

RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES RECEIVED SUBSIDIES OF OVER 9 BILLION CZECH CROWNS IN THE SECOND QUARTER OF 2013

Overall 26 903 renewable energy sources produced 2 943 776 MWh of power volume in the second quarter of this year and their owners received subventions of 9.5 billion Czech crowns in total. Subventions are provided and paid out to power producers by OTE through the information system CS OTE.

According to last OTE information the production of renewable energy sources was 4,078,608 MWh in first half of 2013. This renewable energy volume gained state subsidies of 14.4 billion Czech crowns in total. State subsidies are granted by law for the production of solar, wind, hydro and biogas sources and for the combined systems of power and heat production. OTE is monitoring the renewable power sources production on monthly bases.

„OTE keeps evidence about the volume of power production based on data inserted to CS OTE central information system by power producers. Comparing Q1 and Q2 of 2013 the power production from renewable sources grew about two and half times”, says **Jiří Kubizňák, Head of the OTE’s Renewable Energy Sources Department.**

OTE’s statistics for renewable energy for Q1 and Q2 of 2013

	1 Q 2013	2 Q 2013
Number of power sources	27 437	26 903
Number of registered producers	19 730	22 360
Production in MWh	1 134 832 MWh	2 943 776 MWh
Total state subsidies/subventions	4 912 227 000 CZK	9 505 234 252 CZK

Source: OTE a.s. based to information system CS OTE to 30.6.2013

„Power producers insert data of their production into CS OTE information system each month. Based on this data subsidies are granted and paid out them. This applies for producers of renewable power sources, high-efficiency combined power and heat production and for decentralized electricity generation. According to available information from producers, I can say that all paid out subventions this year were transferred to accounts in Czech financial institutions and to subjects under Czech license.” explains **Jiří Šťastný, Chairman of the Board** about the current system for subsidy receiving’s.

State subsidies are varying each year (applies for “green bonus” as well for “the granted purchase price”) and they are determined by Energy regulatory office Price decision (act) no.4/2012 for 2013, which specifies amounts of subvention for all power source types.

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