

Today, the Energy Community Secretariat published its Opinion on the certification of the Serbian electricity transmission system operator Elektromreza Srbije (EMS) under the Third Energy Package. In its Opinion, the Secretariat considers that EMS can currently not be certified as envisaged by the Preliminary Decision of the Serbian regulatory authority (AERS). This is because EMS is currently not unbundled in line with the ownership unbundling model as required by Article 9 of the Electricity Directive and it is still controlled directly by the Government, the representative of state ownership in both EMS and EPS, as well as in Srbijagas.

As required under Articles 10 and 11 of Directive 2009/73/EC and Article 3 of Regulation (EC) 715/2009, AERS is to adopt a final certification decision, taking utmost account of the opinion of the Secretariat.

In its Opinion, the Secretariat took into account the Opinion issued by the Energy Community Regulatory Board.

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