

Information on issuing electronic guarantees of origin of electricity from renewable sources

Each electricity producer (hereinafter “Producer”) is required by law to register with the Market Operator within 30 days after being awarded a licence for electricity production, pursuant to Section 23 of Act No. 458/2000 Coll. (Energy Act). The registration can be carried out by filling in an electronic form: Žádost o registraci Účastníka trhu RÚT (Application for Registration of a Registered Market Participant), Electronic Form A, available on the website of OTE, a.s. in the section “Registration and Agreements”/“Registration of Market Participants”, and by submitting it via OTE’s automated system or, alternatively, as an e-mail attachment sent to the Department of Contractual Relations at: registrace@ote-cr.cz. The Department is prepared to provide more detailed information, if necessary.

Pursuant to Act No. 165/2012 Coll., guarantees of origin are issued solely for the actually produced volume of electricity metered at the point of transfer of the production facility for the past period for which the guarantee is required. Therefore, guarantees of origin can be provided only retroactively, based on the actually produced electricity. It is not possible to issue any such guarantee for future production.

Producers may apply for issuing guarantees of origin of electricity from renewable sources by filling in an electronic form: Žádost o záruku původu elektřiny z obnovitelných zdrojů (Application for a Guarantee of Origin of Electricity from Renewable Sources) that can be downloaded from the website of OTE, a.s. in the section “Registration and Agreements” – “Application for a Guarantee of Origin”. The applicant shall fill out the application form or, in the event of more production facilities, a MS Excel template that is submitted with the form.

In the event the local validation process encounters some invalid or incorrectly filled fields, it will mark them in orange for the applicant to be filled in or amended. If the application passes the local validation process, it is forwarded to CS OTE for further processing. The CS OTE system checks the data in the application form and notifies the contact person listed in the application form via an e-mail message whether the application was approved/rejected. If approved, the Producer prints out the application attached to the email in a PDF format, signs and stamps it and mails it to the following address: OTE, a. s., Sokolovská 192/79, 186 00 Praha 8 – Karlín, or e-mails a scanned version of the signed application to: zaruka@ote-cr.cz.

On receipt of the application, OTE shall pass it on to the respective distribution operator for approval. If granted, it shall issue a guarantee of origin with an electronic signature and sends it to the contact person’s e-mail listed in the application form as a PDF attachment. In the event the respective distribution system operator does not approve the application, the producer is notified about rejection of the application.

If the facility/production is connected to the transmission system network, or the Producer has not applied for subsidy and has not entered into an agreement with the distribution system operator on the provision of a contribution for electricity from renewable sources, it will list “PPS” as distribution system operator. In such case the distribution system operator does not verify the application and the guarantee of origin is issued on the basis of values metered at the respective point of transfer of the production facility. Alternatively, it is required to enclose with an application for issuing a guarantee of origin a filled and signed Month’s Report on Production of Electricity from Renewable Sources, pursuant to Decree No. 502/2005 Coll. The Market Operator cannot issue the guarantee of origin if these requirements are not met.