

PROVISION OF INFORMATION UNDER ACT NO. 106/1999 COLL., ON FREE ACCESS TO INFORMATION

OTE fully adheres to the principles of transparency and openness and publishes information about its activities on its publicly accessible website <u>www.ote-cr.cz</u>. In the event of a request for information from any natural or legal person, a written request for information may be sent to OTE via the postal services provider, the electronic registrar ID: azefhvx or general e-mail box of <u>ote@ote-cr.cz</u>. No model forms are provided by OTE for the purpose of submission of a request for information under Act No. 106/1999 Coll., on Free Access to Information, as amended (hereinafter referred to also as the "Act No. 106/1999 Coll."), where OTE examines each received request for information according to its actual content. However, it must be clear from the request for information what information is requested by the applicant. The request for information must also include the contact details of the applicant.

Actions of OTE regarding the provision of information under the Act No. 106/1999 Coll. are based on the judgment of the Constitutional Court of 2 April 2019, case No. II. ÚS 618/18, according to which OTE is a person legally bound by the duty to provide information under the Act No. 106/1999 Coll. However, this fact does not affect the statutory obligations of OTE to ensure the protection of protected information under Act No. 458/2000 Coll., on business conditions and public administration in the energy sectors and amending certain laws (the Energy Act), as amended, and trade secrets under Act No. 89/2012 Coll., the Civil Code, as amended and related legislation.

With regard to the obligation to provide information on the provision of data and processed requests for information under Act No. 106/1999 Coll. in the annual report, OTE provides the following mandatory information:

OTE have processed throughout the year of 2021 a total of seven requests for information submitted pursuant to the Act No. 106/1999 Coll. Five of the previously stated requests for information were fully granted regarding the subject matter of these requests, one request for information did not primarily fall within the scope of statutory obligations and activities of OTE, where the respective applicant was provided with the general information, and the applicant of seventh request for information was with regard to the extensive scope of requested information and data required under § 17 paragraph 3 of the Act No. 106/1999 Coll., to cover the necessary costs incurred in connection with the search for and provision of the requested information and data.

The rejection of respective requests for information submitted during the previous year of 2020 was challenged neither under the Act No. 106/1999 Coll. nor in court proceedings. There was also no legal proceeding in 2020 and 2021 concerning requests for information rejected by OTE in the previous years. Furthermore, OTE, for the sake of completeness, declares that during 2021 there was

no complaint regarding OTE's procedure in handling requests for information or other complaints, nor was any license for the provided information granted.

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