



**REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA**  
**-COMPETITION AUTHORITY-**  
**Competition Commission**

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**D E C I S I O N**

**No. 60, Dated 12. 11. 2007**

**On Launching of an General Investigation in the Energy Sector”**

Pursuant to Article 24, letter “d”, and Article 41 of Law No. 9121, dated 28.07.2003, titled “On Protection of Competition”, the Competition Commission, upon reviewing the information provided by the Secretariat of the Competition Authority, based on the monitoring of the energy market in relation to potential restrictions or distortions of competition in this market,

**NOTED THAT:**

The energy market in Albania is very essential to the development of the national economy.

An effective competition in this market would have positive impact on the increase of the efficiency of the use of energy resources, distribution and consumption, since it would minimize costs and produce an increase in investments for more efficient resources, besides enhancing the transparency of the actors in the market. Furthermore, a higher level of competition in this market would bring about an improvement of the living standard of the Albanian consumers.

The monitoring of several submarkets, conducted at various periods of time by the Secretariat of the Competition Authority, has indicated signs of restriction and distortion of competition in the market.

In addition, the consumers, the public opinion and the public institutions have expressed a continuous and growing concern for various events, which indicate restriction and distortion of competitive behaviour of the undertakings operating in the energy market.

**FOR THE ABOVE REASONS:**

Pursuant to Article 24, letter “d”, and Article 41 of Law No. 9121, dated 28.07.2003, titled “On Protection of Competition”, the Competition Commission,

**DECIDED:**

1. The launching of a general investigation in the energy market and its submarkets, i.e. fuel market, liquid gases market and electric energy market, to determine if competition in these markets is being restricted or distorted.

2. The Secretary General is in charge to create the Working Group, to follow the General Investigation procedure and to prepare the Final Report on the energy market.
3. This decision enters immediately into effect.

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