined (Article 68.), so that he has to:

- fulfill conditions from the license for performing the energy-related activities
- respect regulations and the rules related to the operation of the transmission and distribution system and functioning of the market, as well as regulations related to protection of competition
- offer system services to the transmission, or distribution system operator, in compliance with technical characteristics and the transmission and distribution system codes and the the electricity market code;
- sign a contract with the transmission and distribution system operators on rendering system services;
- offer to the transmission system operator all available capacity required for balancing and ensuring of the safe system operation in compliance with technical characteristics and the transmission and distribution system codes and the electricity market code.

(f) What are the rules for charging transmission and distribution tariffs to generators of electricity from renewable energy sources?

The rules for charging transmission and distribution tariff to electricity generators are defined by the following acts:

- Decision on Establishing the Methodology for Setting the Cost of Access to the Electricity Transmission System („Official Gazette of the RoS“, No. 93/12)
- Decision on Establishing the Methodology for Setting the Cost of Access to the Electricity Distribution System („Official Gazette of the RoS“, No. 105/12).

4.2.8. Biogas integration into the natural gas network (Article 16(7) and Article 16(9) and (10) of Directive 2009/28/EC)

Regulatory framework in the field of energy in the Republic of Serbia defines rights and obligations of energy entities engaged in the energy-related activity related to natural gas. The legislation does not define the production of biogas for integration into the natural gas grid as energy-related activity, so that it is necessary that the existing legislation (Energy Law) concerning natural gas be

amended, as well as that it is defined that all provisions applicable to the natural gas are also valid for biogas (biomethane – quality and refined/purified biogas or syngas-synthesis gas). At the same time, the legislation should define rights and obligations of the energy entity carrying out the activity of biogas production regarding integration into the natural gas grid. Additionally, a Rulebook on technical and other requirements for integration of biogas into the natural gas grid should be prepared.

The Law on Pipeline Transportation of Gaseous and Liquid Hydrocarbons and Distribution of Gaseous Hydrocarbons (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 104/2009) prescribes conditions for a safe and undisturbed pipeline transportation of gaseous and liquid hydrocarbons, design and construction, maintenance and use of pipelines and internal gas installations. Article 2, paragraph 1, item 9) of this Law defines that the gaseous and liquid hydrocarbons are: natural gas, biogas, gas from gassification plants and their blends.

(a) How is it ensured that the charging of transmission and distribution tariffs does not discriminate against gas from renewable energy sources?

In compliance with the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/12), the transport system operator (Article 95.) and the distribution system operator (Article 101.) operate in compliance with the principles of objectivity, transparency and non-discrimination, respecting conditions from the Law and the regulations adopted on the basis of the Law. Pursuant to the Energy Law, transport and distribution tariffs are defined as per the methodology for setting the cost of access to the natural gas transportation system, methodology for setting the cost of access to the natural gas distribution system, methodology for setting the cost of connection to the transport and distribution system, which are brought by the Energy Agency of the Republic of Serbia Agencija za energetku Republike Srbije.

(b) Has any assessment been carried out on the need to extend the gas network infrastructure to facilitate the integration of gas from renewable sources? What is the result? If not, will there be such an assessment?

In the Republic of Serbia, the gas pipeline network comprises magistral, supply and distribution pipelines and the medium and low pressure gas distribution networks. The high pressure pipeline network, consisting of magistral and distribution pipelines and facilities is owned by the PC Srbijagas and Jugorosgas a.d. (magistral gas pipeline - section Pojate – Niš), and the medium pressure gas networks and local low pressure gas distribution networks are owned by PC Srbijagas, Jugorosgas and the local distributors (36 distributors possess licenses for performing these activities).

Main trends of further development of gas industry are defined in the Energy Sector Development Strategy of the Republic of Serbia, Programme of

Implementation of the Strategy and the Spatial Plan of the Republic of Serbia. On the basis of these documents the increase of existing transport capacities from 6.100 to 6.800 million m³ per year and the gas network expansion projects per regions of the Republic of Serbia were defined.

Transport system operator is responsible for a safe and reliable operation of the transport system, as well as for development providing a long-lasting ability of the transport system to meet the rational transport requirements (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/12, Article 96.). At the same time, transport system operator is obligated to adopt a transport system development plan for a period of minimum ten years and harmonize it with the development plan of the related systems and the requirements for the connection of facilities skladišta, proizvođača i kupaca storing facilities of the producers and purchasers (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/12, Article 97.).

(c) Are technical rules on network connection and connection tariffs for biogas published? Where are these rules published?

Technical and other conditions of the connection to transport or distribution system are determined in compliance with the Energy Law, regulations adopted on the basis of that Law, technical and other regulations and rules of operation of the system to which the facility is connected. Rules of operation of the natural gas transport system, among other things, regulate the range of quality, chemical composition and other properties of the natural gas taken over into the system and delivered by the system.

Technical rules for the connection to the network are defined by the rulebooks. As the regulatory framework related to the natural gas should also be applied on biogas for its integration into the natural gas network, the following legislation can be applied:

- Law on Pipeline Transportation of Gaseous and Liquid Hydrocarbons and Distribution of Gaseous Hydrocarbons („Official Gazette of the RoS“, No. 104/09)
- Decree on Conditions for the Supply of Natural Gas („Official Gazette of the RoS“, No. 47/06)
- Decree on Amendments and Supplements of the Decree on Conditions for the Supply of Natural Gas („Official Gazette of the RoS“, No. 3/10)
- Rulebook on Conditions to be fulfilled by the Energy Entity for Transport and Distribution of Natural Gas regarding Staff (Official Gazette of the RoS“, No. 93/05)
- Rulebook on Criteria for the Classification of Natural Gas Purchasers into Consumer Groups (Official Gazette of the RoS“, No. 104/06).

Besides the said legislation, a discussion is running on the Draft Rulebook on Technical Conditions for Safe Transport of Natural Gas in Pipelines with Pressure Over 16 bar.

The Republic of Serbia, as the Party to the Treaty establishing Energy Community, is obligated, on the basis of the Decision of the Ministerial Council, to apply the List of Generally Applicable Standards. The major number of these standards have already been adopted by the Institute for Standardization as SRPS standards. All by-laws of the Law on pipeline transport, which is in preparation, will refer to the adopted standards, and certain recommendations from the DVGW working papers will be included in the legislation (papers of the German Association for Gas and Water - DVGW).

For the time being, there are no specific tariffs for the connection of biogas to the gas network

4.2.9. District heating and cooling infrastructure development (Article 16(11) of Directive 2009/28/EC)

(a) Please provide an assessment of the need for new district heating and cooling infrastructure using renewable energy sources and contributing to the 2020 target. Based on this assessment, are there plans to promote such infrastructures in the future? What are the expected contributions of large biomass, solar and geothermal facilities in the district heating and cooling systems?

Engaging in activities of heat production belongs to the activities of public interest i.e. to utility activities (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/12, Article 13.). The right to engage in activities of heat production is acquired in two ways, i.e.:

- directly – by entrusting rights to engage in utility activities or through concession on activities of public interest
- indirectly – by investing into a public (utility) enterprise, or company performing utility activities..

For performing the activity of production of heat, license for this activity should be obtained, issued by the competent body of the local self-government unit.

In order to achieve the goals of Directive 2009/28/EC, related to the production and use of heat in construction, changes are foreseen both in the district heating system (replacement of fossil fuels with biomass in the existing heating plants, as well as the use of geothermal energy), as well as construction of new heating and cooling infrastructure which uses renewable energy sources. In Sremska Mitrovica Thermal Power Plant-Heating Plant starting of an 18MW biomass-based (sunflower husa) hot water boiler is expected and the heat will be supplied into the district heating system.

4.2.10. Biofuels and other bioliquids — sustainability criteria and verification of compliance (Articles 17 to 21 of Directive 2009/28/EC)

The following part of the national action plan should explain Member States' future strategy regarding fulfilment of the sustainability criteria for biofuels and bioliquids and verification of compliance with the scheme.

(a) How will the sustainability criteria for biofuels and bioliquids be implemented at national level? (Is there legislation planned for implementation? What will be the institutional setup?)

In compliance with the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. and 93/2012 i 124/2012), Article 63, the Government defines, upon proposal of the Ministry in charge of Environmental Protection affairs, criteria for sustainable production of biofuel.

Ministry of Energy, Development and Environmental Protection has formed a working group, consisting of representatives of competent ministries, which will, on the basis of experience of European countries and the results and recommendations of the SuDES Project (Sustainable Development in the Energy Sector, Instrument of Pre-accession Assistance Program of the European Union for the Republic of Serbia, implemented during 2011-2012), decide on the system and criteria to be applied for evaluation of sustainability of biofuel and bioliquids. The working group will prepare a corresponding act on methods and conditions of implementation of the requirement of sustainability in the production and use of biofuel which will be harmonized with the requirements of the Directive 2009/28/EC. Within the preparation of the act on sustainability criteria, the manner of implementation of the certification procedure will also be defined.

(b) How will it be ensured that biofuels and bioliquids that are counted towards the national renewable target, towards national renewable energy obligations and/or are eligible for financial support comply with the sustainability criteria set down in Article 17(2) to (5) of Directive 2009/28/EC? (Will there be a national institution/body responsible for monitoring/verifying compliance with the criteria?)

The act on methods and conditions of implementation of the requirement of biofuel and bioliquids sustainability will also prescribe the manner of verifying and monitoring the compliance with sustainability criteria. In view of the fact that no use of biofuel existed in the previous period, nor any obligation of blending biofuel into the fuels for motor vehicles, the obligation of verifying and monitoring the compliance with the sustainability criteria did not exist. Consequently, neither the body in charge of activities in this field was nominated.

(c) If a national authority/body will monitor the fulfilment of the criteria, does such a national authority/body already exist? If so, please specify. If not, when is it envisaged to be established?

In the act on methods and conditions of implementation of the requirement of biofuel and bioliquids sustainability a financial operator and the authorized body will be appointed. Financial operator will be obligated to enforce the mass balance system i.e.:

1. to enable blending of raw materials or of biofuel with various sustainability characteristics;
2. to request information on sustainability characteristics and size of consignments referred to in the item 1, and allocated to the blend; and
3. to ensure that the total quantity of individual raw materials drawn from the blend has the same sustainability characteristics, in the same quantities, as the total quantity of all raw materials added into the blend.

Authorized body for implementation of monitoring of the quality of biofuel and bioliquids and fulfilment of sustainability criteria will carry out the following activities:

1. undertake measures to ensure that the competent financial operator delivers reliable information, always available upon request, and data used for development of information,
2. perform monitoring of the quality of fuels and reduction of GHG emissions and requests from the relevant financial operator to provide adequate standard independent verifications of submitted information and demonstrate that everything was carried out in line with the regulations
3. verify that the systems used by the competent financial operator are accurate, reliable and protected from misuse. At the same time, evaluate frequency and methodology of taking samples and reliability of data.

Duties and obligations of the financial operator and the authorized body will be defined in the act on their establishment. The authorized body will be bound to cooperate with the ministry in charge of energy and environment-related affairs,, as well as the ministry in charge of finance and economy. The authorized body prepares for the ministry in charge of environment a report on the implementation of monitoring and fulfilment of sustainability criteria for biofuel and bioliquids and proposes other methods of verification. On the basis of the report, the ministry in charge of environment-related affairs reports to the European Commission on the implementation of activities and application of biofuel and bioliquids in compliance with the defined sustainability criteria.

(d) Please provide information on the existence of national law on land zoning and national land register for verifying compliance with Article 17(3) to (5) of Directive 2009/28/EC. How economic operators can access to this information? (Please provide information on the existence of rules and distinction between different land statuses, like biodiversity area, protected

area etc; and on the competent national authority who will monitor this land register and changes in land status.)

The project Elaboration of the Land Cadastre is currently in course in the Ministry of Agriculture. The Land Cadastre will contain the following information:

- quality of soil (soil classification)
- ownership data
- land status
- cultures grown on the land
- photographs of the land.

Elaboration of the land cadastre should be completed in 2014 and will be used as the basis for determination of sustainability criteria of biofuel and bioliquids.

In the recent period, the Republic Geodetic Authority (www.rgz.gov.rs) prepared the database of the Real Estate Cadastre of the Republic of Serbia which was formed by transferring data maintained in the real estate services. The database can be browsed using the cadastre lot number within the municipality and the cadastre municipality or the address of the property (street and house number within the municipality). The Real Estate Cadastre contains data on the land (title of the cadastre municipality, number, shape, area, land status, bonitet, cadaster class and cadastral income of the lot), buildings, apartments and business premises, as separate parts of buildings (position, shape, area, land status, number of floors, number of rooms) and other construction facilities, as well as data on the rights over them and the bearers of these rights, charges and limitations.

Linking data from the Real Estate Cadastre and the Land Cadastre will enable fulfillment of requirements from the Article 17 (3) to (5) of the Directive 2009/28/EC.

(e) As far as protected areas are concerned, please provide information under which national, European or international protection regime they are classified.

The field of protection of nature is legally regulated by the Law on Environmental Protection ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia" No. 36/09 i 88/2010) and other laws and by-laws which directly or indirectly refer to nature and natural assets.

On the basis of applied measures of institutional protection of nature, the area of protected regions in Serbia currently amounts to 522120 ha, or 5,91 % of the territory of Serbia. The Spatial Plan of the Republic of Serbia („Official Gazette of the RoS”, broj 88/10) envisages that about 10% of the territory of Serbia gets protected until 2015, and that until 2021 about 12% of the territory of Serbia is covered by some kind of protection. All data on protected areas are available at: <http://www.natureprotection.org.rs>. The protection covers 463 natural assets: 5 national parks (158.986 ha), 16 parks of nature (213.302 ha), 16 landscapes of

exceptional features (45.656 ha), 67 nature reserves (92.972 ha), 42 protected areas of cultural - historical value (2.507 ha) and 317 monuments of nature (7.681 ha).

(f) What is the procedure for changing the status of land? Who monitors and reports at national level on land status changes? How often are the land zoning register updated (monthly, annually, bi-annually, etc.)?

The use of land is defined by planning documents. Planning documents are the Spatial Plan of the Republic of Serbia, Regional Spatial Plan of the Autonomous Province of Vojvodina, the spatial plan of the local self-government unit and the spatial plan of the special purpose areas.

The spatial plan of the local self-government unit is brought for the territory of the local self-government unit and it sets guidelines for development activities and the use of areas, as well as conditions for sustainable and even development in the territory of the local self-government unit (Law on Planning and Construction, (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009, 81/2009,-correction, 64/2010 – decision US, 24/2011, Article 19). The spatial plan of the local self-government unit is brought by the assembly of the local self-government unit.

Spatial plan of a special purpose area is brought separately (Article 21.). The spatial plan of a special purpose area is brought for the area which, due to natural, cultural-historical or ambient values, exploitation of mineral raw materials, use of tourism potential and the use of hydropotential or construction of facilities for which the construction permit is issued by the ministry in charge of construction affairs or the relevant competent body of the autonomous province, requires a special mode of organisation, arrangement, use and protection of space and which is, as such, defined by the Spatial Plan of the Republic of Serbia. The spatial plan of a special purpose area is brought by the Government, upon proposal of the ministry in charge of spatial planning, and for the areas which are fully situated on the territory of the autonomous province by the Parliament of the autonomous province.

As agricultural land are considered fields, gardens, orchards, vineyards, meadows, pastures, fish ponds, reeds and swamps, as well as other land (dolines/sinkholes, abandoned river beds, soil covered with low bushes etc.), which can be rationally used, in line with its natural and economical condition, for agricultural production (Law on Agriculture, Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 41/2009, Article 2.). Ministry in charge of agriculture keeps records on the use of agricultural land (Article 32.). For the change of land use approval of the ministry in charge of agriculture should be obtained.

Manner of recording the change of the land use will be defined upon completion of the cadastre of land (see item d) and each change will have to be recorded in the cadastre of land.

(g) How is compliance with good agro-environmental practices and other cross-compliance requirements (required by Article 17(6) of Directive 2009/28/EC) ensured and verified at national level?

Ministry of agriculture, forestry and water management carries out the activities related to establishing of an efficient system of protection, arrangement and use of agricultural land. Program of Protection, Arrangement and Use of Agricultural Land refers to the protection, arrangement and use of agricultural land; analysis of the condition of protection, arrangement and use of agricultural land; preparation of documentation for publishing a tender for granting funds for protection, arrangement and use of agricultural land, evaluation of projects-programs, preparation of decision and the contract on the use of funds for protection, arrangement and use of agricultural land; preparation of decisions on payment of funds and monitoring of the implementation of these projects-programs; coordination of elaboration and operation of the geographical information system on the agricultural land. Within its activities, DREPR Project (Serbia Danube River Enterprise Pollution Reduction Project) has been implemented since 2006, with an aim to introduce good practice and protection of environment, and particularly reduction of pollution of water flows of Danube and its tributaries by nutrients.

(h) Do you intend to help develop voluntary ‘certification’ scheme(s) for biofuel and bioliquid sustainability as described in the second subparagraph of Article 18(4) of Directive 2009/28/EC? If so, how?

Currently there are no plans for the introduction of voluntary certification scheme.

4.3. Support schemes to promote the use of energy from renewable resources in electricity applied by the Member State or a group of Member States
Support schemes can be regulatory, providing for targets and/or obligations. They may provide financial support either for investment or during the operation of a plant. There are also soft measures like information, education, or awareness-raising campaigns. As soft measures are described above, this assessment should focus on regulatory and financial measures.

Please describe existing schemes with legal reference, details of the scheme, duration (indicating start and end dates), past impact and explain whether any reform or future schemes are planned and by when. What are the expected results?

Regulation

Regulation can set target(s) and obligations. In case there is such an obligation please detail it:

(a) What is the legal basis for this obligation/target?

In compliance with the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 84/04, Article 6.) and the Law on Government (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 55/05, 71/05-correction, 101/07 i 65/08, Article 42.) the Decree on amendments and Supplements to the Decree on Program for the Realization of the Energy Sector Development Strategy of the Republic of Serbia until 2015 for the period 2007-2012 was brought and it referred to RES. That Decree states the target of the Republic of Serbia to increase, by end 2012, the share of electricity produced from renewable energy sources for 2,2%, with respect to the total national consumption of electricity in 2007.

In compliance with the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/2012 Article 4), Energy Sector Development Strategy was defined, as the act setting the energy policy and planning the development in the energy sector. Among other things, the Strategy defines:

- long-term development goals for the production facilities which are in the line of security of supply, respecting technological, economic and environmental protection criteria
- trends of development of the electricity market
- trends of the use of energy from renewable and new energy sources and improvement of energy efficiency.

This act is brought for a period of minimum 15 years. On the basis of the Strategy, the Program for the Realization of the Energy Sector Development Strategy is defined and it sets the conditions, manner, schedule and measures for its realization (Article 5.). The Program for the Realization of the Energy Sector Development Strategy is brought for the period of 6 years, based on the proposal of the ministry in charge of energy-related affairs.

In view of the fact that the elaboration of the Energy Sector Development Strategy of the Republic of Serbia until 2025, with projections until 2030 is in course, it is expected that after the adoption of the Strategy the program of its implementation will be adopted and that in these documents new commitments in the electricity sector will be set.

(b) Are there any technology-specific targets?

In this stage, when the new Energy Sector Development Strategy is being prepared, there are no goals related to specific technologies for electricity generation.

(c) What are the concrete obligations/targets per year (per technology)?

There are no goals defined at the annual level.

(d) Who has to fulfil the obligation?

There are no entities having an obligation to fulfill goals adopted so far.

(e) What is the consequence of non-fulfilment?

There are no measures against non-fulfillment.

(f) Is there any mechanism to supervise fulfilment?

In compliance with the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 and 124/12, Article 5.) the Ministry monitors the implementation of the Program and reports (Article 7.). The Government submits to the National Parliament annual report on the implementation of the Strategy and the Program of implementation of the Strategy which includes results achieved in the last year with respect to goals and the evaluation of effects of achieved results and their impact on the programme in the next year.

(g) Is there any mechanism to modify obligations/targets?

The Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 i 124/12, Article 7.) has defined the reporting system. The Government submits to the National Parliament the annual report on the implementation of the Strategy and the Program of implementation of the Strategy which also includes the proposal of measures for a more efficient implementation and evaluation of the necessity to adapt the Program / Strategy to the realistic needs.

Financial support

Financial support can be classified in various ways. Examples are financial support for investment, capital grants, low interest loans, tax exemptions or reductions, tax refunds, tender schemes, renewable energy obligations with or without green certificates (tradable green certificates), feed-in tariffs, feed-in premiums, voluntary schemes.

For any scheme you use, please give a detailed description answering the following questions?

(a) What is the name and a short description of the scheme?

Financial support is prescribed by the decree on incentive measures for electricity generation (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 08/2013). This Decree prescribes in more detail categories of privileged producers, incentives for electricity generation conditions for their achievement, manner of defining the incentive period, rights and obligations arising from these incentives for the

privileged producers and other energy entities and regulates the contents of contracts and preliminary contracts on the purchase of electricity from the privileged producer.

(b) Is it a voluntary or obligatory scheme?

It is a voluntary scheme.

(c) Who manages the scheme? (Implementing body, monitoring authority)

Ministry in charge of energy-related affairs (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 and 124/12, Article 61.) keeps the register of privileged producers (which also contains data on producers having the temporary privileged producer status and on privileged producers whose status was discontinued).

(d) What are the measures taken to ensure availability of necessary budget/funding to achieve the national target?

Incentive funding is provided by end buyers, through a special incentive fee charged along with the invoice for accessing the transmission, or distribution system and is shown separately (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 and 124/12, article 59 and Decree on the method of calculation and allocation of funds collected for purpose of incentive remunerations for privileged power producers Official Gazette of the RoS No 08/2013).

(e) How is long-term security and reliability addressed by the scheme?

Rights and obligations of the buyer and the privileged producer are regulated by contract made in writing, for a period of 12 years, in compliance with the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 and 124/12, Article 59.), the law regulating obligations, General conditions for the supply of electricity, Rules of operation of the distribution, or of the transmission system, regulations specifying conditions for obtaining the privileged producer status and criteria for verification of compliance with these conditions and the Decree on incentive measures for electricity generation (Official Gazette of the RoS 08/2013).

(f) Is the scheme periodically revised? What kind of feed-back or adjustment mechanism exists? How has the scheme been optimised so far?

The scheme is periodically revised. The Decree on incentive measures for electricity generation using renewable energy sources and combined heat and power production (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 99/2009) was applied from 1

January 2010 to February 2013. The Decree on Incentives for Privileged Power Producers (Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 08/2013) was adopted in January 2013 and applied from 01 February 2013 with the validity until 31 December 2015.

(g) Does support differ according to technology?

Pursuant to the decree on incentive measures for povlašćene electricity generation (Official Gazette of the RoS No.) there is no difference in support depending on the type of technology. The only differences concern the type and installed capacity of the power plant.

(h) What are the expected impacts in terms of energy production?

Expected impact is an increased interest in investments into construction of plants using RES for electricity generation and larger share of RES in electricity generation in the future period.

(i) Is support conditional on meeting energy efficiency criteria?

The support is not conditional on meeting energy efficiency criteria. Depending on the type of the power plant value of the minimal total annual efficiency level were defined (Decree on Conditions and Procedure for Acquiring the Status of Privileged Power Producer, Off. Gazette of the RoS, No. 08/2013).

(j) Is it an existing measure? Could you please indicate national legislation regulating it?

Yes, it is an existing measure and it is in compliance with the Energy Law (Off. Gazette of the RoS, No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 and 124/12), and its implementation is defined by the Decree on Conditions and Procedure for Acquiring the Status of Privileged Power Producer and by the Decree on Incentives for privileged power producers (Off. Gazette of the RoS, No. 08/2013).

(k) Is this a planned scheme? When would it be operational?

This is a planned scheme and it is already operational.

(l) What start and end dates (duration) are set for the whole scheme?

Decree on Incentives for privileged power producers (Off. Gazette of the RoS, No. 08/2013) has been in force since 01 February 2013 with the validity until 31 December 2015.

(m) Are there maximum or minimum sizes of system which are eligible?

Maximum capacity for the hydro-power plants was defined and it amounts to 30 MW, i.e. up to 10MW of installed capacity in the individual production facility they simultaneously produce electricity and heat with a high efficiency of utilization of primary energy (The Energy Law, Off.Gazette of the RoS, No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 and 124/12, Article 56.).

(n) Is it possible for the same project to be supported by more than one support measure? Which measures can be cumulated?

The existing support scheme does not forbid obtaining several kinds of support for the same project

(o) Are there regional/local schemes? If so, please detail using the same criteria.

There are no special regional/local schemes

Specific questions for financial support for investment:

(a) What is granted by the scheme? (subsidies, capital grants, low interest loans, tax exemption or reduction, tax refunds)

Besides the above mentioned Decree, measures of financial support also comprise the following programmes and opportunities:

- international source of financing
 - Kyoto Protocol – entered into force for the Republic of Serbia on 17 January 2008 the Republic of Serbia belongs to non-Annex I countries, so that, in line with the national interests and on a voluntary basis, the Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) became available.
 - European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) – for West Balkans countries two credit lines are available for the projects on improving the energy efficiency and the use of RES: WeBSECLF (credit line available through loans of local banks as an assistance to companies for investments into EE and RES projects) and WeBSEDF (credit line for financing larger većih projects, of 1 to 6 M€ directly by EBRD),
 - German Development Bank (KfW) - loan for biomass granted to the Republic of Serbia, for projects in the field of RES, primarily biomass, as well as grants for reduction of GHG emission
 - Fund Green for Growth – provides funds for financing small and medium enterprises for energy efficiency and RES projects,
 - International Financial Corporation /IFC – credit line intended for RES-based projects (biomass, solar energy etc.),

- Italian Credit Facility – intended for small and medium enterprises, for the procurement of equipment, technologies and spare parts,
- European Investment Bank - financing projects of small and medium enterprises (up to 100% of the project value) and infrastructure projects launched by local authorities in the field of energy and environmental protection,
- local sources of financing
 - Fund for Development of the Republic of Serbia (Official Gazette of the RoS 88/2010) – among goals of the Fund is stimulation of energy efficiency,
 - Fund for development of the Autonomous Province of Vojvodina – goal of the Fund is to provide incentives for industrial activities, increase employment, increase capacities at the technical level, improve the rate of use of existing capacities, provide incentives for export and import of substitutions, save energy and provide protection of environment.,
 - Provincial Secretariat for Energy and Mineral Raw Materials – financing projekta of projects of local self-governments, public utility companies and public companies pursuant to published tenders,
- International organizations
 - Delegation of the European Union in Belgrade
 - United Nations Development Program (UNDP)
 - US Agency for International Development (USAID)
 - International Multi-City Fund
 - Swiss Cooperation Office
 - German Organisation for International Cooperation (GIZ)
 - Framework Programme for Competitiveness and Innovation (CIP).

(b) Who can benefit from this scheme? Is it specified for certain technology(/ies)?

The greatest benefit from this scheme (Decree on Feed-in tariff and the programmes cited in the item (a)) can belong to domestic and foreign legal persons who build RES-based power plants and supply the electric power grid.

(c) Are applications continuously received and granted or are there periodical calls? If periodical, could you please describe the frequency and conditions?

Requests pursuant to the Decree (Decree on Feed-in Tariff) are received continuously, while for all other indicated support schemes specified in the item (a) there are invitations which are not periodical, but are published in compliance with a decision to support a specific program.

Specific questions for tradable certificates:

(a) Is there an obliged share of electricity produced from renewable sources in the total supply?

There is no act in the legislation which prescribes an obligation regarding the share of electricity from RES in the total supply to be achieved by the electricity producer, trader or consumer.

(b) Who has the obligation?

Nobody.

(c) Are there technology-specific bands?

There are no technology-specific bands.

(d) Which technologies are covered by the scheme?

No technologies covered by the scheme have been prescribed.

(e) Is international trade in certificates allowed? What are the conditions?

The guarantee of origin is issued by the transmission system operator upon request of the RES-based electricity producer and the producer of electricity using combined heat and power production with high degree of use of primary energy, on the basis of data provided by the operator to whose system the facility of the producer is connected, public supplier and the statement of the applicant on the use of support (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr. 93/2012 and 124/12, Article 53.). The guarantee of origin issued in other states is valid provided that a reciprocity exists in the Republic of Serbia and in compliance with the verified international contract (Article 55.).

(f) Is there a floor bottom price?

There is no floor bottom price.

(g) Is there a penalty for non-fulfilment?

There is no penalty for non-fulfilment.

(h) What is the average price for certificates? Is it made public? Where?

Average price for certificates has not been defined.

(i) What is the trading scheme for certificates?

Trading scheme for certificates has not been defined.

(j) How long can a plant participate in the scheme?

Time of plant participation in the scheme has not been defined.

Specific questions for feed-in fixed tariffs:

(a) What are the conditions to get the fixed tariff?

Right to use fixed tariff (feed-in tariff) belongs to the privileged electricity producer who concluded with the public supplier the contract on the purchase of the total amount of electricity produced during the incentive period (Decree on Incentives for privileged power producers, Off.Gazette of the RoS, No. 08/2013, Article 4.).

(b) Is there a cap on the total volume of electricity produced per year or of installed capacity that is entitled to the tariff?

Decree on Conditions and Procedure for Acquiring the Status of Privileged Power Producer (Off.Gazette of the RoS, No. 08/2013) defines the maximum total capacity of the power plants, i.e:

- maximal total installed capacity of a wind power plant which is eligible for a temporary privileged producer status is limited to 500 MW, and for the privileged producer status it is limited to 300 MW till the end of 2015, and to 500 MW till the end of 2020 (Article 5.),
- maximal total installed capacity of a solar power plant which is eligible for the privileged producer status, or temporary privileged producer status, is limited to 10 MW, where 2 MW are the limit for roof-mounted power plants using solar radiation energy of individual capacity up to 30 kW, 2 MW for roof-mounted power plants using solar radiation energy in the facilities of individual capacity from 30 kW to 500 kW and 6 MW in the ground-mounted power plants using solar radiation energy. Because of dynamic change of investment costs of solar power, maximal total installed capacity of solar power plants is determined once a year (Article 6.).

(c) Is it a technology specific scheme? What are the tariff levels for each?

The existing scheme is not technology specific.

(d) Are there other criteria differentiating tariffs?

Tariffs differ depending on the type and capacity of a power plant for which the power producer acquired the privileged producer status. Type of the power plant and its installed capacity are determined by the document on acquiring the privileged electricity producer status (Decree on Incentives for privileged power producers, Off.Gazette of the RoS, No. 08/2013, član 13.). Types of power plants are defined in more details in the Decree on Conditions and Procedure for Acquiring the Privileged Power Producer Status (Off.Gazette of the RoS, No. 08/2013, Article 2.).

Feed-in tariffs amount to (Decree on Incentives for privileged power producers, Off.Gazette of the RoS, No. 08/2013, član 13.):

Item No.	Type of power plant	Installed power P (MW)	Feed-in tariff (c€/kWh)
1.	Hydro power plant		
1.1		up to 0.2	12.40
1.2		0.2 – 0.5	13.727-6.633* P
1.3		0.5 - 1	10.41
1.4		1 - 10	10.747-0.337* P
1.5		10 - 30	7.38
1.6	Using existing infrastructure	up to 30	5.9
2.	Biomass power plant		
2.1		up to 1	13.26
2.2		1 - 10	13.82 – 0.56*P
2.3		over 10	8.22
3.	Biogas power plant		
3.1		up to 0.2	15.66
3.2		0.2 - 1	16.498 – 4.188*P
3.3		over 1	12.31
3.4	Plant fired by biogas from animal origin waste		12.31
4.	Landfill and sewage gas power plant		6.91
5.	Wind power plants		9.20
6.	Solar power plant		
6.1	roof-mounted	up to 0.03	20.66
6.2	roof-mounted	0.03 – 0.5	20.941 – 9.383*P
6.3	ground-mounted		16.25
7.	Geothermal power plants		
7.1		up to 1	9.67
7.2		1 – 5	10.358-0.688*P
7.3		over 5	6.92

8.	Waste fuelled power plant		8.57
9.	Coal fired CHP power plant	up to 10	8.04
10.	Gas fired CHP power plant	up to 10	8,89

(e) For how long is the fixed tariff guaranteed?

Incentive period lasts for 12 years for all power plants of privileged producers which were commissioned 12 months before signing of the contract with the public supplier on the purchase of the total amount of produced electricity, or it lasts 12 years minus difference between the year of signing the contract and the year of commissioning for all other privileged producer plants, Off.Gazette of the RoS, No. 08/2013, član 3.).

Feed-in tariffs from the table are determined every three years and can be reconsidered on a yearly level. Due to a dynamic change of investment costs into solar power plants, feed-in tariffs for privileged producers from this type of power plants are set once a year. (Decree on Incentives for Privileged Power Producers, Official Gazette of RS, No. 08/2013, Article 18.).

(f) Is there any tariff adjustment foreseen in the scheme?

Regular annual correction of feed-in tariffs due to inflation in the euro zone will be done in February each year starting from 2014. Annual inflation in the euro-zone determines, upon request of the public supplier, Ministry in charge of finances. Corrected feed-in tariffs are applied from 1 March each year, on all future contracts between the privileged producer and the public supplier, as well as on the remaining part of the incentive period in all contracts on the purchase of the total amounts of produced electricity signed before the correction and after entry of the Decree into force (Decree on Incentives for privileged power producers, Off.Gazette of the RoS, No. 08/2013, Article 14.).

Specific questions for feed-in premiums:

(a) What are the conditions to get the premium?

Feed-in premiums are not defined in the existing legislation. Conditions for obtaining premiums have not been set.

(b) Is there a cap on the total volume of electricity produced per year or of installed capacity that is entitled to the premium?

There are no caps on the total volume of energy or installed capacity.

(c) Is it an alternative to fixed tariff?

No, it is not.

(d) Is it a technology-specific scheme? What are the premium levels for each?

As the scheme is not defined, there is no reference to different technologies.

(e) Is there a floor and/or a cap for the premium? Please specify.

No, there is no floor or cap for the premium.

(f) For how long is the premium price guaranteed?

No period has been defined for the guaranteed premiums..

(g) Is any tariff adjustment foreseen in the scheme?

There are no plans regarding the introduction/change of tariffs in the scheme.

Specific questions for tendering:

(a) What is the frequency and size of the tenders?

Support scheme has not been organized via tenders.

(b) Which technologies are specified?

There are no specifically defined technologies.

(c) Is it integrated with grid development?

It is not integrated with grid development.

4.4. Support schemes to promote the use of energy from renewable resources in heating and cooling applied by the Member State or a group of Member States

Please follow the structure of point 4.3 and apply the questions to the support measures provided for renewable energy use in the heating and cooling sector. Please address the following additional points:

(a) How are the support schemes for electricity from renewable energy sources adapted to encourage the use of CHP from renewable energy sources?

There are no particularly adapted support schemes for the electricity obtained from RES which are adapted to encourage the use of CHP.

(b) What support schemes are in place to encourage the use of district heating and cooling using renewable energy sources?

Support measures for the use of district heating and cooling based on RES are prescribed by the act of the competent authority of the local self-government unit (The Energy Law, Off.Gazette of the RoS, No. 57/2011, 80/2011 – ispr., 93/2012 i 124/12, Article 62.).

(c) What support schemes are in place to encourage the use of small-scale heating and cooling from renewable energy sources?

Measures of financial support also comprise the following programmes and opportunities:

- international sources of financing
 - Fund Green for Growth – provides funds for financing households for the energy efficiency improvement and RES-based projects,
 - international financial corporation IFC – credit line intended for RES-based projects (biomass, solar energy etc.),
- local sources of financing
 - Fund for Development of the Republic of Serbia (Official Gazette of the RoS 88/2010) – among goals of the Fund is stimulation of energy efficiency,
 - Fund for Development of the Autonomous Province of Vojvodina – goal of the Fund is to provide incentives for industrial activities, increase employment, increase capacities at the technical level, improve the rate of use of existing capacities, provide incentives for export and import of substitutions, save energy and provide protection of environment

- Provincial Secretariat for energy and mineral raw materials – financing of projects of local self-government, public utility companies and public companies pursuant to published tenders.

(d) What support schemes are in place to encourage the use of heating and cooling from renewable energy sources in industrial applications?

Financial support measures also comprise the following programs and possibilities:

- international sources of financing
 - German Development Bank (KfW) - loan for biomass granted to the Republic of Serbia, for projects in the field of RES, primarily biomass, as well as grants for reduction of GHG emission,
 - Fund Green for Growth – provides funds for financing small and medium enterprises for energy efficiency and RES projects,
 - International Financial Corporation /IFC – credit line intended for RES-based projects (biomass, solar energy etc.),
 - Italian Credit Facility – intended for small and medium enterprises, for the procurement of equipment, technologies and spare parts,
 - European Investment Bank - financing projects of small and medium enterprises (up to 100% of the project value) and infrastructure projects launched by local authorities in the field of energy and environmental protection,
- local sources of financing
 - Fund for Development of the Republic of Serbia (Official Gazette of the RoS 88/2010) – enhancing of energy efficiency is among the goals of the Fund,
 - Fund for Development of Autonomous Province of Vojvodina – goal of the Fund is to provide incentives for industrial activities, increase employment, increase capacities at the technical level, improve the rate of use of existing capacities, provide incentives for export and import of substitutions, save energy and provide protection of environment,
 - Provincial Secretariat for Energy and Mineral Raw Materials – financing projects of local self-governments, public utility companies and public companies, pursuant to published tenders.

4.5. Support schemes to promote the use of energy from renewable resources in transport applied by the Member State or a group of Member States

Please follow the structure of point 4.3 and apply the questions the support measures provided for renewable energy use in the transport sector. Please make distinctions according to transport modes (such as road transport, non-road land transport).

Please address the following additional points:

(a) What are the concrete obligations/targets per year (per fuel or technology)?

In the Decree on Amendments of the Decree on Setting the Implementation Programme of the Energy Sector Development Strategy of the Republic of Serbia until 2015 for the period od 2007. until 2012 (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 72/2009) target and schedule of share of biofuel in the transport were defined i.e.:

- 2010 – 0,76 % (calculated with respect to energy content)
- 2011 – 1,52 % (calculated with respect to energy content)
- 2012 – 2,28 % (calculated with respect to energy content).

Bearing in mind that so far biofuels were not used in the transport sector in the Republic of Serbia (except very small quantities distributed at just a few stations for fuel supply to motor vehicles and those used by the bio-diesel producers for their own use) and that the target set by the decree was not achieved, new targets should be defined for the period until 2020.

(b) Is there differentiation of the support according to fuel types or technologies? Is there any specific support to biofuels which meet the criteria of Article 21(2) of the Directive?

In compliance with the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, Article 63.), it was defined that the Government should prescribe in more details the mandatory share of biofuel in the transport sector and measures for its achievement. In the forthcoming period, the Ministry in charge of energy-related affairs should prepare an act (legislation) on the mandatory share of biofuel in the transport sector, which should contain the following:

- definitions of biofuel
- minimum share of biofuel placed by distributors at the domestic market (per years and per type of fuel – motor /etanol, diesel fuel/biodiesel)
- the rules for calculation and verification of compliance with set goals
- manner of reporting on the share of biofuel in the transport sector
- measures for stimulating production and use of biofuel in the transport sector
- competences, supervision and penal provisions.

Bearing in mind the possibility of production of biofuel, verification of quality, the possibility of its blending with fuels of oil origin, in the period until 2014 when, pursuant to this Action Plan introduction of biofuel is envisaged, a series of activities need to be executed. Besides the appropriate legislation prescribing the mandatory share of biofuel, new Rulebook on technical and other requirements for liquid biofuels should be adopted, replacing the actual Rulebook (Official Gazette of Serbia and Montenegro No. 23/2006), in order to harmonize the types and quality of biofuel and bioliquids (including the quality of ethanol and HVO – hydrogenated vegetable oils) with the regulations in force in the European Union and corresponding (SRPS) EN standards.

Also, the possibility of converting the urban and suburban public transport, as well as the agricultural sector to the exclusive use of RES, primarily biofuel, will be considered, which is a significantly simpler way to achieve the share of renewable energy sources in GFEC in transport. The support to a wider use of public transport will be reflected in the enhancement of the public transport quality, co-financing of the public transport from the price of non-renewable energy sources, implementation of positive promotional campaigns etc.

4.6. Specific measures for the promotion of the use of energy from biomass

Biomass has an important role as primary energy in all the three sectors: heating and cooling, electricity and transport.

National biomass strategy is crucial to plan the role and the interaction of uses between the energy end uses and interaction with other non-energy sectors. Therefore Member States are required to assess their domestic potential and increased mobilization of domestic and imported biomass resources. The impact on and the interaction with other non-energy sectors (as the food and feed industry, pulp and paper industry, construction industry, furniture industry etc.) should be analyzed.

4.6.1. Biomass supply: both domestic and trade

Under this point Member States should assess the supply of domestically available biomass and the need for imports.

There should be a distinction between biomass (A) from forestry — (1) direct and (2) indirect supply; (B) from agriculture and fisheries — (1) directly provided and (2) by-products/processed crops; and (C) from waste — (1) biodegradable fraction of municipal solid waste, (2) biodegradable fraction of industrial solid waste and (3) sewage sludge. Data is required for the above-mentioned first subcategories, while more detailed information is optional. However the aggregated figures shall reflect the following categorisation and give information in the units of Table 7. The role of

imports (EU and non-EU) and exports (if possible, EU and non-EU) must be reflected.

Please note that wood chips, briquettes and pellets can be either from direct supply or from indirect supply from forestry. If information on pellets is included in the table, it should specify whether the raw material comes from direct or indirect supply.

In the case of biogas and biofuels the amount of raw feedstock should be detailed in Table 7, not the amount of processed feedstock. It is understood that for imports and exports the amount of biomass feedstocks for biofuels is more difficult to ascertain, and estimations may be necessary. Alternatively, if the information on imports is given on the basis of biofuel imports, it must be specified in the table.

Table 7: Biomass supply in 2009 year (more recent available data)

Sector of origin		Amount of domestic resource ₃	Imported		Exported	Net amount	Primary energy production (ktoe)
			EU	Non-EU	EU/non-EU		
A)	<i>Of which:</i>						1.059 ¹⁶
Biomass from forestry ¹⁵ :	1. direct supply of wood biomass from forests and other wooded land for energy generation						
	<i>can further detail the amount of feedstock belonging to this category:</i> a) fellingd						

¹⁵Biomass from forestry should also encompass biomass from forestry-based industries. Under the category biomass from forestry, produced solid fuels, like felling, pellets and briquettes should be included in the respective sub-categories of origin.

¹⁶ The data refer to the consumption of biomass for energy purposes in 2009. According to the opinion received from the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Resource Management, the quantities of available forest biomass have still not been precisely defined, as there are a lot of factors necessary for proper planning but still not sufficiently known. Among other things, not even the real consumption of wood for energy is sufficiently known. It was estimated in various studies, but it is very variable, because the population, due to economic crisis turns to wood as accessible fuel. Reliable data exist for the growth of forests where the total volume of possible fellings is limited. If the production potential of the forests is considered and the current consumption of wood (which mainly refers to the heating wood and the wood for primary processing), as well as the possibilities for new afforestation and growing special crops for the production of biomass, then the potential quantity of wood that can be used as biomass can be defined. However, it is difficult to define the real size of production potentials for the forest biomass, although there are significant potentials for future production.

	<p>b) residues from fellings (tops, branches, bark, stumps))</p> <p>c) landscape management residues (woody biomass from parks, gardens, tree rows, bushes)</p> <p>d) other (please define)</p>						
	2. indirect supply of wood biomass for energy generation						
	<p><i>Optional — if information is available you can further detail:</i></p> <p>a) residues from sawmilling, woodworking, furniture industry (bark, sawdust)</p> <p>b) by products of the pulp and paper industry (black liquor, tall oil)</p> <p>c) processed wood-fuel</p> <p>d) post consumer recycled wood (recycled wood for energy generation, household waste wood)</p> <p>e) other (please define)</p>						
B)	<i>Of which:</i>						
Biomass from agriculture and fisheries:	1. agricultural crops and fishery products directly provided for energy generation						
	<p><i>Optional — if information is available you can further detail:</i></p> <p>a) arable crops</p>						

	<p>(cereals, oilseeds, sugar beet, silage maize)</p> <p>b) plantations</p> <p>c short rotation trees</p> <p>d) other energy crops (grasses)</p> <p>e) algae</p> <p>f) other (please define)</p>						
	<p>2. Agricultural by-products/processed residues and fishery by-products for energy generation</p>						
	<p><i>Optional — if information is available you can further detail :</i></p> <p>a) straw</p> <p>b) manure</p> <p>c) animal fat</p> <p>d) meat and bone meal</p> <p>e cake by-products (incl. oil seed and olive oil cake for energy)</p> <p>f) fruit biomass (including shell, kernel)</p> <p>g) fishery by product</p> <p>h) clippings from vines, olives, fruit trees</p> <p>i) other (please define)</p>						
C)	<i>Of which:</i>						
Biomass from waste:	<p>1. Biodegradable fraction of municipal solid waste including biowaste (biodegradable garden and park waste, food and kitchen waste from households, restaurants, caterers and retail</p>						

premises, and comparable waste from food processing plants) and landfill gas						
2. Biodegradable fraction of industrial waste (including paper, cardboard, pallets)						
3. Sewage sludge						

Please explain the conversion factor/calculation methodology used above for the conversion of the amount of available resources to primary energy.

One of the most important elements of the used methodological concept is the field survey carried out by means of questionnaires in households, industrial companies for wood processing, production of lime, production of fuel from wood biomass. Besides, field survey was also carried out in numerous commercial facilities (restaurants, bakeries, grills, car mechanic shops, tourist facilities) and public buildings (schools, health centres, out-patient units and the buildings of the Serbian Orthodox Church).

For determination of heating wood consumption in households, the sample was defined as 5% of the number of households using solid fuels for heating in Serbia, which amounts to 36.946 households, of which 20.725 or 56,1% in urban areas and 16.221 or 43,9% in rural areas. The size of the selected sample was sufficiently representative for studying the current situation regarding the consumption of solid fuels and determination of quantities required for heating of households in Serbia. With respect to the total number of households in Serbia, which amounts to 2.521.190 pursuant to the last census, the number of households in the sample selected for filling the questionnaire amounted to 1,46%.

In this way, the research included all the most important groups of wood biomass consumers in all regions in Serbia, all aimed at obtaining the total consumption and the share of individual consumer categories.

For the conversion of used biomass into tons of oil equivalent (toe) the following assumptions were introduced:

- consumption of biomass was determined for each of the said categories, and then the determination of biomass consumption as per the types of biomass used was carried out,
- humidity content of the heating wood is 35%.

Please specify on what basis the biodegradable fraction of municipal solid waste and of industrial waste was calculated.

Municipal waste in the Republic of Serbia is defined according to the EU Catalogue of Waste – denomination 20 – Municipal wastes (household waste and

similar commercial and industrial wastes), including separately collected fractions. Quantities of municipal waste at the annual level are calculated on the basis of measurement of waste in the reference units of the local self-government. On the basis of results of these measurements it may be adopted that the urban population generates in average 1 kg of municipal waste per capita per day, while rural population generates an average of 0,7 kg waste/capita/day. In Belgrade, 1,2 kg of waste per capita is generated daily. On the basis of the census, urban population forms 57 %, while there are 43% of rural population. In average, an inhabitant of the Republic of Serbia generates 0,87 kg of municipal waste per day (318 kg/per annum).

Please use Table 7a to give an estimated contribution of biomass energy use in 2015 and 2020. (Following the categorization used in Table 7.).

Table 7a: Estimated biomass domestic supply in 2015 and 2020.

Sector of origin		2015		2020	
		Expected amount of domestic resource	Primary energy production (ktoe)		Expected amount of domestic resource
A) Biomass from forestry:	1 direct supply of wood biomass from forests and other wooded land for energy generation	17	1.011		1.200
	2. indirect supply of wood biomass for energy generation				
B) Biomass from agriculture and fisheries:	1. agricultural crops and fishery products directly provided for energy generation		95		468
	2. Agricultural by-products/processed residues and fishery by-products for energy generation				
C) Biomass from	1. Biodegradable fraction of municipal solid waste including				5

¹⁷ Official information from the National Forest Inventory indicates that the total annual growth of all forests in the Republic of Serbia ranges about 9 million m³. Having in mind that, as a rule, not more than 80 % of the annual growth can be cut, it may be concluded that the total volume of fellings, i.e. production of all wood was shows.

waste:	biowaste (biodegradable garden and park waste, food and kitchen waste from households, restaurants, caterers and retail premises, and comparable waste from food processing plants) and landfill gas				
	2. Biodegradable fraction of industrial waste (including paper, cardboard, pallets)				
	3. Sewage sludge				

Table 8: Current agricultural land use for production of crops dedicated to energy in 2009.

Agricultural land use for production of dedicated energy crops	Surface (ha)
1. Land used for short rotation trees (willows, poplars)	-
2. Land used for other energy crops such as grasses (reed canary grass, switch grass, Miscanthus), sorghum	-

4.6.2. Measures to increase biomass availability, taking into account other biomass users (agriculture and forest based sectors)

Mobilisation of new biomass sources

Taking into account that all measures of agricultural policy refer to the enhancement of agricultural production and processing, it may be stated that all of them affect the increase of biomass for energy purposes, because they refer to the increase of arable areas, yield and the number of cattle heads. Also, the state provides incentives for the procurement of certain agricultural machinery, which improves the tilling of land and processing of crops. All these support measures influence increase of available biomass. The support measures also include means given as subsidies per unit of arable area, which are used for enhancement of agricultural production.

The list of support measures is not always the same and a separate set is prepared for each year through the decree regulating the policy of support to agriculture and rural development.

Support measures should become a constant practice, which will not be changed every year, but periodically, or they should be defined for a specific period of time (e.g. in the period of 5 years). These support measures can be defined (adopted) on various levels and by various institutions - the ministry in charge or Autonomous Province of Vojvodina or the local self-government unit.

(a) Please specify how much land is degraded.

Including open pit mines and tailing ponds, this area is estimated at about 35.000 ha (estimate).

In the forthcoming period, in line with the activities described in the item 4.2.10 (d), detailed data on the degraded land (location, area, type, degree of degradation) will also be obtained.

(b) Please specify how much unused arable land there is.

Total area of the unused arable land amounts to 250.000 ha, which represents 4,9 % of the total arable land.

(c) Are any measures planned to encourage unused arable land, degraded land, etc. to be used for energy purposes?

At the moment, there is no plan for separating incentive measures for specific use of the unused arable land, degraded land etc. for energy-related purposes.

As the use of biomass for energy-related purposes still does not function in wide practice and still does not pose a threat and competition to the areas used for production of food, there are no special measures which would regulate the use/purpose of the land.

In the forthcoming period, definition of incentive measures for specific use of land for energy-related purposes and their introduction as regular practice are planned, along with the establishment of monitoring and reporting. During the definition of incentive measures, criteria for determining the purpose and quality of land used and/or that might be used for the production of biomass for energy production will be also set, along with the definition of all other conditions and parameters.

At the same time, the system of control, monitoring and reporting will be defined and established. During the definition and establishment of the control system competent inspection services for monitoring the introduced measures will be appointed.

(d) Is energy use of certain already available primary material (such as animal manure) planned?

In compliance with the available data, construction and commissioning of several biogas-based power plants were planned.

(e) Is there any specific policy promoting the production and use of biogas? What type of uses are promoted (local, district heating, biogas grid, natural gas grid integration)?

There is no specific policy promoting the production and use of biogas. Certain incentives have been defined for biogas-fired power plants, as well as for other renewable energy sources. The Decree on Incentive Measures for Electricity Production from Renewable Energy Sources and Combined Heat and Power Production (Official Gazette of the RoS 99/2009) defines incentives for biogas-based power plants too. Incentives, namely the purchase price, are defined depending on their installed power and for three categories: up to 0,2 MW, from 0,2 to 2 MW and over 2 MW.

All projects being currently implemented or those planned for implementation, envisage local use of biogas.

(f) What measures are planned to improve forest management techniques in order to maximise the extraction of biomass from the forest in a sustainable way? (4): How will forest management be improved in order to increase future growth? What measures are planned to maximise the extraction of existing biomass that can already be put into practice?

Management and control of forest resources is defined by the Law on Forests (Official Gazette of the Ros, No. 30/2010), which indicates that the forest management system is defined by forest management plans (Plan of Development of Forest Areas, Grounds of Forest Management and Programme of Forest Management). These documents ensure durability and sustainability of forest management, which basically means that the wood should not be cut beyond the allowed limit, or over 70% of the annual growth. Sustainable forest management and control are also ensured through the certification of forests by government authorities (as per the FSC certification scheme). Possible problems are recognized regarding privately owned forests, where management systems should be upgraded and the monitoring function improved, as majority of wood fuels are obtained from privately owned forests. There is an opinion that the use of forests should not be increased, but that a market should be developed through a system of incentives, which will make better use of the existing quantity of wood biomass as fuel/energy carrier in an adequate and improved manner. Increase of energy efficiency and enhancement of the use of wood biomass (furnaces/stoves and boilers with a higher efficiency), would produce double positive effects, in terms of reduction of the use of wood-based energy carriers, with an increased efficiency, leaving a larger part of biomass for market needs. In that way the increased demand by the producers of wooden pellets for industrial needs (pellets produced from ground heating wood and wood/forest residues) would be amortized, as well as the supply of domestic market with wood-based energy carriers (heating wood, pellets, briquettes, wood cuttings and charcoal). At the

same time, pressure on the forests as the strategic resource would be reduced, which would further contribute to the enhancement of sustainable forest management.

Impact on other sectors

(a) How will the impact of energy use of biomass on other sectors based on agriculture and forestry be monitored? What are these impacts? (If possible, please provide information also on quantitative effects.) Is the monitoring of these impacts planned in the future?

Presently, there is no precise, official monitoring of the use of biomass for energy needs. Data available today are primarily based on research and studies conducted for R&D purposes or for a purchasing authority – Study for the Energy Community (Biomass Consumption Survey for Energy Purposes in the Energy Community, Republic of Serbia National Report – Energy Community, Center for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving, Athens, 2011.). In the Study carried out for the needs of Energy Community, consumption of biomass was determined on the basis of the adopted model and the corresponding survey including households, industry and tertiary sector (schools and hospitals). The data collected in this way represented the basis for determination of the biomass consumption, but the system which would monitor the use of biomass for energy purposes at the level of municipalities has not been established so far, although this would mean a higher accuracy, while the obtained data could be categorized in the form of a permanently updated database. This database should enable monitoring of the impact of use of biomass for energy purposes on other sectors.

It may be expected that the use of biomass for energy purposes will have a strong impact on other sectors which rely on the agriculture sector, but it is difficult to foresee to what extent and in what way. That largely depends on the type of biomass and the way in which it would be used (Example: If straw is used for the production of briquettes, this does not directly affect the production of food, but as that mass is removed from the soil and not ploughed in or returned to the soil, the soil content is depleted, which affects the future yields).

As regards the forestry sector, monitoring of the use of biomass for energy purposes is mainly conducted through statistics, in the context of the use of (felling) the heating wood. As such way of monitoring proved to be insufficiently accurate due to enormous differences between the data obtained through direct research in the field and the official statistics data, the only way to ensure an adequate monitoring of the use of biomass, is establishment of an efficient cooperation between relevant institutions, primarily between the official statistics, the Forest Directorate and the Faculty of Forestry. At the level of these institutions methodology of conducting the research, collection, processing and publishing the data would be defined. In view of the fact that the said institutions have appropriate human resources and that certain research activities were completed during the implementation of the FAO project, it will be considered

that the gained experience and trained staff be made available for the function of future monitoring of the share of wood biomass for energy needs of Serbia.

The following fact supports the proposed concept of monitoring of wood biomass consumption for energy purposes: according to the data provided by the official statistics, the share of energy from wood biomass in the final energy consumption in 2010 amounted to about 3%, while direct research in the field arrived to the share of over 13%. Thus, the importance of the forestry sector (including wood industry) in the energy-related context is not negligible at all and it should be adequately quantified in the wider context.

At the same time, along with defining the methodology of monitoring the wood biomass, the methodology of monitoring the use of biomass from agriculture should also be defined. For defining the methodology concerning the agricultural biomass representatives of the official statistics, line ministry for agriculture and the provincial secretariat, as well as the Faculty of Agriculture should be involved as well.

(b) What kind of development is expected in other sectors based on agriculture and forest that could have an impact on the energy use? (E.g. could improved efficiency/productivity increase or decrease the amount of byproducts available for energy use?)

Increased productivity will result in an increase of available biomass, primarily in the situations where the rotation of two or more crops during the year would be introduced. Precise forecasts can not be made as parallel development of two scenarios may be expected – increase in processing of biomass and increase in prices of agricultural products. Also, a significant impact will have the policy of incentives (in Serbia, the incentives are still determined at the annual level, so that it is difficult to foresee what support measures will be valid the next year, and consequently what would be their impact on basic/relevant sectors and vice versa).

Evidently, the trend of increase of demand for the wood biomass and agriculture biomass will continue, which necessarily leads towards the need to increase efficiency/productivity not only in the energy context, but in other contexts as well. There is an absolute need for the introduction of adequate standards and reference laboratories for biomass (wood fuels and fuels obtained from agricultural biomass), because that is the only way to prevent a chaos on the market and introduce order into this strategically extremely important field. It is of utmost importance to establish an adequate inter-sectoral cooperation (forestry, agriculture, wood industry, finance, trade, environment etc.), to define the system and manner of market operation, incentives, but also the production and consumption of all kinds of energy carriers obtained from biomass in general. Establishment of biomass exchange (particularly important for agricultural biomass) would enable regulation of the market

The market should be influenced through a different approach, meaning that through an adequate standardization the brokerage of resellers is eliminated and that instead of the sale of wood energy carriers per **prn???**, m³, or kg, the sale based on kWh, as per the energy value of the wood/agricultural biomass, is introduced.

In the forthcoming period greater attention should be dedicated to the possibilities of use of energy plantations, which would further reduce the pressure on natural forests as resource.

Consequently, adequate and synchronized incentive measures in several sectors (finance, trade, environment, forestry etc.), would provide an even greater contribution to sustainable market mechanisms and achievement of a higher level of competitiveness in the near future.

4.7. Planned use of statistical transfers between Member States and planned participation in joint projects with other Member States and third countries

Under this subchapter the expected use of cooperation mechanisms between Member States and Member States and third countries has to be described. This information should draw on that provided in the forecast document referred to in Article 4(3) of the Directive 2009/28/EC.

4.7.1. Procedural aspects

(a) Describe the national procedures (step by step) established or to be established, for arranging a statistical transfer or joint project (including responsible bodies and contact points).

In the forthcoming period the instruction on the procedure for the statistical transfer of energy from RES into the electricity sector and the heating and cooling sector will be prepared. The Instruction on statistical transfer should define the following:

- the ministry in charge of the preparation of the agreement on statistical transfer (the ministry in charge of the energy-related affairs),
- transfer conditions and quantities of energy from RES which are the object of the statistical transfer,
- procedure for adoption of the agreement on statistical transfer, and
- methodology of reporting data on statistical transfer in compliance with the agreement and reporting to the Commission.

(b) Describe the means by which private entities can propose and take part in joint projects either with Member States or third countries.

No procedure has been prescribed, or proposed.

(c) Give the criteria for determining when statistical transfers or joint projects shall be used.

Criteria for determining options for the use of statistical transfers or joint projects have not been prescribed. These criteria should be defined by a special act. Consideration of the use of statistical transfer or joint projects should be harmonized with the Energy Sector Development Strategy and the Energy Sector Development Strategy Implementation Programme.

(d) What is going to be the mechanism to involve other interested Member States in a joint project?

The procedure for concluding international agreements in compliance with the law will be defined in the forthcoming period.

(e) Are you willing to participate in joint projects in other Member States? How much installed capacity/electricity or heat produced per year are you planning to support? How do you plan to provide support schemes for such projects?

On the basis of goals defined in the Energy Sector Development Strategy the Republic of Serbia shall make an estimate and decide on participation in joint projects. For the decision on participation in joint projects constant monitoring of RES share in GFEC and comparison with the goals set in the Action Plan will be necessary. Support schemes for this kind of projects have not been envisaged in the Action Plan.

4.7.2. Estimated excess production of renewable energy compared to the indicative trajectory which could be transferred to other Member States

Please use Table 9 filling in the required information.

4.7.3. Estimated potential for joint projects

(a) In which sectors can you offer renewable energy use development in your territory for the purpose of joint projects?

In the electricity sector.

(b) Has the technology to be developed been specified? How much installed capacity/electricity or heat produced per year?

Hydro-power.

(c) How will sites for joint projects be identified? (For example, can local and regional authorities or promoters recommend sites? Or can any project participate regardless its location?)

Procedure enabling identification of locations for joint projects is not defined.

(d) Are you aware of the potential for joint projects in other Member States or in third countries? (In which sector? How much capacity? What is the planned support? For which technologies?)

Options for joint projects in other states were not considered.

(e) Do you have any preference to support certain technologies? If so, which?

Technologies that should be supported were not identified.

4.7.4. Estimated demand for renewable energy to be satisfied by means other than domestic production

Please use Table 9 filling in the required information.

5. ASSESSMENTS

5.1. Total contribution expected of each renewable energy technology to meet the binding 2020 targets and the indicative interim trajectory for the shares of energy from renewable resources in electricity, heating and cooling and transport.

The contribution of each renewable energy technology to the trajectory and 2020 targets in the electricity, heating and cooling and transport sectors should be estimated giving a possible future scenario without necessarily establishing any technology target or obligation.

For the electricity sector, both the expected (accumulated) installed capacity (in MW) and yearly production (GWh) should be indicated by technology. For hydro, a distinction should be made between plants of less than 1 MW, between 1 and 10 MW, and over 10 MW installed capacity. For solar power, details should be given separately for contributions from photovoltaic solar and concentrated solar power. Wind energy data should be indicated for onshore and offshore separately. For biomass, a distinction should be made between solid, gaseous and liquid biomass for electricity.

When assessing the heating and cooling sector, estimates of both installed capacity and production should be given for geothermal, solar, heat pumps and biomass technologies, with a breakdown for the latter category for solid, gaseous and liquid biomass. The contribution from district heating plants using renewable energy sources should be estimated.

The contribution from different technologies to the renewable energy target in the transport sector should be indicated for ordinary biofuels (both bioethanol and biodiesel), biofuels from wastes and residues, biofuels from non-food cellulosic material or from ligno-cellulosic material, biogas, electricity from renewable energy sources and hydrogen from renewable energy origin.

In case you have estimations on developing the use of certain technologies by regions, could you please indicate that after the table?

Table 9: Estimated excess and/or deficit production of renewable energy compared to the indicative trajectory which could be transferred to/from other Member States in Republic of Serbia (ktoe)

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Estimated excess in forecast document	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Estimated excess in NREAP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4,2	4,4	7,5	7,6	6,2
Estimated deficit in forecast document	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estimated deficit in NREAP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table 10a: Estimation of total contribution (installed capacity, gross electricity generation) expected from each renewable energy technology in Republic of Serbia to meet the binding 2020 targets and the indicative interim trajectory for the shares of energy from renewable resources in electricity 2010-2014

	2009		2010		2011		2012		2013		2014	
	MW	GWh										
Hydro	2.224	9.892	2.227	9.899	2.227	9.299	2.228	9.827	2.230	9.624	2.243	9.686
<1MW	16	43	19	56	19	44	20	60	22	78	35	140
1MW–10 MW	13	58	13	72	13	56	13	52	13	52	13	52
>10MW	2.195	9.791	2.195	9.771	2.195	9.199	2.195	9.715	2.195	9.494	2.195	9.494
Of which pumping	614	603	614	680	614	576	614	640	614	603	614	603
Geothermal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Solar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	4
photovoltaic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
concentrated solar power	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tide, wave, ocean	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wind	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	30	75
onshore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
offshore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Biomass	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
solid	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
biogas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
bioliquids	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	2.224	9.892	2.227	9.899	2.227	9.299	2.228	9.827	2.232	9.628	2.276	9.765
of which in CHP	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Table 10b: Estimation of total contribution (installed capacity, gross electricity generation) expected from each renewable energy technology in Republic of Serbia to meet the binding 2020 targets and the indicative interim trajectory for the shares of energy from renewable resources in electricity 2015-2020

	2009		2015		2016		2017		2018		2019		2020	
	MW	GWh	MW	GWh	MW	GWh	MW	GWh	MW	GWh	MW	GWh	MW	GWh
Hydro	2.224	9.892	2.250	10.068	2.278	9.828	2.335	10.061	2.393	10.079	2.541	10.691	2.666	11.154
<1MW	16	43	42	80	70	282	97	387	125	501	163	651	208	831
1MW–10 MW	13	58	13	52	13	52	13	52	13	52	13	52	13	55
>10MW	2.195	9.791	2.195	9.936	2.195	9.494	2.225	9.622	2.255	9.526	2.365	9.988	2.445	10.269
Of which pumping	614	603	614	603	614	603	614	603	614	603	614	603	614	640
Geothermal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	7
Solar	0	0	5	7	6	9	8	12	10	15	10	15	10	15
photovoltaic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	15
concentrated solar power	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tide, wave, ocean	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wind	0	0	300	750	300	750	300	750	400	1.000	500	1.250	500	1.250
onshore	0	0	300	750	300	750	300	750	400	1.000	500	1.250	500	1.250
offshore	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Biomass	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	66	15	99	38	267	143	983
solid	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	66	15	99	20	132	100	660
biogas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	135	43	323
bioliquids	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	2.224	9.892	2.555	10.825	2.584	10.586	2.653	10.889	2.818	11.193	3.089	12.222	3.933	13.408
of which in CHP	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	66	15	99	20	132	100	150

Table 11: Estimation of total contribution (final energy consumption) expected from each renewable energy technology in Republic of Serbia to meet the binding 2020 targets and the indicative interim trajectory for the shares of energy from renewable resources in heating and cooling 2010-2020

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
	ktoe				ktoe							
Geothermal (excluding low temperature geothermal heat in heat pump applications)	0	6	6	6	6	7	8	8	9	9	10	10
Solar	0	0	0	0	0	5	15	20	25	30	55	55
Biomass	1.059	1.034	1.063	1.065	1.019	1.031	1.034	1.041	1.044	1.046	1.063	1.102
<i>solid</i>	1.059	1.034	1.063	1.065	1.019	1.031	1.034	1.041	1.044	1.046	1.059	1.092
<i>biogas</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	10
<i>bioliquids</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Renewable energy from heat pumps: -of which aerothermal -of which geothermal -of which hydrothermal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	1.059	1.040	1.069	1.071	1.025	1.043	1.057	1.069	1.078	1.085	1.128	1.167
<i>Of which DH</i>	0	0	0	0	0	20	30	60	70	80	110	110
<i>Of which biomass in households</i>	1.059	1.034	1.063	1.065	1.019	1.026	1.026	1.025	1.021	1.021	1.021	1.018

Table 12: Estimation of total contribution expected from each renewable energy technology in Republic of Serbia to meet the binding 2020 targets and the indicative interim trajectory for the shares of energy from renewable resources in the transport sector 2010-2020

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Bioethanol/bio-ETBE [ktoe]										9	13	25
<i>Of which Biofuels (1) Article 21(2)</i>												
<i>Of which imported (2)</i>										40%	40%	57%
Biodiesel [ktoe]							34	74	117	150	190	220
<i>Of which Biofuels (1) Article 21(2)</i>												
<i>Of which imported (3)</i>										42%	54%	60%
Hydrogen from renewables [ktoe]												
Renewable electricity [ktoe]												
Of which road transport [ktoe]												
Of which non-road transport [ktoe]												
Others (as biogas, vegetable oils, etc.) — please specify [ktoe]												
<i>Of which Biofuels (1) Article 21(2)</i>												
Total [ktoe]							34	74	117	159	203	246

5.2. Total contribution expected from energy efficiency and energy saving measures to meet the binding 2020 targets and the indicative interim trajectory for the shares of energy from renewable resources in electricity, heating and cooling and transport.

The answer to this requirement should be included in Table 1 under chapter 2.

Total expected contribution from energy efficiency and energy saving measures to meet the binding 2020 targets and trajectories for the share of energy from RES in the production of electricity, heating and cooling, and transport are shown in the Table 1 , Chapter 2.

5.3. Assessment of the impacts (Optional)

5.4. Preparation of the National Renewable Energy Action Plan and the follow-up of its implementation

(a) How were regional and/or local authorities and/or cities involved in the preparation of this Action Plan? Were other stakeholders involved?

National Renewable Energy Action Plan was prepared in compliance with the Energy Law (Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, Article 52.). This document was prepared simultaneously with the Energy Sector Development Strategy of the Republic of Serbia until 2025 with projections until 2030 and harmonized with the valid domestic legislation in the fields of energy and environmental protection, as well as in the field of construction and urban planning, natural resources, mining and spatial planning, agriculture, forestry and water management. The National Action Plan has also been harmonized with energy efficiency measures, that is with the First Energy Efficiency Action Plan of the Republic of Serbia.

The preparation of the National Action Plan for RES was done with the participation of the working group consisting of the representatives of ministries, provincial secretariats and public enterprises. For the preparation and adoption of the Action Plan were organized public discussions with the representatives local and regional institutions having activities connected with the RES, as well as with various organizations of the public and private sector.

(b) Are there plans to develop regional/local renewable energy strategies? If so, could you please explain? In case relevant competences are delegated to regional/local levels, what mechanism will ensure national target compliance?

In the forthcoming period, within the activities of establishing energy managers at the local/regional level attention will be dedicated also to the activities in the field of RES. It is of utmost importance that the use of RES is

planned and monitored at the local level, because the production of energy for heating and cooling is within the jurisdiction of the local self-government units, as well as the adoption of acts on the measures of support in this sector.

(c) Please explain the public consultation carried out for the preparation of this Action Plan.

Draft National Action Plan was presented at the public presentation in December 2012, and published at the internet web site of the Ministry of Energy, Development and Environmental Protection. On the basis of received suggestions and comments the final version of the document was prepared.

(d) Please indicate your national contact point/the national authority or body responsible for the follow-up of the Renewable Energy Action Plan?

The Ministry in charge of affairs related to energy sector monitors the implementation of the National Action Plan (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, Article 52.).

(e) Do you have a monitoring system, including indicators for individual measures and instruments, to follow-up the implementation of the Renewable Energy Action Plan? If so, could you please give more details on it?

The Ministry in charge of affairs related to energy sector monitors the implementation of the National Action Plan and submits annual reports thereon to the Government (Energy Law, Official Gazette of the RoS No. 57/2011, Article 52.). The evaluation of achieved goals set for the previous year in the NREAP shall use indicators in compliance with the international methodology for reporting in the international agreements and at the level of EU.

Mandatory indicators for the monitoring of the implementation of the National Action Plan for RES are:

- the share of RES in gross final energy consumption,
- the share of RES in energy consumption in the heating and cooling sector,
- the share of RES in energy consumption in the electricity sector,
- the share of RES in energy consumption in the transport sector,
- total annual energy consumption in the heating and cooling sector,
- total annual energy consumption in the electricity sector,
- total annual energy consumption in the transport sector,
- annual consumption of means for the promotion of EE and RES.

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Appendix I

Calculation of the Gross Final Energy Consumption and RES Target in 2020 [5]

Table 8: Serbia 2020 RES Target Calculation	
Parameter	Value
Total Final Energy Consumption, ktoe	8,292.3
+ Losses (electricity), ktoe	513.4
+ Losses (heat), ktoe	69.7
+ Own Consumption (electricity sector), ktoe	260.5
+ Own Consumption (heat sector), ktoe	13.8
Gross Final Energy Consumption 2009, ktoe (A)	9,149.7
Hydro Generation, ktoe	906.1
÷ Hydro Load Factor 2009	42.4%
× Average Hydro Load Factor 1995-2009	41.4%
Normalised Hydro Generation, ktoe (B)	883.9
Other Renewable Energy Sources, ktoe (C)	1,058.7
Total Normalised Renewables, ktoe (D) = (B) + (C)	1,942.6
Renewable Energy Share 2009 (E) = (D) / (A)	21.2%
Flat Rate Increase (F)	5.5%
GDP per capita 2009, €/head	4,062
÷ EU-27 Average GDP per capita, €/head	23,500
GDP per capita Index	17.3%
× Residual Effort per EU-27 Citizen, toe/head	0.148
Residual Effort per Citizen, toe/head	0.026
× Population 2009, m	7.38
Residual Effort, ktoe (G)	189.1
GDP 2009, €bn (real 2005)	23.33
Forecast GDP 2016, €bn (real 2005)	31.51
Annual GDP Growth 2016-20 (equal to 2013-2016 average)	5.2%
Forecast GDP 2020, €bn (real 2005) (J)	38.54
Energy Intensity 2009, toe/€m (real 2005)	652.5
PRIMES Proxy	Slovakia
Scale Factor Adjustment	92%
Adjusted Scale Factor A	7.107
Efficiency Improvement Rate b	-0.758
Regression-Implied Energy Intensity 2020, toe/€m (real 2005) (K) = A × (J) ^b	446.0
Forecast Total Energy Supply 2020, ktoe (J) × (K)	17,186.6
× Ratio of GFEC to TES (assumed constant as 2009)	60.1%
Forecast 2020 Gross Final Energy Consumption, ktoe (H)	10,330.6
Residual Effort 2020 Share (I) = (G) / (H)	1.8%
Total 2020 Renewable Energy Target (E) + (F) + (I)	29%

Note: During the negotiations in the Energy Community, it was decided that initially defined share of renewable energy sources in 2020 from 29% will be reduced to 27%. All other values from the budget targets for renewable energy were unchanged.

Appendix II

Renewable energy legislation

I Basic international regulations

No.	Title	Description
I.1	Law on Ratification of the SEE Energy Community Treaty between the European Union and the Republic of Albania, the Republic of Bulgaria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Croatia, the FYR of Macedonia, the Republic of Montenegro, Romania, the Republic of Serbia and United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo pursuant to the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 (Official Gazette of RS No. 62/2006)	The Law ratifies the Energy Community Treaty, establishing the Energy Community between the European Union and the Republic of Albania, the Republic of Bulgaria, Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Croatia, the FYR of Macedonia, the Republic of Montenegro, Romania, and the Republic of Serbia and United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo pursuant to the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244, signed on 25 October 2005 in Athens, with original text of the Treaty provided in English.
I.2	Law on Ratification of the Stabilization and Association Agreement made between the EU Member States on one side and the Republic of Serbia on the other (the Official Gazette of RS, No. 83/2008)	The Law ratifies Stabilization and Association Agreement, made between European Union Member States on one side and the Republic of Serbia on the other, signed on April 29, 2008 in Luxemburg, with original text of the Agreement provided in English, as well as in other official languages of the European Union.
I.3	Law on Ratification of the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters (Official Gazette of RS, No. 38/2009)	The Law ratifies Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters, signed on June 25, 1998 in Aarhus (Denmark), with original text of the Convention provided in English, French and Russian.
I.4	Law on Ratification of the United Nation Framework Convention on Climate Change, including the annexes to the convention (Official Gazette of RS, No. 2/97)	

I.5	Law on Ratification of the Kyoto Protocol to the United Nation Framework Convention on Climate Change (Official Gazette of RS, No. 88/07 and 38/09)	The Law ratifies Kyoto Protocol to the United Nation Framework Convention on Climate Change, adopted in Kyoto on 11 December 1997 and with original text of the Protocol provided in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish.
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II Basic regulations

No.	Title	Description
II.1	Law on Ministries (Official Gazette of RS, no. 72/2012)	The Law establishes ministries and specialized state organizations and defines their jurisdictions. Specialized state organizations and their scope of work may also be established under special laws.
II.2	Law on State Administration (Official Gazette of RS no. 79/2005, 101/2007, 95/2010)	State administration represents a part of executive branch of Serbian government carrying out state administration duties within the rights and responsibilities assigned to the State. State administration comprises ministries; state administration bodies established under the ministries and specialized state organizations.
II.3	The Law on Particular Jurisdictions assigned to the Autonomous Province of Vojvodina (Official Gazette of RS, No. 6/2002)	The Law provides more elaborate description of jurisdictions assigned to the Autonomous Province, particularly in fields regulated by the state government. The Law also governs certain issues related to the establishment, organization and operation of implementation units established under state funds and institutes and appointed to carry out their duties in the Autonomous Province.
II.4	Law on General Administrative Procedure (Official Gazette of the RoS, Nos. 33/1997 and 31/2001)	State administration bodies are obliged to carry out their duties in accordance with provisions of this Law whenever they are required, while performing their state administrative duties, to directly implement regulations and decide on the rights, responsibilities or legal interests of physical, legal or other entities, as well as to perform other duties defined by this Law.
II.5	Law on Technical Requirements for Products Conformity Assessment (Official Gazette of RS, no. 97/2010)	The Law governs development and adoption of technical requirements addressing different products and adoption of technical regulations, evaluation of product conformity with defined technical norms, obligations of product distributor and product owner, validity of international certificates of conformity and conformity marks, reporting and informing the public on technical regulations and product conformity assessment procedures and supervision over the law implementation and implementation of regulations developed and adopted based on this law.

II.6	Trade Law (Official Gazette of RS No. 53/2010)	The Law governs conditions and modalities of performing and improving trade related activities on the integral market of the Republic of Serbia, as well as issues related to market protection, protection against unfair market competition and associated control activities. Trade is conducted under conditions and in a manner set out by this Law and other regulations that regulate trade in goods and services, as well as in accordance with good business practice and codes of ethics.
II.7	Law on Market Surveillance (Official Gazette of RS No. 92/11)	The Law governs the field of market surveillance conducted by relevant state market surveillance bodies within their legally assigned jurisdictions, general rules for conducting market surveillance and related measures, cooperation between market surveillance bodies and customs offices, exchange of information and communication with parties involved, general provisions on the use of conformity marks, planning and monitoring of market surveillance activities and coordination in the field considered.
II.8	Law on Excise Tax (Official Gazette of RS No. 22/2001 73/2001 80/2002, 43/2003, 72/2003, 43/2004, 55/2004, 135/2004 46/2005, 101/2005 - other Law 5/2009, 31/2009)	The Law governs the Excise Tax matters. Excise Tax is imposed on goods defined in this Law.
II.9	Law on Agriculture and Rural Development (Official Gazette of RS No. 41/2009)	The Law regulates objectives of agricultural policy and policy implementation principles, agricultural subsidies and requirements for granting the subsidies, record keeping and reporting procedures for the agricultural sector, integral agriculture information system, and supervision over the implementation of this Law.
II.10	Law on Waters (Official Gazette of RS No. 30/2010)	The Law regulates legal status of water flows, integrated water management, management of water flotation devices and water-rich soils, financial sources and principles for financing water related activities, supervision over the implementation of this Law, as well as other issues deemed important for water management.
II.11	Decree on Water Use Fee, Water Protection Fee and Fees Payable for Material Extraction from Water Streams, as payable for 2010 (Official Gazette of RS No. 17/10)	The Decree regulates fee amounts payable for water use, water protection and extraction of any material from water streams, in accordance with criteria defined by the Law on Waters.

II.12	Rulebook on the Content of Technical Documentation to be Submitted when Applying for Water Use Approval and Water Use Permit (Official Gazette of RS No. 3/78)	When applying for water use approval and preliminary water use approval, the following technical documentation needs to be submitted in addition to formal water use approval application form: technical report, calculations (hydrologic, hydraulic, stability, pollution and similar), graphical references (situation plans, layouts and cross sectional drawings showing all elements necessary to examine impact of water regime on a facility and vice versa), description of natural water regime, presentation of designed water regime, impact of the facility on natural and designed water regime, impact of natural and designed water regime on the facility, situation with respect to water stream pollution and indicative pollution parameters of wastewaters discharged into water streams.
II.13	Law on Public Companies (Official Gazette of RS No. 119/12)	Public company is a company that carries out activities of general public interest and is thereby established by the state i.e. municipality or autonomous province. Public company is established and operates in accordance with this Law and the law that regulates conditions and modalities for implementation of activities of general public interest and in accordance with the Law that regulates legal position of companies
II.14	Law on Public Property (Official Gazette of RS No. 72/2011)	The Law regulates issues of public property rights and other property rights of the Republic of Serbia, autonomous province and municipalities.
II.15	Companies Law (Official Gazette of RS No. 36/2011)	The Law regulates legal position of business organizations i.e. companies, particularly issues related to their establishment, management, status changes, changes in legal forms, their termination and other issues important for their market position, as well as legal position of business entrepreneurs. Provisions of this Law are applied to all forms of business entrepreneurship which are established and operate in accordance with any special law, unless that law states otherwise.
II.16	Law on Utility Services (Official Gazette of RS No. 88/2011)	The Law defines utility services and regulates general conditions and principles for their provision. Utility activities, as defined in this Law, are activities associated with provision of utility services important for meeting the vital needs of physical and legal entities, whereby municipal government is responsible for providing favorable conditions that guarantee certain quality, volume, availability and continuity of utility services, as well for controlling the service provision.

		<p>Utility services are services of general public interest.</p> <p>Utility services include heat generation and distribution, which are, as defined in the consumer protection regulations, considered to be services of general economic interest. Local municipal government may proclaim other services, deemed to be of local importance, as utility services and define principles for their provision.</p>
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III Energy regulations (electricity-heat – biofuels)

No.	Title	Description
III.1	Energy Law (Official Gazette of RS No. 57/11, 80/11 – correction and 93/12)	The Law regulates national energy policy objectives and policy implementation modalities, conditions for reliable, safe and high quality energy supply and supply of energy sources, terms and conditions for secure consumer supply, conditions for construction of new energy facilities, conditions and modalities of carrying out energy activities, electricity and gas market organization and functioning, rights and obligations of market participants, protection of energy consumers and users of energy sources, modalities, conditions and incentives granted for electricity generation from renewable energy sources and combined heat and power generation, rights and obligations of state bodies, role, funding, jurisdictions and other issues important for operation of Serbian Energy Efficiency Agency with respect to implementation of this Law, as well as control over implementation of this Law.
III.2	Decision on the Adoption of Energy Sector Development Strategy of the Republic of Serbia for the Period Until 2015 (Official Gazette of RS No. 44/2005)	Energy Sector Development Strategy of the Republic of Serbia for the period until 2015 is adopted by this Decision, with the Strategy itself representing an integral part of this Decision.
III.3	Decree on Adoption of Serbian Energy Sector Development Strategy Implementation Program, for the period 2007-2012 (Official Gazette of RS No. 17/2007, 73/2007, 99/2009, and 27/2010)	Decree on adoption of Serbian Energy Sector Development Strategy Implementation Program for the period 2007-2012 (Official Gazette of RS No. 17/2007, 73/2007 and 99/2009), changes the following chapters of the Energy Sector Development Strategy Implementation Program: 1. surface coal mining; 2. underground coal mining; 3. oil industry; 4. oil transport; 5. gas industry; 6. hydro power plants; 7. thermal power plants and thermal power and heat plants; 8. power distribution; 9. power transmission; 10. municipal district heating plants and

		individual boiler houses; 11. industrial power/heat engineering; 12. energy efficiency; 14. energy efficiency fund and 15. environmental protection.
III.4	Decree on the Terms of Electricity Supply (Official Gazette of RS No. 107/2005)	<p>The Decree regulates terms and conditions of electricity supply, as well as measures to be undertaken in case when security of electricity supply to the consumers is jeopardized due to power system disruptions or disruptions in Serbian electricity market, namely:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Terms and modality of granting approval to connect to the power transmission or distribution system; 2) Terms and modality of connecting temporary facilities, construction sites and trial run facilities to power transmission or distribution system; 3) Measures to be undertaken in case of short-term disruptions caused by power system breakdowns and other unforeseen circumstances when safety of the power system operation is jeopardized, as well as due to unforeseen but inevitable works on maintenance of electric power facilities and required works on the power system expansion, as well as other terms and measures for facilitating electricity supply to the consumers; 4) Measures to be undertaken in case of power supply shortage caused by circumstances referred to in Article 76 of the Energy Law; 5) Terms and conditions related to termination of power supply contract; 6) Terms and conditions of rational energy use and energy saving; 7) Terms and conditions for undertaking measures and scheduling power supply restrictions, as well as energy saving and rational energy consumption in case of electricity shortage; 8) Terms of supplying power to consumers that cannot be disconnected or denied regular power supply on the grounds of unsettled electricity bills or in other situations; 9) Methods for calculating and billing electricity consumption; 10) Method for regulating supplier-consumer relations in case of consumers that cannot be disconnected or denied regular power supply;

		<p>11) Method for measuring electricity delivered to the consumers;</p> <p>12) Method for calculating unauthorized electricity consumption;</p> <p>13) Method of notifying consumers in cases referred to in paragraphs 3), 4), 5), 6) and 7) above.</p>
III.5	Decree on conditions and procedure for acquiring the status of privileged power producer ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 08/2013)	This Decree shall specify conditions and procedure for acquiring the status of privileged power producer, content of the request for acquiring the status of privileged power producer, evidence of eligibility for acquiring the status of privileged power producer, minimum primary energy efficiency level in co-generation power plants depending on type of primary fuel and installed power, maximum total installed power for wind and solar power plants which may acquire the status of privileged producer i.e. temporary status of privileged power producer, obligations of privileged power producers and methods of monitoring and control, as well as methods of keeping the Privileged Power Producers Registry.
III.6	Decree on incentive measures for privileged power producers ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 08/2013)	The Decree shall specify the categories of privileged power producers, regulate the incentive measures, define conditions for obtaining the right to use these measures, method of determining of the incentive period, rights and obligations arising from these measures for the privileged power producers and other energy entities and regulate the content of the Power Purchase Agreement and Preliminary Power Purchase Agreement with a privileged power producer.
III.7	Decree on the method of calculation and allocation of funds collected for purpose of incentive remunerations for privileged power producers ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 08/2013)	This Decree shall specify the method of calculation, charging i.e. payment and collecting of funds related to incentive remunerations for Privileged Power Producers as well as the method of allocation of funds collected on that basis.
III.8	Decree on the amount of special Feed-in Tariff in 2013. godini ("Official Gazette of the RoS", No. 08/2013)	Financial – sets the amount of special feed-in tariff for 2013
III.9	Decree on the Terms of Natural Gas Supply (Official Gazette of RS No. 47/2006, 3/2010 and 48/2010)	The Decree provides more elaborate description of the terms of natural gas supply, as well as measures to be taken in case of jeopardized natural gas supply caused by disruptions in gas transportation i.e. distribution system or disruptions on the Serbian

		<p>natural gas market, namely:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Terms and modalities of granting approval to connect to the natural gas transport or distribution system; 2) Measures to be undertaken in case of short-term disruptions caused by accidents and other unforeseen circumstances that may jeopardize the safety of natural gas transport or distribution, as well as measures to be undertaken in case of necessary maintenance works in energy generation facilities or energy system expansion, as well as other terms and measures for facilitating natural gas supply to the consumers; 3) Measures to be undertaken in case of a shortage in natural gas supply caused by circumstances stipulated in Article 76 of the Energy Law; 4) Terms and conditions related to termination of natural gas supply contract; 5) Terms and conditions related to rational natural gas consumption and natural gas saving; 6) Terms and conditions for undertaking measures and scheduling natural gas supply restrictions, as well as measures targeted at natural gas saving and rational natural gas use in case of a shortage in natural gas supply; 7) Terms of supplying natural gas to consumers that cannot be disconnected or denied regular natural gas supply on the grounds of unsettled natural gas bills or in other situations; 8) Method for regulating supplier-consumer relations in case of consumers that cannot be disconnected or denied regular natural gas supply; 9) Method for metering natural gas supply; 10) Method for calculating unauthorized natural gas use; 11) Method of notifying consumers in cases referred to in paragraphs 2), 3), 4), 5) and 6) above.
III.10	<p>Rulebook on Criteria for Energy Permit Issuing, Contents of Energy Permit Application and Procedure for Energy Permit Issuing</p>	<p>The Rulebook provides more elaborate description of energy permit issuing criteria, contents of energy permit application and modality of energy permit issuing, as well as contents of the registry of issued energy permits and registry of expired energy</p>

	(Official Gazette of RS No. 23/2006 and 113/2008)	permits.
III.11	Rulebook on Professional Staff Requirements and Terms of Issuing and Revoking Energy Licenses (Official Gazette of RS No. 117/2005, 40/2006 and 44/2006)	The Rulebook provides more elaborate description of requirements related to professional staff performing technical management tasks in energy facilities, i.e. maintenance of natural gas transport and distribution facilities, as well as to operators of those facilities, terms and modalities for issuing and revoking energy licenses and issued and revoked licenses record-keeping.
III.12	Rulebook on Technical and Other Requirements for Crude Oil Derived Liquid Fuels (Official Gazette of RS No. 62/2011)	The Rulebook defines technical and other requirements that must be met by oil-derived liquid fuels which are used in internal combustion engines or are placed on the Serbian market as energy fuels, as well as criteria for evaluating whether a fuel has met the specified requirements.
III.13	Rulebook on Technical and Other Requirements for Bio-Derived Liquid Fuels (Official Gazette of RS No. 23/2006)	The Rulebook defines technical and other requirements that must be met by bio-derived liquid fuels which are used as energy fuels and fuels combusted in diesel engines.
III.14	Rulebook on Energy Efficiency of Buildings (Official Gazette of RS No. 61/2011)	The Rulebook provides more elaborate requirements related to energy performance and calculation of heat consumption of high-rise building structures, as well as energy performance requirements imposed on new and existing buildings. The Rulebook does not apply to: buildings for which construction permit is not required, buildings constructed based on a temporary construction permit, buildings built based on a permit issued for temporary construction works, workshops, production halls, unheated or unairconditioned industrial facilities, buildings used only temporary during summer and winter seasons (used less than 25% of time during winter i.e. summer season).
III.15	Rulebook on Terms, Contents and Modalities for Issuing Energy Performance Certificates for Buildings (Official Gazette of RS No. 61/2011, 3/2012)	The Rulebook provides more elaborate definition of requirements related to terms, contents and modalities for issuing energy performance certificates for buildings. Energy performance certificate is a document that provides information on calculated heat demand for particular building category, building energy class and recommendations on energy performance improvement (energy passport).
III.16	Power Purchase Agreement model	
III.17	Law on Pipeline Transport of Gaseous and Liquid Hydrocarbons and	The Law defines conditions for safe and uninterrupted pipeline transport of gaseous and liquid hydrocarbons and distribution of gaseous

	Distribution of Gaseous Hydrocarbons (Official Gazette of RS No. 104/2009)	hydrocarbons, as well as conditions for design and construction, maintenance and use of pipelines and internal gas installations.
III.18	Decision on the Coefficient used to Calculate Energy License Fee Payable for Conducting Energy-related Activities, as payable for 2013 (Official Gazette of RS No. 122/2012)	The Decision defines a coefficient to be used when calculating energy license fee payable for conducting energy-related activities.
III.19	Criteria and Norms for Determining an Energy License Fee Payable for Conducting Energy-related Activities (Official Gazette of RS No. 76/11 and 1/13)	Implementation of specified criteria and norms, in accordance with particular elements determined by the prescribed norms, for calculating energy license fee payable by an entity carrying out energy-related activity.
III.20	Decision on Coefficient Value used for Calculating Energy License Fee Payable for Conducting Energy-related Activities, as payable for 2011 (Official Gazette of RS No. 95/2010)	The Decision defines a coefficient value to be used when calculating energy license fee payable for conducting energy-related activities in 2011.
III.21	Tariff System for Electricity Transmission System Access and Utilization (Official Gazette of RS No. 1/07, 31/07)	This tariff system, concerning connection to and use of electricity transmission grid, specifies elements and tariffs needed to calculate rates for connecting to and use of electricity transmission grid, as well as procedures for calculating the said rates.
III.22	Tariff System for Electricity Distribution System Access and Utilization (Official Gazette of RS No. 1/07, 31/07)	This tariff system, concerning connecting and utilization of electricity distribution grid, specifies tariffs needed to calculate rates for connecting to and use of electricity distribution grid, procedures for calculating the said rates, as well as electricity distribution system user groups depending on the location of electricity delivery, electricity consumption metering and other issues associated with electricity supply.
III.23	Tariff System for Electricity Settlement for Tariff Customers (Official Gazette of RS No. 1/07, 31/07, 50/07, 81/07, 21/08, 109/09, 100/10)	This tariff system, defining electricity price calculation as applied to electricity consumers, specifies elements and principles needed to calculate electricity price for different categories of electricity consumers, methods for calculating the said prices, as well as categories and groups of electricity consumers depending on the location of electricity use, electricity consumption metering and other issues associated with supplied and purchased electricity.
III.24	Decision on Methodology	The Methodology specifies modality of setting tariff

	for Determining Tariff Elements Needed to Calculate Electricity Transmission Grid Connection and Use Costs (Official Gazette of RS No. 68/06, 18/07, 116/08, 92/10, 45/11)	elements for calculating electricity transmission grid connection and use cost.
III.25	Decision on Methodology for Determining Tariff Elements Needed to Calculate Electricity Distribution Grid Connection and Use Costs (Official Gazette of RS No. 68/06, 18/07, 116/08)	The Methodology specifies modality of setting tariff elements for calculating electricity distribution grid connection and use costs.
III.26	Decision on Electricity Use Pricing Methodology for Calculating Electricity Costs Charged to the Consumers (Official Gazette of RS No. 68/06, 18/07, 116/08)	The Methodology determines modality of setting tariff elements for calculating electricity prices charged to electricity consumers, including the costs of generated electricity and services provided to tariff customers, as well as elements for setting the price of heat generated in combined heat and power plants (cogeneration process).
III.27	Decision on Methodology Defining Criteria and Principles for Determining Electricity Distribution Grid Connection and Use Costs (Official Gazette of RS No. 60/06, 79/06, 114/06, 14/07, 9/09)	The Methodology provides more elaborate definition of criteria and principles used to determine costs of connecting power generation and power consumption facilities to electricity transmission or distribution grid, in accordance with regulations governing the performance of energy activities and the terms of electricity delivery.
III.28	Decision on Determining Minimum Annual Electricity Consumption for Acquiring Eligible Customer Status (Official Gazette of RS No. 21/08)	The status of eligible customer may be acquired by any electricity consumer, regardless of its annual electricity consumption, except by consumers exclusively purchasing electricity for their own household needs, who may acquire the eligible customer status if their annual electricity consumption is not less than 200.000 kWh.

IV Mining and Geological Surveys

No.	Title	Description
IV.1	Law on Mining and Geological Surveys (Official Gazette of RS No. 88/2011)	The Law regulates measures and activities associated with mineral resource policy and modalities of policy implementation, terms and conditions for performing geological surveys focused on mineral and other geological resources, investigation of geological environment, as well as geological surveys carried out in relation to space and town planning, design,

		construction and land reclamation, classification of resources and available mineral reserves and ground waters, use of reserves, mineral and geothermal resources, construction, utilization and maintenance of mining facilities, stations, equipment and devices, principles for carrying out mining activities, mine waste management, recovery and reclamation of abandoned mining facilities, as well as supervision over implementation of this Law.
IV.2	Decree on the Amount and Payment of Fee Payable for Conducting Applied Geologic Surveys of Mineral and Other Geologic Resources, as payable for 2012 (Official Gazette of RS No. 100/11)	The Decree regulates the amount and payment of state-imposed fee for conducting applied geological surveys targeted towards investigating mineral and other geological resources, as payable for 2012.
IV.3	Decree on 2010 Geological Survey Program (Official Gazette of RS No. 36/2010)	The Decree defines Geological Survey Program related to the surveys to be conducted in the following fields: general geological surveys, hydro-geological surveys, engineering geology surveys, analysis of mineral resources, geo-environmental surveys, as well as implementation and development of geology related information system.
IV.4	Rulebook on Criteria for Determining Mineral Resource Potential of Certain Area (Official Gazette of RS No. 51/96)	This Rulebook defines criteria that enable mineral resource potential of certain area to be determined within the scope of basic geological surveys.
IV.5	Rulebook on the Content of Geological Survey Project Report and Report on the Results of Geological Surveys (Official Gazette of RS No. 51/96)	This Rulebook provides more elaborate description of the content of Geological Survey Project Reports and Reports on the Results of Geological Surveys.
IV.6	Rulebook on Classification and Categorization of Groundwater Reserves and Related Record Keeping (Official Gazette of SFRY No. 37/79)	This Rulebook defines a unique set of criteria for determining ground water reserves, conditions for their classification and categorization, calculation methods, record keeping and content of the Report on Classification, Categorization and Calculation of Groundwater Reserve Levels.
IV.7	Rulebook on the Content of Mining Design documentation (Official Gazette of RS No. 27/97)	This Rulebook defines the content of mining design documentation, namely: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) detailed, supplementary and simplified mine design developed for excavation of solid mineral resources; 2) detailed and supplementary mine design

		<p>developed for exploitation of oil fields, natural gas fields and geothermal energy, and simplified mining design for the construction of certain oil wells, gas wells, groundwater wells, as well as above-the-ground facilities used for oil, gas and water exploitation, treatment and transport;</p> <p>3) detailed and supplementary mine design for permanent cessation of mineral resource exploitation works.</p>
IV.8	Rulebook on Mining Related Measurements (Official Gazette of RS No. 40/97)	This Rulebook specifies modalities of conducting mining related measurements, keeping of the original plan and map documentation, as well as modality of mining plan preparation, keeping the record of measurement logs and internal mining cadastre.
IV.9	Rulebook on the Long-Term Mineral Field Exploitation Program and Annual Mining Plans (Official Gazette of RS No. 27/97)	<p>This Rulebook defines content of the long-term mineral field exploitation program and annual mining plans.</p> <p>Long-term mineral field exploitation program and annual mining plans are developed based on available data on determined quantities and quality of mineral deposits and issues associated with their exploitation.</p>
IV.10	Rulebook on Terms and Conditions for Performing Certain Professional Tasks related to Exploitation of Mineral Resources (Official Gazette of RS No. 40/97 and 32/98)	<p>This Rulebook defines terms and conditions for performing certain professional tasks related to exploitation of mineral resources.</p> <p>Professional tasks addressed in this Rulebook include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) operating heavy mining machinery and facilities related to exploitation of solid mineral resources, oil and gas; 2) rescue activities carried out in mine shafts and oil and gas fields; 3) handling of explosive materials and mining; 4) assembling and maintenance of equipment, electrical devices and installations inside the mine shafts, where safety of the workers is jeopardized by the presence of explosion prone gasses and coal dust, or in oil, gas and water exploration and exploitation facilities where safety of the workers is jeopardized by the presence of explosive natural gas.
IV.11	Rulebook on Terms and Criteria for Transferring the Right to Conduct Geological Surveys and Allocating the Funds needed to Conduct the Surveys (Official Gazette of RS No. 40/97 and 51/96)	This Rulebook more elaborately describes principles, conditions and criteria for transferring the right to conduct geological surveys and allocating the funds needed to conduct the surveys.

IV.12	Rulebook on Conditions and Modalities of Performing Technical Inspection of Mine Structures (Official Gazette of RS No. 40/97)	The Rulebook defines conditions and modalities of performing technical inspection of mine structures, devices, facilities, equipment and installations which are either allocated to or installed in that particular structure, or inspection of one part of mine structure that represents an integral technical and process unit which, as such, may be used independently.
IV.13	Rulebook on the Conditions and Costs of Issuing License for Performing Occupational Health and Safety Works (Official Gazette of RS No. 29/2006)	The Rulebook defines conditions and costs of issuing licenses to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) legal entity or entrepreneur for performing occupational health and safety related works; 2) legal entity and a person responsible for performing equipment inspection and testing and analysis of workplace conditions.
IV.14	Rulebook on the Terms, Program and Modalities of Taking the Professional Exam for Acquiring Authorization to Conduct Professional Tasks Related to Mineral Resource Exploitation (Official Gazette of RS No. 21/96, 47/96)	The Rulebook defines conditions, program and modality of taking the professional exam for acquiring authorization to perform activities related to technical management, mining design development, management of mining measurements and development of mining plans, occupational health protection plan management, supervision over mineral resource exploitation, as well as other professional tasks that require appropriate licensing or authorization.
IV.15	Rulebook on the Contents of Feasibility Study on Mineral Deposit Exploitation (Official Gazette of RS No. 108/06)	This Rulebook provides more elaborate description of the contents of feasibility study addressing exploitation of mineral deposits.

V Spatial planning regulation (construction permit)

No.	Title	Description
V.1	Law on Planning and Construction (Official Gazette of RS No. 72/2009 and 81/2009-correction, 64/2010 – decision of the Constitutional Court, 24/2011)	This Law governs the conditions and modalities of spatial planning, organization and use of construction land and construction of structures; supervision over implementation of this Law and supervisory inspections; other issues important for space planning, construction land planning and use, as well as structure construction.
V.2	Law on Spatial Plan of the Republic of Serbia for the period from 2010 to 2020 (Official Gazette of RS No. 88/2010)	Spatial Plan of the Republic of Serbia developed for the period from 2010 to 2020 defines basis of long-term organization, arrangement, use and protection of territorial land of the Republic of Serbia, as needed to harmonize its social and economic development with development of natural, environmental and cultural potentials and limitation of the country.
V.3	Regional Spatial Plan of the	Regional Spatial Plan of the Autonomous Province

	Autonomous Province of Vojvodina (Official Gazette of APoV, No. 22/2011)	of Vojvodina defines basis of long-term organization, arrangement, use and protection of territorial land of the Autonomous Province of Vojvodina, as needed to harmonize its social and economic development with development of natural, environmental and cultural potentials and limitation of the Province.
V.4	Rulebook on the Contents of Location Information and the Contents of Location Permit (Official Gazette of RS No. 3/2010)	The Rulebook more elaborately describes requirements associated with location related information and the contents of Location Permit.
V.5	Rulebook on the Contents and Modalities of Construction Permit Issuing (Official Gazette of RS No. 93/2011)	The Rulebook more elaborately describes the contents and modalities for Construction Permit issuing.
V.6	Rulebook on the Contents and Modalities of Carrying out Technical Inspection of Facilities and Use Permit Issuing (Official Gazette of RS No. 93/2011)	This Rulebook more elaborately describes the contents and modalities for carrying out technical inspection of facilities and technical inspection of certain works performed during building construction, as well as issues associated with use permit issuing.
V.7	Rulebook on the As-Build Design and Technical Documentation related to Construction Permit and Use Permit Issuing (Official Gazette of RS No. 79/06)	
V.8	Rulebook on the Contents and Scope of Preliminary Works, Preliminary Feasibility Study and Feasibility Study (Official Gazette of RS No. 1/2012)	The Rulebook provides more elaborate description of defined contents, scope and modalities for preparation of Preliminary Feasibility Study and Feasibility Study on building construction.
V.9	Rulebook on the Contents and Procedure for Issuing and Revoking Licenses for Chartered Town Planner, Chartered Design Engineer, Chartered Engineer for On-site Work Execution and Chartered Space Planner (Official Gazette of RS No. 116/04, 69/06)	The Rulebook provides more elaborate description of the contents and procedure for issuing and revoking Chartered Town Planner, Chartered Design Engineer, and Chartered Engineer for On-site Work Execution and Chartered Space Planner licenses.
V.10	Rulebook on Methods, Modalities and Contents of Data Used to Determine	The Rulebook provides more elaborate description of methods, modalities and contents of data used to determine fulfillment of requirements for issuing

	Fulfillment of Requirements for Issuing Technical Documentation Preparation License and License for Construction of Facilities for which Construction Permit is Issued by the Ministry or the Autonomous Province, as well as Terms for Revoking such Licenses (Official Gazette of RS No. 114/2004)	license permitting technical documentation preparation and license for construction of facilities for which construction permit is issued by the Ministry or autonomous province, as well as conditions for revoking such licenses.
V.11	Rulebook on the Contents and Modalities of Performing Technical Review of Detailed Designs (Official Gazette of RS No. 93/2011)	The Rulebook regulates the contents and modalities for performing technical review of detailed designs developed for building construction, detailed designs developed for reconstruction, adaptation and refurbishment of building structures, as-built designs developed for building legalization needs, detailed designs developed in accordance with regulations of other countries, as well as detailed designs or sections of detailed designs which have already been the subject of technical review but for which relevant regulations have been changed or ceased to be valid in a period that has passed between the date of finalized technical review and the construction permit application date.
V.12	Rulebook on Minimum Warranty Periods for Certain Types of Facilities and Works	The Rulebook provides more elaborate description of minimum warranty periods required for certain types of facilities and works carried out in those facilities.
V.13	Rulebook on Methodology and Procedure for Implementation of Projects Deemed Important for the Republic of Serbia (Official Gazette of RS No. 1/2012)	The Rulebook provides more elaborate description of methodology and procedure for implementation of construction projects in case of facilities for which the construction permit is issued by the Ministry in charge of civil engineering works or the Autonomous Province.
V.14	Rulebook on the Contents and Modalities of Preparation of Technical Documentation for the Construction of High-Rise Structures (Official Gazette of RS No. 15/2008)	The Rulebook provides more elaborate description of the contents and modalities for preparation of technical documentation for the construction of high-rise structures.
V.15	Rulebook on Scope and Modalities of Soil and Facility Monitoring During Facility Construction and Use (Official Gazette of RS No. 93/2011)	The Rulebook provides more elaborate description of the scope and modalities of soil and facility monitoring during facility construction and use.

V.16	Rulebook on the Conditions, Method of Keeping and Accessing to Investors Registry, as well as the Contents of the Registry (Official Gazette of RS No. 55/2010)	The Rulebook provides more elaborate description of the conditions, method of keeping and accessing to Investors Registry, as well as the contents of the Registry.
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VI Environmental protection regulation (environmental impact assesment)

No.	Title	Description
VI.1	Law on Environmental Protection (Official Gazette of RS No. 135/2004 and 36/2009)	The Law governs the integrated environmental protection system that ensures basic human right to live and develop in healthy environment, as well as balanced economic growth and protection of the environment in the Republic of Serbia.
VI.2	Law on Strategic Environmental Impact Assessment (Official Gazette of RS No. 135/2004, 88/2010)	The Law regulates conditions, modalities and procedure for evaluating environmental impact of certain plans and programs, with an aim to provide environmental protection and sustainable development related improvements through integration of basic environmental protection principles into plan and program preparation and adoption procedures.
VI.3	Law on Environmental Impact Assessment (Official Gazette of RS No. 135/2004 and 36/2009)	The Law regulates Environmental Impact Assessment preparation for projects deemed to have potentially significant impact on the environment, the contents of Environmental Impact Assessment, participation of relevant state bodies, organizations and the public, providing information to the neighboring countries on projects that may impact the environment of that particular country, environmental supervision and other important environmental impact assessment issues.
VI.4	Law on Integrated Prevention and Control of Environmental Pollution (Official Gazette of RS No. 135/2004, 36/2009)	The Law regulates conditions and procedure for granting integrated permits to installations and activities that may have adverse effects on human health, environment or material resources, types of activities and installations addressed supervision and other issues that are important for environmental pollution prevention and control.
VI.5	Decree on the List of Project for which an Environment Impact Assessment is Required and a List of Project for which an Environment Impact Assessment may be Required (Official Gazette	

	of RS No. 114/08)	
VI.6	Decree on Types of Facilities and Activities Requiring Integrated Permit (Official Gazette of RS No. 84/05)	The Decree defines types of facilities and activities requiring an Integrated Permit.
VI.7	Rulebook on the Contents of Application Form for Deciding on the Need for Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and the Scope and Contents of EIA (Official Gazette of RS No. 69/2005)	The Rulebook provides more elaborate description of the contents of application submitted in order to obtain a decision whether Environmental Impact Assessment is needed, as well as the scope and contents of Environmental Impact Assessment.
VI.8	Rulebook on the Contents of Environmental Impact Assessment (Official Gazette of RS No. 69/2005)	The Rulebook defines the contents of Environmental Impact Assessment.
VI.9	Law on Waste Management (Official Gazette of RS No. 88/2010)	The Law defines: waste types and classification of waste, waste management planning, parties involved in waste management issues, waste management related responsibilities and obligations, waste management organization, special waste flow management, terms and procedures for waste management licensing, cross-border movement of waste, waste related reporting and waste database, waste management funding, supervision, as well as other issues deemed important for waste management. Waste management is declared to be an activity of general public interest.
VI.10	Rulebook on Conditions and Modalities of Collection, Transport, Storage and Treatment of Waste Used as Secondary Raw Material or Waste Used for Energy Generation (Official Gazette of RS No. 98/2010)	The Rulebook provides more elaborate description of conditions and modalities of collection, transport, storage and treatment of waste used as secondary raw material or waste used for energy generation.
VI.11	Rulebook on Requirements, Modalities and Procedure of Waste Oils Management (Official Gazette of RS No. 71/2010)	The Rulebook defines requirements, modalities and procedure for managing waste oils deemed unusable for their original purpose. The Rulebook does not apply to management of waste oils containing halogens, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), polychlorinated terphenyls (PCT) or pentachlorophenol in concentrations higher than 50 mg/kg of oil.
VI.12	Rulebook on Assortment	The Rulebook defines methods used in assortment

	and Handling of By-products of Animal Origin, Veterinary and Sanitary Requirements for Construction of Facilities for Collection, Processing and Destruction of By-products of Animal Origin, Official Control and Self-control Procedures, as well as Requirements Defined for Cattle Graveyards and Burial Pits (Official Gazette of RS No. 31/2011)	and handling of by-products of animal origin, processing techniques, sanitary requirements, loading and unloading methods, veterinary and sanitary requirements for construction of associated facilities, form and contents of records kept in facilities for collection, processing and destruction of by-products of animal origin, by-product handling in special occasions, official control and self-control procedures, as well as requirements defined for cattle graveyards and burial pits and procedures for burial and incineration of by-products of animal origin.
VI.13	Law on Air Protection (Official Gazette of RS No. 36/2009)	The Law regulates air quality management and defines measures, organization and control over implementation of air quality protection and improvement measures, with air considered to be a value of general public interest which is therefore awarded special protection. Provisions of this Law do not apply to pollution caused by radioactive substances, industrial accidents and natural disasters.
VI.14	Law on Nature Protection (Official Gazette of RS No. 36/2009)	The Law regulates protection and preservation of nature, biological, geological and landscape diversity that represent integral features of the environment. Nature, as a resource of common interest for the Republic of Serbia, enjoys special protection in accordance with provisions of this Law and special Laws.

Appendix III

Competent institutions

When defining the list of competent ministries/institutions, all the institutions are specified that are in charge of RES and issuing of relevant licenses, permits, and approvals. For the institutions that are specified, a short description of their respective activities is also given, in compliance with relevant regulations or foundation documents. Involvement of the specified institutions depends on the type of facility, capacity, and characteristics, so that involvement of all the specified institutions is not always necessary.

The Ministry of Energy, Development and Environmental Protection – its powers are defined in accordance with the Law on Ministries (the Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 72/2012), Article 14 – the Ministry of Energy, Development and Environmental Protection administers the affairs of government administration that are related to the energy sector; the energy balance of the Republic of Serbia; oil and gas economy; strategy and policy of energy security; drawing up of annual and mid-term programs of energy security; secure pipeline transportation of gaseous and liquid hydrocarbons; nuclear power facilities the purpose of which is generation of electricity, or of heat energy, production, use, and disposal of radioactive materials in such facilities; undertaking of measures for the purpose of providing conditions for functioning of public enterprises in the areas for which the Ministry was formed.

The Ministry of Energy, Development and Environmental Protection administers the affairs that are also related to the fundamentals of environmental protection; the system of improvement of the environment; implementation of results of scientific and technological research and development research in the areas of energy and the environment; implementation of the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters; nature protection; protection of air; protection of ozone layer; climate change; cross-border air and water pollution; protection of waters from pollution for the purpose of prevention of deterioration of the quality of surface and ground waters; establishing and implementation of protection of natural systems of importance for the Republic of Serbia; establishing of requirements for environmental protection in planning the space and construction of structures; waste management, except for radioactive waste; approval of cross-border trade in waste and protected plant and animal species, as well as other affairs stipulated by the law.

The RES Department is engaged in the affairs that are related to: creation of regulatory and stimulating conditions for increased utilization of renewable energy sources in the process of electricity and heat energy generation as well as for increased utilization of bio-fuels in transportation; preparation and implementation of programs and monitoring of effects of measures for higher utilization of RES; issuing of concession for facilities that utilize RES, or issuing

of energy permits and issuing of decisions on the status of a privileged electricity producer for facilities that utilize RES; implementation of projects the aim of which is increased utilization of RES and providing information to potential investors; participation in realization of international cooperation in the area of RES; normative, legal, and administrative affairs for the requirements of the Department and other affairs within the terms of reference of the Department.

The Ministry of Construction and Urban Planning – its powers are defined in accordance with the Law on Ministries (the Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 72/2012), Article 9 – the powers of this Ministry are related to the building land, urban planning, establishing of conditions for construction of structures, utility infrastructure, and public utility services, inspection supervision in the area of urban planning, buildings, and inspection supervision over the facilities of utility infrastructure and engaging in providing of public utility services.

The Ministry of Natural Resources, Mining and Spatial Planning – the powers of this Ministry are defined in accordance with the Law on Ministries (the Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 72/2012), Article 16. By virtue of the said Law, the Ministry of Natural Resources, Mining and Spatial Planning administers the affairs of government administration that are also related to: sustainable development of natural resources, or resources (air, waters, land, mineral raw materials, forests, fish, wild plant and animal species); the system of protection of natural resources; the strategy and policy of development of natural resources; drawing up of programs of exploratory works in the area of natural resources, drawing up of annual and mid-term programs of detailed exploratory works in the area of natural resources and provision of material and other conditions for implementation of such programs, inspection supervision in the area of sustainable utilization of natural resources, preparation of the balance of reserves of ground waters, norms and standards for drawing of geological maps, and other affairs stipulated by the law.

The Ministry of Natural Resources, Mining and Spatial Planning administers the affairs of government administration that are also related to spatial planning, i.e. organization, development, and utilization of space of the Republic of Serbia, as well as other affairs stipulated by the law.

The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management - in accordance with the Law on Ministries (the Official Gazette of the RoS, No. 72/2012), Article 11 – the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management administers the affairs of government administration that are related to: the strategy and policy of development of agriculture and foodstuff industries; analysis of production and the market of agricultural products; the balances of agricultural and foodstuff products, structural policy and land policy in agriculture; incentives for improvement of agricultural production; protection and use of agricultural land; rural development; professional agricultural services; the system of market information in agriculture; production, certification, and control of the quality and trade in seeds and planting materials; recognition and protection of varieties of plants and breeds of domestic animals; establishing of the

fulfillment of requirements, risk assessment, and implementation of measures of control related to the biological safety concerning limited use, introduction in production, putting in circulation, and import of genetically modified organisms; preservation and sustainable use of plant and animal genetic resources for food and agriculture, creation of conditions for proposal and implementation of projects from the scope of work of this Ministry that are financed from the EU pre-accession funds, donations, and other forms of development assistance; inspection supervision in the area of agriculture exercised by agricultural inspectors in line with the law, as well as other affairs stipulated by the law. The Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management also administers the affairs of government administration that are related to: management of agricultural land in state ownership; setting up and managing of the information system on agricultural land in the Republic of Serbia; allocation of funds for carrying out of works and monitoring of implementation of the annual program of protection, development, and use of agricultural land in the Republic of Serbia; monitoring of the drafting of the Agricultural Assets of the Republic of Serbia and its implementation; keeping of the register of agricultural assets of the units of local self-governments, and other affairs in line with the law. The Republic Water Directorate, as the administrative body within the complement of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management, administers the affairs of government administration and professional duties that are related to: the water resources management policy; multi-purpose use of waters; water supply, except for water distribution; protection against waters; implementation of measures for protection of waters and planned rationalization of water consumption; regulation of water regimes; monitoring and maintenance of regimes of waters that constitute and cross the border of the Republic of Serbia; inspection supervision in the area of water resources management exercised in compliance with the law, as well as other affairs stipulated by the law. The Forest Administration, as the administrative body within the complement of the Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Water Management, administers the affairs of government administration and professional duties that are related to: the forestry policy; preservation of forests; improvement and use of forests and game; implementation of measures of protection of forests and game; control of seeds and planting materials in forestry; inspection supervision in the area of forestry and hunting exercised in compliance with the law, as well as other affairs stipulated by the law.

The Energy Agency, in accordance with the Energy Law (the Official Gazette of the RoS, Nos. 57/2011, 80/2011 – corr., 93/2012 and 124/12), Article 36 - the Agency is the regulatory body founded for the purpose of improvement and channeling of development of the markets of electricity and natural gas on the principles of non-discrimination and efficient competition, through creation of a stable regulatory framework, as well as to administer other affairs stipulated by this Law.

The Agency, in line with the Energy Law and international agreements, administers the following groups of affairs: price regulation, licensing of energy entities to engage in energy-related activities, deciding on appeals, supervision over the energy market, and implementation of international agreements.

The group of affairs that is related to the price regulation includes:

- Establishing of methodologies for determination of tariff elements for calculation of prices for use of the electricity transmission and distribution system, the system for transportation, distribution, and storage of natural gas, and the systems for transportation of oil and oil derivatives;
- Establishing of methodologies for determination of tariff elements for calculation of prices of electricity, natural gas, and heat energy (produced in facilities with combined process of electricity and heat energy generation) for tariff buyers;
- Adoption of tariff systems for calculation of prices for use of the electricity transmission and distribution system, the system for transportation, distribution, and storage of natural gas, the systems for transportation of oil and oil derivatives, and facilities for storage of natural gas;
- Adoption of tariff systems for calculation of prices of electricity and natural gas for tariff buyers,
- Establishing of criteria and method of establishing costs of connection to the systems for transmission/transportation and distribution of electricity and natural gas;
- Issuing of opinions on the prices for use of the electricity transmission and distribution system, the system for transportation, distribution, and storage of natural gas, the systems for transportation of oil and oil derivatives, and facilities for storage of natural gas;
- Issuing of opinions on the prices of electricity and natural gas for tariff buyers;
- Monitoring of implementation of the methodologies and tariff systems, and
- Monitoring of behavior of energy entities concerning separation of bills.

The group of affairs that is related to licensing of energy entities for engaging in energy-related activities (except for the activities of distribution and generation of heat energy in district heating plants), which are administered by the Agency as the affairs of government administration that are entrusted to it by the Law (delegated affairs), include:

- Issuing of licenses for engaging in energy-related activities;
- Revoking of licenses;
- Monitoring of fulfillment of requirements for licensing;
- Keeping of the register of issued and revoked licenses.

The Republic Agency for Spatial Planning, in accordance with the Law on Planning and Construction (the Official Gazette of the RoS Nos. 72/2009 and

81/2009- amendment, 64/2010 – decision of the CC, 24/2011, 121/2012), Article 71, is an independent organization that exercises public powers in compliance with this Law and regulations adopted by virtue of this Law, for the purpose of providing conditions for efficient implementation and improvement of the planning policy and spatial development in the Republic of Serbia. According to Article 75, the Agency's competence is to: prepare, coordinate, and monitor drawing up of the Spatial Plan of the Republic of Serbia and the program of implementation of the Spatial Plan of the Republic of Serbia; prepare, coordinate, and monitor drawing up of a regional spatial plan and implementation program; prepare, coordinate, and monitor drawing up of a spatial plan of a special-use area; prepare the decision on preparation of all the planning documents proposed by the competent ministry; realize international cooperation in the area of spatial planning; provide professional assistance and prepare excerpts from the Spatial Plan of the Republic of Serbia, a regional spatial plan, and a spatial plan of a special-use area for the requirements of preparation of planning documents of a unit of local self-government; establish a unique system of indicators for spatial planning in compliance with the ESPON system; keep the register of spatial plans for the territory of the Republic of Serbia; prepare and implement education programs for the requirements of preparation of spatial planning documents; prepare annual reports on the implementation of the Spatial Plan of the Republic of Serbia based on ESPON indicators; as required, draw up a spatial plan of a special-use area that is financed from other sources, in line with the law; administer other affairs as well in compliance with the law and the statute.

The Provincial Secretariat for Energy and Mineral Resources, in accordance with the Provincial Assembly decision on the provincial administration (the Official Gazette of the APoV Nos. 4/2010, 4/2011, 20/2012, and 26/2012), Article 58, in compliance with the law and the Statute, administers the affairs of the provincial administration in the area of energy, which are related to preparation of acts for the Assembly or the Provincial Government: proposing a part of the program of implementation of the strategy of development of the energy sector of the RoS for the territory of the APoV; based on established annual demand for energy or energy commodities, expressed on a monthly level, that needs to be provided for, for the purpose of reliable, safe, and quality supply to end buyers, taking into account the need for rational consumption of energy and energy commodities for the territory of the APoV, submits the data for preparation of the energy balance, plans the requirements for energy in the territory of the APoV, as well as conditions and method of providing the necessary energy capacities, in line with the energy-sector development strategy of the RoS and the program of implementation of the strategy.

The Provincial Secretariat for Energy and Mineral Resources administers executive, professional, and development affairs of the Provincial administration for the purpose of implementation of regulations referred to in the previous paragraph.

The Provincial Secretariat for Energy and Mineral Resources monitors: safety of supply of energy and energy commodities, development and use of all forms of primary and secondary energy, investment and development and research programs in the areas of coal, oil, oil derivatives, and bio-fuels, natural gas, heat energy and electricity, geothermal and mineral waters, and all forms of renewable energy sources, energy efficiency, and rational use of energy, current policy of development of the energy sector and mineral raw materials, and functioning of the energy system, production/generation and consumption of all forms of energy and administers the affairs related to safe pipeline transportation of gaseous and liquid hydrocarbons.

The Provincial Secretariat for Energy and Mineral Resources, in the area of the energy sector, mining, geological investigations, and pressurized equipment, in line with the law, administers entrusted affairs of government administration, which are delegated to the authorities of the ApoV by the law.

The Provincial Secretariat for Energy and Mineral Resources administers other affairs when they are delegated to it by the law, the Provincial Assembly decision or other regulation.

The Provincial Secretariat for Urban Planning, Construction and Environmental Protection, in accordance with the Provincial Assembly decision (the Official Gazette of the AP of Vojvodina No. 4/2011), Article 55, in compliance with the law and the Statute, administers the affairs of the provincial administration in the areas of spatial and urban development planning and construction of structures that are related to preparation of documents for the Assembly or the Provincial Government based on which: documents for spatial development of the AP of Vojvodina are produced, adopted, and implemented; regional spatial plans and spatial plans of special-use areas are produced, adopted, and implemented; measures and activities are proposed for the Implementation Program of the Spatial Plan of the Republic of Serbia for the territory of the AP of Vojvodina, regional spatial plans and spatial plans of areas of special use and monitors their implementation; sets up and exercises foundation rights over a public enterprise for spatial and urban development planning and designing. The Provincial Secretariat for Urban Planning, Construction and Environmental Protection provides professional assistance and provides funds for financing, i.e. co-financing, to local self-governments, for preparation of spatial and urban development documentation, technical documentation for infrastructure facilities, projects of professional and NGO organizations in the areas of spatial planning, urbanism, architecture, and construction; exercises professional control and provides public insight in regional spatial plans and spatial plans of special-use areas for areas in the territory of the AP of Vojvodina; issues preliminary approvals and approvals in the procedure of production and adoption of spatial and urban development plans of the units of local self-government from the territory of the AP of Vojvodina and proposes one third of the members of the commission for review of spatial and urban development plans in a unit of local self-government; in compliance with the law, participates in exercising of review

of the technical documentation of facilities for which it issues the construction permits in line with the law; monitors development of utility infrastructure and utility services in the territory of the AP of Vojvodina; participates in the work of commissions and working bodies formed by the minister in charge of the affairs of urbanism and construction, and issues opinions on the statute and bylaws of the Republic Agency for Spatial Planning and the Chamber of Engineers of Serbia. The Provincial Secretariat for Urban Planning, Construction and Environmental Protection, in compliance with the law and the Statute, administers the affairs of the Provincial administration in the area of environmental protection that are related to preparation of acts for the Assembly or the Provincial Government, which: regulate, improve, and ensure environmental protection for the territory of the AP of Vojvodina; puts a natural good under protection; adopts the environmental protection program; adopts the monitoring program, external plan of protection from accidents and plans and programs of management of natural resources and goods; establishes the budget fund, etc.

A Local Self-government Unit (LSU), in accordance with the Law on Local Self-government (the Official Gazette of the RoS No. 129/2007), Article 2, is defined as the right of citizens to administer public affairs of direct, common, and public interest to the local population, both directly and through freely elected representatives in local self-government units, as well as the right and the ability of the authorities of a local self-government, within the boundaries of the law, to regulate and administer public affairs that are within their powers and of interest to the local population.

The Electric Power Industry of Serbia (*EPIS*) is the public enterprise founded by the Government of the Republic of Serbia. The main task of the company is full satisfaction of the needs of the economy and population for electricity. The PC EPIS is a vertically organized enterprise, which has founded 11 companies and three public enterprises in Kosovo and Metohija. As of June 1999, the EPIS has not been in a position to manage its capacities in K&M. The mission of the Electric Power Industry of Serbia is secure supply to all the buyers with electricity, under the market-wise most favorable conditions, with the constant upgrading of the quality of services, improvement of the care for the environment, and upgrading of the welfare of the community.

The vision of the Electric Power Industry of Serbia is to be socially responsible, market oriented, and profitable company, competitive on the European market, and with a major influence in the region, recognized as a reliable partner both to domestic and international companies.

Increased and more efficient use of „green“ energy is also underlined in the strategic documents of energy sector development of the Republic of Serbia, with careful and efficient utilization of the strategic resource – coal. Among the priorities of the PC EPIS is modernization of the existing small HHPs, construction of new small HPPs, development of wind farms, and solar panels for which possible locations are being analyzed. The EPIS is committed, to an adequate extent, to commit its resources to the exploitation of hydro-potentials of

small watercourses and has the interest to construct small hydropower plants at the locations that are already in possession of the EPIS, or in their close vicinities. It is particularly important to stress that the PC EPIS is not engaged in designing, consulting or provision of any services in this field. All the investigations and analyses of potentials of renewable energy sources are undertaken exclusively for own requirements and may not be commercialized.

The Serbian Transmission System (STS) provides the services and information to all the present and future participants in the electricity market in a clear, fair, and non-discriminatory way. Thereby it is ensured that all the participants have an equal treatment with clearly defined rights and obligations. For this purpose, the STS are developing a contractual framework, which will clearly define all the relationships between the STS and participants in the market. Contracts shall be related to the following services:

- Connection to the transmission system of all the new users (power plants, new power distribution facilities, and direct consumers)
- Access to the transmission system (use of the grid)
- Access to the interconnecting long-distance power lines
- Provision of systemic services (primary and secondary regulation, regulation of voltage and reactive powers, restoration of the system after outages, and procurement of electricity to cover losses in the transmission system).
- Organization of the mechanism of balance responsibility for all the participants in the market
- Provision of the balance mechanism (tertiary regulation)
- Coordination of overhauls of generation and transmission capacities.

Public Utility Companies (PUC), in accordance with the Law on Public Utility Services (the Official Gazette of the RoS No. 88/2011), Article 2 – public utility services in terms of this Law are the activities of providing utility services of importance for satisfaction of necessities of life of natural persons and legal entities concerning which a self-government unit is obliged to create conditions to ensure adequate quality, volume, accessibility, and continuity, as well as supervision over their provision. Public utility services are the activities of public interest. Public utility services also include production and distribution of heat energy (centralized production and distribution, in a number of facilities, of steam, hot or boiling hot water for heating requirements) which are considered to be activities of general economic interest in terms of regulations on protection of consumers. A public enterprise, a company, an entrepreneur or other economic operator may engage in public utility services. A local self-government unit is obliged, in the procedure of outsourcing of public utility services, to be guided by the principles of competition, cost-effectiveness, efficiency, and environmental protection.

The Republic Geodetic Authority (RGA) is a special organization that administers professional affairs and affairs of government administration that are related to the state survey, real estate cadastre, cadastre of service lines, main

geodetic works, address register, topographic and mapping activities, real estate value assessment, the geodetic and cadastral information system, and the National Infrastructure of Geospatial Data and geodetic works in engineering and technical areas.

The Republic Hydro meteorological Service (RHMS) is the reference institution with full liability for production and presentation of forecasts of weather and waters, giving alerts and announcements related to emergency and hazardous meteorological and hydrological phenomena. The Republic Hydro meteorological Service administers professional affairs and affairs of government administration that are related to: meteorological, meteorological - radar, agrometeorological, and hydrological observations and analytical and forecasting system; systematic meteorological, climatologic, agro-meteorological, and hydrological measurements and observations; the bank of observed and measured hydrological and meteorological data; monitoring, analysis, and forecasting of conditions and changes of weather, climate, and waters, development of methods, operational observation and announcement of phenomena of stormy weather in the atmosphere and hydrosphere; aeronautical meteorology; investigation of the processes in the atmosphere and hydrosphere and development of methods and models for forecasting of weather, climate, and waters and modifications of weather; drafting of proposals for the utilization of energy potential of the Sun and wind; hydro meteorological support to river traffic; realization and keeping of reference specimen and calibration of meteorological and hydrological instruments; cooperation in the area of international hydrological and meteorological information systems; fulfillment of international obligations in the domain of meteorology and hydrology, as well as other affairs specified by the law.

The Republic Statistical Office is a special professional organization within the system of government administration in the Republic of Serbia, which administers professional affairs that are related to: adoption of programs, organization and implementation of statistical research (including the energy sector), i.e. production of the methodology, collection, processing, statistical analysis, and publishing of statistical data; preparation and adoption of uniform statistical standards; development, maintenance, and use of the Republic administrative and statistical registers; formation and maintenance of the system of national accounts; cooperation and professional coordination with the authorities and organizations authorized to engage in statistical research; cooperation with international organizations for the purpose of standardization and ensuring comparability of data; data processing for the purpose of establishing results of elections and referendums on the Republic level, as well as other affairs stipulated by the law.

State Office for Standardization and Metrology (SOSM) is the only national body for standardization in the Republic of Serbia, which is engaged in the following affairs: adopts, develops, reviews, amends, supplements, and withdraws the Serbian standards and related documents; ensures harmonization of the

Serbian standards and related documents with the European and international standards and related documents; participates in the drafting and review of the European and international standards and related documents adopted by the European and international organizations for standardization in the areas for which there are needs and interests of the Republic of Serbia, and for which it is expected to review or adopt the Serbian standards and related documents; cooperates with the European and international organizations for standardization and national bodies for standardization of the countries signatories of relevant agreements in the area of standardization, etc.

Additionally, institutions that may be competent in the procedure of issuing of permits and approvals, depending on the type of facility/plant, are:

- Public water management enterprises (Srbijavode, Vode Vojvodine, and Beogradvode)
- Institute for Protection of Cultural Monuments
- Forest Administration, etc.