Annex 16 to the harmonised Allocation Rules for Forward Capacity Allocation

Border specific annex for the border Estonia-Latvia

Article 1
Subject-matter and scope

1. In accordance with Article 4 of the Allocation Rules regional or border specificities may be introduced for one or more Bidding Zone borders. This Annex applies to the border Estonia-Latvia.

2. The provisions of the Allocation Rules for Forward Capacity Allocation are applicable to Estonian–Latvian border to the extent they do not contradict to this Annex. For the avoidance of doubt, Article 2 and Article 3 of this Annex explicitly stipulate Articles of the Allocation Rules which are not applicable to Estonian–Latvian border or from which this Annex deviate. The list of these Articles of the Allocation Rules referred to in Article 2 and Article 3 of this Annex shall not be regarded as exhaustive.

Article 2
Articles of Allocation Rules not applicable for Estonia–Latvia border

1. The following Articles of Allocation Rules are not applicable for Estonian–Latvian border: Art. 11, Art. 33, Art 35(3, 5b, 5c, 5d), Art. 36(3d); Art. 38 – 40; Art. 41-44, Art. 46, Art 49(1b, 1c); Art 53-54; Art 57(8, 9), Art. 59, Art 61(2), Art. 64(3-5), Art 66 (3b, 3c, 5a).

Article 3
Articles of Allocation Rules which deviate for Estonia–Latvia border

1. In deviation to Art. 2 (2); Art. 10 (1), Art. 28 (1); Art. 31 (1), Art. 34 (6c), Art. 35 (5a); Art. 48; Art. 56 (1); Art. 64 (1); Art. 66 (1, 2, 3a) and Art. 71 (4) of the Allocation Rules, the following border specific rules (Border Rules, as defined in Article 3 Paragraph 2 of this document) as further describer in Article 3 are applied to the Estonian-Latvian border.

2. (Article 2 (2)) The capitalised terms used in this Annex are defined in the harmonised Allocation Rules to which this Annex is attached unless otherwise specified below:

Allocation Platform in respect of Estonian-Latvian border is the body which performs Estonia–Latvia border PTR – limited Auction services on behalf of Elering and AST. Functions of the Allocation Platform are performed by a designated Allocation Platform agreed by Elering
and AST on the basis of a bilateral agreement between Elering and AST.

**AST**
AS “Augstsprieguma tīkls”, Latvian TSO.

**Auction Timeframe**
is the Month, Quarter or Year for which a particular Auction is being held.

**Auction Capacity**
is the maximum volume of the capacity expressed in MW for which Estonia – Latvia border PTR-limited are made available for Bidding by Allocation Platform in the course of an Auction and which is announced by the Auction Specification; the auction capacity is firm with the exception for the case of Force Majeure.

**Bid Sheet**
is a document prepared in the form stipulated in the Auction Specification, in which the Participant indicates its Bid(s) in accordance with these Border Rules.

**Border Rules**

**Estonia – Latvia border PTR-limited**
is a limited physical transmission right jointly issued by Elering and AST based on the Auction Capacity and subject to the redemption (sellback) obligation which is automatically attributed to a Estonia – Latvia border PTR-limited and to which the conditions of “Financial Transmission Rights Option” apply. Estonia – Latvia border PTR-limited is denominated in MW with the precision of up to 1/10 MW (one tenth of a MW); 1 Estonia – Latvia border PTR-limited corresponds in terms of its economic value to the auctioned Auction Capacity for a period of 1 hour in the volume of 1 MW. Estonia – Latvia border PTR-limited shall not at any time give a right to the Registered Participant to use the auctioned Auction Capacity for physical transfer of the electricity. Estonia – Latvia border PTR-limited is issued and allocated in dematerialized form in accordance with these Border Rules and shall not be registered in any register of securities or financial instruments. The Estonia – Latvia border PTR-limited is not transferrable and may not be pledged or encumbered in any other way.

**Closing Date**
is the last date of the Bidding Period of an Auction.

**Elspot**
is a day-ahead implicit auction market where electricity and transmission capacity is traded for the delivery during the next day, operated by NPS.

**NPS**
is Nord Pool Spot AS, the operator of the day-ahead and intraday electricity market in Estonia and Latvia and in the entire Nordic/Baltic region.
Month is a calendar month, i.e. the period starting at 00:00:00 CET of the first day of a calendar month and ending at 23:59:59 CET of the last day of the same calendar month.

Registered Participant is a company which: (1) has obtained the rights to trade electricity in Estonian, Latvian and/or Lithuanian Bidding Zones; and (2) is a member on the NPS trading platform; and (3) is registered as a Registered Participant by Allocation Platform in accordance with these Border Rules.

Redemption Price is the amount payable by the Allocation Platform for the redemption of one Estonia – Latvia border PTR – limited allocated to a Registered Participant. The Redemption Price is equal to the price difference between the Estonian and Latvian bidding areas of NPS at the Elspot market in the direction Estonia to Latvia for the respective hour of the respective day during the respective Month, Quarter or Year of the respective Auction Timeframe.

Quarter is a period of three Month, i.e. the period starting at 00:00:00 CET of the first day of the first Month and ending at 23:59:59 CET of the last day of the third Month.

Year is a calendar year, i.e. the period starting at 00:00:00 CET of the first day of a calendar year and ending at 23:59:59 CET of the last day of the same calendar year.

3. The Estonia – Latvia border PTRs-limited (as defined in Article 3 Paragraph 2 of this document) may be acquired at the Auctions by the Registered Participants only. In order to be eligible to participate in the Auctions, a Registered Participant must correspond to the conditions stated in the definition of a “Registered Participant”, including being registered with Allocation Platform in accordance with these Border Rules, and must provide the Allocation Platform with the Collateral according to the terms specified in these Border Rules.

4. (Article 10(1)) By the signature of the Participation Agreement the Registered Participant warrants, in addition, that:

(a) It has acquired rights to trade electricity in the Estonian, Latvian and/or Lithuanian Bidding Zones of the NPS Elspot trading platform.

5. (Article 28(1)) The standard Forward Capacity Allocation timeframes, subject to product availability, are defined as follows – Auction Timeframe(s):

(a) yearly timeframe: it starts on the first day and ends on the last day of a calendar year; (Year - is a calendar year, i.e. the period starting at 00:00:00 CET of the first day of a calendar year and ending at 23:59:59 CET of the last day of the same calendar year)

(b) quarterly timeframe: it starts on the first day and ends on the last day of a quarter (3 month) (Quarter - is a period of three Month, i.e. the period starting at 00:00:00
CET of the first day of the first Month and ending at 23:59:59 CET of the last day of the third Month); and

(c) monthly timeframe: it starts on the first day and ends on the last day of a calendar month (Month - is a calendar month, i.e. the period starting at 00:00:00 CET of the first day of a calendar month and ending at 23:59:59 CET of the last day of the same calendar month).

6. (Article 31 (1)) The Registered Participant shall submit a Bid or set of Bids to the Allocation Platform, in addition, in accordance with following requirements:

(a) it shall be submitted in format required by the Allocation Platform electronically using the Auction Tool or in a password protected encrypted Bid Sheet and during the Bidding Period as specified in the Auction Specification;

(b) maximum volume of one Bid per Participant is 33% of the Auction Capacity and maximum volume for the sum of all Bids per Registered Participant may not exceed Auction Capacity.

7. (Article 34(6c)) in respect of Estonia – Latvia border PTRs-limited with a Product Period of one (1) or more months, one (1) monthly instalments should be secured in compliance with due amount calculation according to Article 64.

8. (Article 35(5a)) The Auction Capacity available for the Bids, which set the Marginal Price shall be divided between the number of the Registered Participants which submitted these Bids proportionally to their Bid Quantity;

9. (Articles 48) In the result of an Auction, the Parties shall have mutual claims arising in connection with the issued Estonia – Latvia border PTRs-limited in accordance with Border Rules: a Registered Participant shall be obliged to pay the Marginal Price to Allocation Platform regarding each Estonia – Latvia border PTR-limited allocated to the respective Registered Participant, and Allocation Platform shall be obliged to pay the Redemption Price to a Registered Participant regarding each Estonia – Latvia border PTR-limited allocated to the respective Registered Participant. Such mutual claims shall be settled by the way of set-off of claims:

(a) Allocation Platform shall pay to the Registered Participant the difference between the Marginal Price and the Redemption Price, if the Redemption Price is higher than the Marginal Price; or

(b) The Registered Participant shall pay to the Allocation Platform the difference between the Redemption Price and the Marginal Price, if the Marginal Price is higher than the Redemption Price; or

(c) The Registered Participant shall pay to the Allocation Platform the whole Marginal Price, if the Redemption Price is 0 EUR (zero euros); or

(d) None of the Parties shall pay to each other, if the Redemption Price and the Marginal Price is equal.

10. (Article 56 (1)) Long Term Transmission Rights irrespectively of the Product Period may be curtailed only in the event of Force Majeure.
11. (Article 64 (1)) The amount due equals with the net mutual claims (as set in Article 3 Paragraph 9 of this document) and shall be automatically set off as at the last date of each Month of each Auction Timeframe, irrespective of the date of the notice of set-off.

12. (Article 66 (1)) Within 5 business days after the end of each Month of each Auction Timeframe, Allocation Platform shall send to a Registered Participant holding allocated Estonia – Latvia border PTR-limited for such an Auction Timeframe an overview of the mutual claims of the Parties as of the last day of that Month and a notice of set-off of the claims to the greatest possible extent, indicating the outstanding claim of either Party.

13. (Article 66 (2)) A Party who has the outstanding claim against the other Party after the set-off of mutual claims in accordance with Paragraph 9 and 12 of the Border Rules shall promptly issue an invoice to the other Party for the outstanding balance.

14. (Article 66 (3a)) the amount of the outstanding claim as set forth in Paragraph 12 of the Border Rules;

15. (Article 71 (4)) If Parties fail to settle a dispute amicably the dispute shall be resolved in the Estonia Harju County Court.

Article 4
Entry into force

1. This Annex is effective at the date of entry into force of the Allocation Rules subject to a regulatory approval.