

REPUBLIC OF ALBANIA MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND INDUSTRY THE MINISTER

ORDER

NR.132, **DATE** 15.05.2015

ON INITIATING PROCEDURES TO ENTER INTO HYDROCARBON AGREEMENTS

Pursuant to article 102 of the Constitution, article 9 of law Nr.7746. dated 28.07.1993 "For hydrocarbon (exploration and production), amended, DCM nr.335, dated 22.04.2015 "For some changes made to the Decision nr.279, date 12.04.2012, of the Council of Ministers "For the approval of the list of objects of hydrocarbon operations, belonging to the agreement signed on 26.07.1993, between the Ministry of Industry (MEI), Mineral Resources and Energy (now Ministry of Energy and Industry) and Albpetrol, the Economic Union of Oil and Gas (now "Albpetrol" sh.a") and for the implementation of the fundamental objective for attracting foreign or local investments, in the exploration field for oil and gas in the Republic of Albania territory, in particular for Free Exploration blocks, as well as to guarantee an open, transparent, competitive procedure.

I ORDER:

- 1. AKBN to immediately publish in its official website the map of free blocks for exploration in the territory of the Albanian Republic and the application form. This publication must also include the deadline for the application for blocks Joni-5 (offshore), Rodoni (offshore), Panaja and Block C, which is until 25.06.2015.
- 2. The documents that will be published shall be sent through official means to MEI and a copy of these documents will have to be sent in MEI's electronic mail address. MEI will publish these documents in its official website.
- 3. Pursuant to the stipulations of point 2, of the "Regulation for approval procedures of hydrocarbon agreements and agreements license, and respective deadlines", amended, a negotiating group shall be created for drafting the Basic Terms and Conditions of the Hydrocarbon Agreement. Mr. Ilia Gjermani, shall be the representative of MEI in this group.
- 4. AKBN and the Directorate of Policies and Development of Hydrocarbons are responsible for executing this Order.

This Order comes into force right away.

MINISTER

DAMIAN GJIKNURI