

**RULES AND CRITERIA**  
for reducing the number of Candidates to be invited to submit tenders

When the Candidates meeting the preliminary selection criteria are more than 5 (five), the present Rules and criteria for reducing the number of Candidates to be invited to submit tenders shall apply.

**I. Criteria for assessment of the Candidates**

**Table 1**

No	Criteria for assessment	Indicators
1.	Activities carried out for the last 8 (eight) years as of the date of submission of the Request for participation:	<p><b>1.1. CTP</b> – construction of an onshore gas pipeline<sup>1</sup> and block valve stations, with diameter of the pipeline not less than DN 600, operating pressure not less than 5,4 MPa and length not less than 100 km commissioned or accepted by the client.</p> <p>The Candidates shall be assessed on the basis of the length of the pipeline(s) in meters.</p> <p><i>(II.1., Formula 1)</i></p>
		<p><b>1.2. GMRS</b> – engineering, procurement and construction of gas metering station(s) and gas regulating station(s) with a capacity not less than 150 000 Nm<sup>3</sup>/h commissioned or accepted by the client.</p> <p>The Candidates shall be assessed on the basis of the number of stations.</p> <p><i>(II.2., Formula 2)</i></p>
		<p><b>1.3. HDD</b> – construction of crossing(s) for steel pipelines with diameter of the pipe at least DN 600 using horizontal directional drilling (HDD) technology with a length of the crossing/at least one of the crossings not less than 1000 m, which pipeline has been commissioned or accepted by the client.</p> <p>The Candidates shall be assessed on the basis of the length of the crossing(s) performed using an HDD.</p> <p><i>(II.3., Formula 3)</i></p>

<sup>1</sup> By "construction of an onshore gas pipeline" is meant construction of a new gas pipeline or replacement of pipe part of existing pipeline made of steel pipes of welding with underground installation, including construction of crossings. The scope of activities shall include engineering, procurement of equipment and materials, construction, training of staff and commissioning of the gas pipeline.

<b>2.</b>	Turnover in the field, falling within the scope of the Public procurement	<p><b>ST</b> - Minimum turnover in the field, falling within the scope of the procurement<sup>2</sup>, for the last three financial years (2015, 2016 and 2017) depending on the date on which the Candidate was incorporated or commenced its activity, calculated on the basis of the annual turnovers in the amount of EURO 150 000 000 (one hundred and fifty millions).</p> <p>The Candidates shall be assessed on the basis of the amount in EURO.</p> <p><i>(II.4., Formula 4)</i></p>
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**II. Rules for assessment under each of the indicators**

- The assessment under indicator CTP (ECTP) shall be carried out through calculation of the ratio between the total length of onshore gas pipeline(s) constructed by the n<sup>th</sup> Candidate and commissioned or accepted by the client, and the greatest total length of onshore gas pipeline(s) constructed by one of the Candidates and commissioned or accepted by the client, multiplied by coefficient 55 according to Formula 1:

*(Formula 1)*

$$ECTP_n = \frac{CTP_n}{CTP_{max}} \times 55, \quad \text{where:}$$

**ECTP<sub>n</sub>** is the assessment of the n<sup>th</sup> Candidate under indicator **CTP**;

**CTP<sub>n</sub>** is the total length of onshore gas pipeline(s) constructed by the n<sup>th</sup> Candidate and commissioned or accepted by the client (in meters);

**CTP<sub>max</sub>** is the greatest total length of onshore gas pipeline(s) constructed by one of the Candidates and commissioned or accepted by the client (in meters).

**The coefficient 55** reflects the relative weighting of the indicator in the final assessment.

- The assessment under indicator GMRS (EGMRS) shall be carried out through calculation of the ratio between the total number of gas metering and gas regulating stations engineered, procured and constructed by the n<sup>th</sup> Candidate and commissioned or accepted by the client, and the largest total number of gas metering and gas regulating stations engineered, procured and constructed by one of the Candidates and commissioned or accepted by the client, multiplied by coefficient 10 according to Formula 2:

*(Formula 2)*

$$EGMRS_n = \frac{GMRS_n}{GMRS_{max}} \times 10, \quad \text{where:}$$

**EGMRS<sub>n</sub>** is the assessment of the n<sup>th</sup> Candidate under indicator **GMRS**;

**GMRS<sub>n</sub>** is the total number of gas metering and gas regulating stations engineered, procured and constructed by the n<sup>th</sup> Candidate and commissioned or accepted by the client;

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<sup>2</sup> "Turnover in the field falling within the scope of the Public procurement" is a sum equal to the part of the net revenues from sales, realized from activity falling within the scope of the public procurement (§2, of the Additional provisions of the PPA). Activities falling within the scope of the Public procurement are (i) engineering, procurement of equipment and materials, construction, staff training and commissioning of an onshore gas pipeline, and (ii) engineering, procurement and construction of gas metering station(s) and gas regulating station(s) commissioned or accepted by the client.

**GMRS<sub>max</sub>** is the largest total number of gas metering and gas regulating stations engineered, procured and constructed by one of the Candidates and commissioned or accepted by the client.

**The coefficient 10** reflects the relative weighting of the indicator in the final assessment.

- The assessment under indicator HDD (EHDD) shall be carried out through the calculation of the ratio between the total length of the crossing(s) for steel pipelines commissioned or accepted by the client, performed by the n<sup>th</sup> Candidate using an HDD and the greatest total length of the crossing(s) for steel pipelines commissioned or accepted by the client, performed by one of the Candidates, multiplied by coefficient 15 according to Formula 3:

(Formula 3)

$$EHDD_n = \frac{HDD_n}{HDD_{max}} \times 15 \quad \text{where:}$$

**EHDD<sub>n</sub>** is the assessment of the n<sup>th</sup> Candidate under indicator **HDD**;

**HDD<sub>n</sub>** is the total length of crossing(s) for steel pipelines commissioned or accepted by the client, performed by the n<sup>th</sup> Candidate (in meters);

**HDD<sub>max</sub>** is the greatest total length of the crossing(s) for steel pipelines commissioned or accepted by the client, performed by one of the Candidates (in meters).

**The coefficient 15** reflects the relative weighting of the indicator in the final assessment.

- The assessment under indicator ST (EST) shall be carried out through calculation of the ratio between the amount of the turnover in the field falling within the scope of the Public procurement of the n<sup>th</sup> Candidate (in EURO), and twice the amount of the minimum turnover in the field falling within the scope of the Public procurement (in EURO), specified in Appendix No 7 – Selection criteria, according to Formula 4:

(Formula 4)

$$R1 = \frac{ST_n}{300\,000\,000},$$

The value of **EST<sub>n</sub>** will be determined in accordance with Table 1:

**Table 2**

R1 value	EST <sub>n</sub>
Less than 1,00	0
Greater or equal to 1,00 but less than 1,25	10
Greater or equal to 1,25 but less than 1,50	15
Greater or equal to 1,50	20

where:

**EST<sub>n</sub>** is the assessment of the n<sup>th</sup> Candidate under indicator **ST**;

**ST<sub>n</sub>** is the amount of the turnover in the field falling within the scope of the procurement of the n<sup>th</sup> Candidate (in EURO)

### III. Determination of the final assessment (E) and ranking of the Candidates

- The number of points received by each Candidate for each of the 4 (four) indicators shall be added according to Formula 5:

*(Formula 5)*

$$E_n = ECTP_n + EGMRS_n + EHDD_n + EST_n$$

The maximum number of points in the final assessment, which a Candidate can receive, is 100.

2. The Candidates shall be ranked in descending order according to the number of points received in the final assessment. Invitations for submission of tenders shall be sent to the five highest scoring Candidates. In case that two or more Candidates among those with the highest number of points have received equal number of points, invitations shall be sent to all of the said Candidates.