



Certification of the Gas Storage Operator of Ukraine

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LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK



In October 2022 the Regulation (EU) 2022/1032 on gas storage was incorporated into the Energy Community acquis

• gas storage operators have to undergo a certification procedure, which includes a binding opinion by the Energy Community Secretariat

• gas storages should be specifically monitored to prevent risks for the security of natural gas supply



On December 13, 2022 the Law of Ukraine on the certification of Gas Storage Operator was passed to implement the Gas Storage Regulation

- NEURC is empowered to certificate the Gas Storage Operator according to the established Procedure
- The Ministry of Energy shell define the target level of gas storage filling and the filling trajectory



On January 24, 2023 the Procedure for the certification of the Gas Storage Operator was approved by NEURC



CERTIFICATION PROCEDURE

On **January 27**, 2023 Ukrtransgaz, Ukrainian Gas Storage Operator, **submitted** to NEURC an official **request for certification**



The Regulator adopts a **preliminary decision** on certification



The Regulator submits the preliminary decision to the Energy Community Secretariat

Energy Community Secretariat's Opinion on the Regulator's preliminary certification decision



The Regulator adopts a **final decision on certification**

DECISION ON CERTIFICATION

A PRELIMINARY DECISION ON CERTIFICATION

Certification decision

The applicant fully complies with the certification requirements

Conditional certification decision

The Regulator determines conditions the applicant has to fulfill within a specified period

Certification denial

The applicant doesn't comply with the certification requirements



To make the preliminary and final decision, the Regulator analyzes:

- ownership relations
- natural gas supply and other business relations of the Gas Storage
 Operator
- the rights and obligations of Ukraine and the Energy Community in relation to countries which are not Energy Community Contracting Parties
- other facts and circumstances that have or may have significance for the safety of natural gas supply



CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS COMPLIANCE MONITORING

The Regulator shall continuously monitor Gas Storage Operator as regards compliance with the requirements on prevention of risk for the security of natural gas supply



The Regulator analyzes:

 notifications from the Gas Storage Operator about changes in the information and documents attached to the Certification Request

• the Operator's reports on compliance with the requirements on prevention of risk for the security of natural gas supply

- Compliance Programs' performance reports
- information and documents from other parties
- the filling trajectory fulfilment (monthly)



The Regulator conducts inspections in cases:

- notification of the Operator about the intention to put a new gas storage facility into operation or another planned activities
- on it's own initiative if there is a reasonable assumption that a change in ownership or control over the Gas Storage Operator is planned
- justified request from the Energy Community Secretariat





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