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Subject: SA.62262 (2021/N) - RRF- Digital transformation and development of information systems and real-time systems of Elektroenergien Sistemen Operator (ESO EAD) in low-carbon energy conditions

Dear Madam/Sir,

We thank you for the notification your authorities submitted on 9th March 2021.

In your letter, you confirm that the project, which consists in a grant for the Electricity Transmission system operator (TSO) for improving its infrastructure, has for main goal the modernisation of the network to integrate more renewables. We therefore understand that the construction and operation of such an infrastructure is subject to the legal or natural monopoly of the TSO.

On the basis of the information provided and after careful examination of the elements in this case, the Commission services confirm your assessment that the project notified is not state aid in the sense of article 107.1 of the TFEU, in line with the guidance provided by the Commission in the Analytical Grid for Energy Infrastructure . On this basis, we kindly invite you to withdraw the notification.

Please note that the Commission services cannot exclude the possibility of a new examination of the file if new divergent information put this conclusion in question. Therefore, this letter is without prejudice to any future decision that the Commission may take in case in view of new available and contradicting information.

Yours faithfully,

(e-signed)

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