Comments of CEZ, a. s. to Regulation (EC) 1228/2003 Compliance Monitoring and annexed Congestion Management Guidelines - Second Report, 2008 Public Consultation

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I. Introduction

CEZ, a. s. (hereinafter referred to as "CEZ") welcomes the opportunity given by the ERGEG & CEER to all interested parties to comment the text containing 1228/2003 EC Regulation Compliance Monitoring and annexed Congestion Management Guidelines Second Report within the Public Consultation process.

In this paper CEZ has specified some issues that could be addressed in this regard.

II. Specific comments of CEZ

We welcome the effort of CEER and ERGEG in the direction of creating the proper framework for practical progress towards an integrated energy market. Especially TSOs play the decisive role in the process of market development, system development including cross-border interconnectors investments which are the necessary (but not sufficient at all) conditions for the proper market functioning. Nonetheless other issues are also of great importance, e.g. EU – non EU regional contacts.

There also exist certain limits in the regional co-operation like unharmonised market models, different approaches to RES policies and cross-border transmission functions. These issues are to be tackled as well.

We gave detailed answers to the questions in the consultation paper from the last year as can be seen in the evaluating tables in the report. We carefully follow the whole process and are open to further co-operation.