NOTIFICATION OF MEMBER STATES' MEASURES AND METHODS FOR IMPLEMENTING ARTICLE 7 OF DIRECTIVE 2012/27/EU [AS AMENDED IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROPOSAL COM(2016) 761]

The Republic of Croatia, in line with item 5 of Annex V to Directive 2012/27/EU, notifies the Commission on the proposed methodology for the operation of the energy efficiency obligations scheme and on alternative policy measures under Articles 7a and 7b, and Article 20, paragraph 6 of this Directive.

Important note: Please note that the notification is only indicative, and that, during 2019, it will be amended according to the final text of the amended Directive 2012/27/EU, final amendments to the Energy Efficiency Act (currently under parliamentary procedure) and new data on energy consumption and achieved savings at least for 2017.

- 1. The calculation of the level of prescribed energy savings to be achieved over whole period from 1st January 2021 to 31st December 2030, showing how the following elements are taken into consideration:
 - (a) the annual energy sales according to the amount sold to end users of all energy distributors or to all companies for retail energy sale according to the average value for the last three years (2016, 2017, 2018) before 1st January 2019. [in ktoe];

The last year for which the energy balance for Croatia is available is 2016, so the calculation is based on data from 2014, 2015 and 2016.

	2014	2015	2016		
FINAL ENERGY CONSUMPTION [ktoe]	6,222.89	6,546.29	6,618.90		
Industry	970.43	965.42	962.55		
Transport	2,018.96	2,110.92	2,166.57		
Households	2,233.45	2,425.48	2,405.18		
Services	669.01	734.21	754.51		
Agriculture	231.68	230.25	233.59		
Civil engineering	99.36	99.36	96.73		
AVERAGE [ktoe]	6,462.6				

(b) amount of sold energy used in transport, excluded from the calculation [in ktoe]

	2014	2015	2016
Transport	2,018.96	2,110.92	2,166.57
AVERAGE [ktoe]			2,098.82

(c) amount of energy produced for own needs, excluded from the calculation [in ktoe]

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	2014	2015	2016
Renewable energy sources	12.90	14.57	15.29
AVERAGE [ktoe]			14.25

(d) the sources used in calculating data on sold energy, including a justification of the use of alternative statistical sources and possible differences in terms of calculated quantities (if sources other than Eurostat are used)

The data indicated above are taken from the annual energy reports "Energy in Croatia" for 2014, 2015 and 2016. The reports, *inter alia*, contain energy balances prepared according to the EUROSTAT method. All the reports are available from the website of the Ministry of Environment and Energy: <u>https://mzoe.hr/hr/energetika/energetska-politika-i-planiranje.html</u>

(e) cumulative amount of energy savings to be achieved in the period from 1st January 2021 until 31st December 2030 (before the exception under item 2) [in ktoe]

Basis for t	arget cal	culatio	n (a)-(b))-(c) [kt	oe]		-				4,349.62
Annual											
savings	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	
[ktoe]											
2021	34.80										34.80
2022	34.80	34.80									69.59
2023	34.80	34.80	34.80								104.39
2024	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80							139.19
2025	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80						173.98
2026	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80					208.78
2027	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80				243.58
2028	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80			278.38
2029	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80		313.17
2030	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	34.80	347.97
TOTAL CU	MULATI		GET FO	OR THE	PERIO	D 2021	- 2030	[ktoe]	1	1	1,913.83
TOTAL CU	TOTAL CUMULATIVE TARGET FOR THE PERIOD 2021 – 2030 [PJ]										80.13
Annual sav	vings [P.	ןן									1.46

- (f) application of exceptions (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) from Article 7, paragraphs 2 and 3 of the Directive 2012/27/EU:
 - (i) the amount of sold energy used in industrial activities [in ktoe] indicated in Annex I to Directive 2003/87/EC, which is excluded from the calculation in line with item (b)

	2014	2015	2016
EU ETS plants	712.79	644.70	703.49
AVERAGE [ktoe]			686.99
New basis for target calculation [ktoe]			3,662.63

The calculation of the cumulative savings target with the application of this exception is shown in the table below.

Basis for t	Basis for target calculation (a)-(b)-(c) [ktoe]											
Annual												
savings	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%		
[ktoe]												
2021	29.30										29.30	
2022	29.30	29.30									58.60	
2023	29.30	29.30	29.30								87.90	
2024	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30							117.20	
2025	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30						146.51	
2026	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30					175.81	
2027	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30				205.11	

2028	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30			234.41
2029	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30		263.71
2030	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	29.30	293.01
TOTAL CU	MULATI	VE GOA	L FOR	THE PE	ERIOD 2	2021 – 2	2030 [kt	oe]			1,611.56
TOTAL CUMULATIVE GOAL FOR THE PERIOD 2021 – 2030 [PJ]											67.47
Annual savings [PJ]										1.23	

(ii) amount of energy savings [in ktoe] achieved in energy transformation, distribution and transmission sectors in line with item (c)

According to the assessment of the Croatian Energy Regulatory Agency (HERA), based on the measures indicated in ten-year transmission and distribution network development plans, the potential for increasing the energy efficiency of the electricity infrastructure in the period 2016 - 2025 is 51 GWh per year on the average for the transmission network and 25 GWh per year for the distribution network. Taking into consideration that the implementation of the measures is planned in the period between 2021 and 2025, the expected amount of cumulative savings in that period is 1,140 GWh, i.e. 98.02 ktoe (4.10 PJ). Taking into account the effect of these measures up to 2030, **the total amount of cumulative savings will be 3,040 GWh**, **i.e. 261.39 ktoe (10.94 PJ)**.

 (iii) amount of energy savings [in ktoe] resulting from individual actions newly implemented since 31st December 2008 that continue to have an impact in 2020 and beyond and in line with item (d)

The measures whose implementation started in Croatia based on the 3rd National Energy Efficiency Action Plan for the period 2014 to 2016, and which will, considering their lifetime, continue to produce impacts also in the period until 2030 are the building energy renovation programmes (for multi-apartment buildings, single family houses, public sector buildings and commercial buildings) and public lighting. Those measures' lifetime is 20 years for buildings and 15 years for public lighting in accordance with the Ordinance on the system for monitoring, measurement and verification of energy savings (OG 71/2015).

The savings achieved based on these measures in the period from 2014 until 2016, according to the data from the 4th NEEAP as well as the cumulative effect of these measures in the period from 2021 until 2030 are presented in the table below.

Measure	Savings in the period 2014-	Savings in the period 2014-
	2016 [PJ]	2016 [ktoe]
Apartment buildings energy renovation scheme 2014- 2016	0.15	3.57
Family houses energy renovation scheme 20142016	0.70	16.72
Public sector buildings energy renovation scheme 2014- 2015	0.18	4.23
Commercial non-residential buildings energy renovation scheme 2014-2016	0.04	1.04
Energy Efficient Public Lighting Programme	0.08	1.95
TOTAL	1.15	27.52
CUMULATIVE SAVINGS IN THE PERIOD 2021 - 2030	11.52	275.16

(iv) amount of energy savings [in ktoe] from policy measures that result in individual actions undertaken after 1st January 2018 and before 31st

December 2020, which deliver savings after 31st December 2020, including the assumed lifetime for each category of measures in line with item (e)

Since January 2018 several energy efficiency measures have been applied in Croatia. Residential and public buildings energy renovation schemes, co-funded from ESI funds, are implemented most intensively through public calls for grants. Individual building energy renovation projects have been producing impacts since 2018 and will continue to do so until 2030, since the lifetime of the integral building energy renovation measures is 20 years, in accordance with the Ordinance on the system for monitoring, measurement and verification of energy savings (OG 71/2015). An assessment of cumulative savings is presented in the table below, and data on the savings are taken over from the following analyses: "Revision of the calculation of result indicators for the Specific Objective 4c2: Reduction of energy consumption of the residential buildings (multi-apartment buildings and family houses) under the Operational Programme Competition and Cohesion 2014-2020" (Ministry of Construction and Physical Planning, July 2017) and "Revision of the calculation of result indicators for the Specific Objective 4c1: Reduction of energy consumption in the public sector buildings under the Operational Programme Competition and Cohesion 2014-2020" (Ministry of Construction and Physical Planning, July 2017). Final energy savings are presented in the table below.

Savings [ktoe/year] / Year	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Savings in multi-apartment buildings upon first public call	53.26	53.26	53.26	53.26	53.26	53.26
Savings in family houses upon first public call				15.62	31.24	46.86
Savings in multi-apartment buildings upon second public			13.32	13.32	13.32	13.32
Savings based on the Pilot Project 4c1.2	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.30	4.30
Savings per public call 4c1.3 - 2019		29.26	29.26	29.26	29.26	29.26
Savings per public call 4c1.3 - 2020			6.89	6.89	6.89	6.89
Savings per new public calls - 2020			9.47	9.47	9.47	9.47
Savings per new public calls - 2021				12.05	12.05	12.05
Savings per new public calls - 2022					14.63	14.63
Savings per new public calls - 2023						18.07
TOTAL ANNUAL SAVINGS	57.56	86.82	116.5	144.17	174.42	208.11
TOTAL C	CUMULAT	IVE SAVIN	GS IN TI	IE PERIOD	2018-2023	787.58
TOTAL CUMULATIVE SAVINGS IN THE F	ERIOD 2	021-2030				1,983.47

The table shows only the estimates; the data on the actually achieved energy savings in 2018 at the time of the preparation of this document are not available. However, these estimates are shown for the purpose of proving the implementation of measures and individual actions under these measures that could significantly affect the goal reduction for the period from 2021 until 2030.

 (v) amount of energy generated on or in buildings for own use as a result of policy measures promoting new installation of renewable energy technologies in line with item (f) [in ktoe];

Indeterminable.

(g) total cumulative amount of energy savings [in ktoe] (after the application of the exception under paragraph 2);

If only exceptions (i), (ii) and (iii) indicated under item (f) are used, the cumulative target would be significantly reduced, as shown in the table below. Taking into consideration the provisions of Article 3(a), paragraph (b) of the Directive, according to which the reduction of energy savings target may not exceed 35 % in relation to the target calculated according to item (e) hereof, the table below determines the target with applied this maximum reduction.

TOTAL CUMULATIVE TARGET FOR THE PERIOD 2021 –2030 [ktoe]	1,913.83
TOTAL CUMULATIVE TARGET FOR THE PERIOD 2021 -2030 after exception (i) [ktoe]	1,611.56
TOTAL CUMULATIVE TARGET FOR THE PERIOD 2021 -2030 after exception (ii)	1,350.17
[ktoe]	
TOTAL CUMULATIVE TARGET FOR THE PERIOD 2021 -2030 after exception (iii)	1,075.01
[ktoe]	
TOTAL CUMULATIVE TARGET FOR THE PERIOD 2021 -2030 with a 35 % reduction	1,243.99
[ktoe]	

TOTAL CU	JMULATI	VE GOA	AL FOR	THE PI	ERIOD	2021 –2	030 [kt	ce]			1,913.83
Maximally	reduced	goal by	y 35 %								1,243.99
Annual											
savings	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	0.8%	
[ktoe]											
2021	22.62										34.80
2022	22.62	22.62									69.59
2023	22.62	22.62	22.62								104.39
2024	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62							139.19
2025	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62						173.98
2026	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62					208.78
2027	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62				243.58
2028	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62			278.38
2029	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62		313.17
2030	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	22.62	347.97
TOTAL CU	JMULATI		GET FO	OR THE	PERIO	D 2021	-2030	ktoe]		1	1,243.99
TOTAL CU	JMULATI	VE TAR	GET FO	OR THE	PERIO	D 2021	-2030	PJ]			52.08
Annual sa	vings (P.	ม									0.95

Annual distribution of the target is presented in the table below.

(h) amount of excess energy savings [in ktoe] achieved in the period from 1st January 2014 to 31st December 2020, which member States count towards the period from 1st January 2021 until 31st December 2030, in line with Article 7, paragraph 4a.

Not applicable.

2. Policy measures in view of the achievement of the savings requirement referred to in Article 7, paragraph 1 of the Directive 2012/27/EU:

2.1. Energy efficiency obligation scheme referred to in Article 7a of the Directive 2012/27/EU:

(a) description of the energy efficiency obligations scheme

The energy efficiency obligations scheme is stipulated by the Energy Efficiency Act, and its functioning is additionally explained by a special regulation (ordinance) arising from the Act. At the time of drafting of this Plan, the Amendments to the Energy Efficiency Act are undergoing parliamentary procedure, meaning an implementing regulation has not been adopted yet. Therefore, the entire description of the system will be updated after the adoption of the indicated legal documents. The basic provisions of the scheme are provided below in accordance with the final draft amendments to the Act.

The obligation scheme is prescribed for energy suppliers (obligated parties). The Ministry competent for energy determines, in a special decision, for each obligated party, by 30th June of the present year, the exact annual amount of energy savings in kWh for the following year, distributing among all the obligated parties a part of the national framework energy savings goals for the following year achieved through the obligation scheme, as well as the cumulative energy savings goal until the end of the cumulation period. The annual obligation may:

- be reduced by the energy savings achieved in excess of the amount of obligation in the previous year, if any;
- be reduced by the energy saved as a result of measures undertaken after 1st January 2014, which has not been accounted for previously, if any;
- at the obligated party's request, include the achieved but previously non-accounted evidenced savings in any of the four previous or three following years, i.e.
- be increased by non-achieved savings from the previous year, if the non-achieved savings do not exceed 10 % of the total before last year's obligation.

(b) expected cumulative and annual amount of savings and duration of the obligation period(s)

It is planned that the obligation scheme in Croatia will achieve up to 50 % of the target between 2021 and 2030, which for the entire period is cumulatively 622 ktoe (26 PJ), i.e. 11.31 ktoe at the annual level (0.475 PJ).

Important note: The exact shares of the obligation scheme and alternative measures has not been determined yet, and it will be determined by the Ordinance on the energy efficiency obligation scheme which will be adopted based on the amendments to the Energy Efficiency Act. Therefore, the 50 % share is only indicative, and considering the potential of alternative measures (see item 2.2), it is possible that the finally determined share will be even smaller.

(c) obligated parties and their responsibilities

Starting from 2021 and all the years thereafter all energy suppliers who supplied more than 50 GWh of energy in the previous year are the obligated parties. When calculating the energy supplied to the market, the following is excluded:

 part of the biofuel that the obligated parties who market diesel fuel or motor spirit for powering motor vehicles were obligated to market in line with a special regulation regulating use of biofuel for transport; - the energy marketed by entities engaged in the activity of a thermal energy buyer.

(d) target sectors

Target sectors for achieving energy savings are not prescribed.

(e) eligible actions foreseen under the measure

The obligated parties fulfil their obligation by:

- investing in and stimulating energy efficiency improvement in final consumption so as to achieve these investments as new energy savings;
- buying off the saving from another obligated party;
- paying in a certain fee into the Environment Protection and Energy Efficiency Fund;
- investment and stimulation resulting in an effect greater than that of any measure effected in regular market conditions
- investing and stimulating measures or activities which, at the time when the investment is contracted or starts running (whichever comes later), are not encompassed by other policy measures for achieving energy savings foreseen beyond the obligations scheme (alternative measures).
 - (f) information on the application of the following provisions of the Directive 2012/27/EU:
 - *(i)* specific actions for achieving a part of the savings in households affected by energy poverty;

Obligated parties are encouraged to increase the energy efficiency first and foremost in households affected by energy poverty or in social living spaces. The stimulative calculations of savings achievement by increasing energy efficiency in households affected by energy poverty or in social housing must be established in an implementing regulation (ordinance).

(ii) savings achieved by energy services providers or other third parties in accordance with Article 7a, paragraph 5, item (b);

The possibility of obligated parties fulfilling their obligation through energy services providers or third parties is not foreseen.

(iii) "banking and borrowing" in accordance with Article 7a, paragraph 5b The obligated party is allowed to include, at its request, the achieved but previously nonaccounted evidenced savings in any of the four previous or three following years.

(g) information on trading of energy savings (if relevant).

The obligated parties may trade in savings, i.e. an obligated party may achieve its obligation also by buying off the saving from another obligated party.

- 2.2. Alternative measures referred to in Article 7b and Article 20, paragraph 6 of the Directive 2012/27/EU (except taxation):
 - (a) type of policy measure
 - (b) brief description of the policy measure including the design features per each policy measure notified
 - (c) expected total cumulative and annual amount of savings per each measure and/or amount of energy savings in relation to any intermediate periods
 - (d) implementing public authorities, obligated parties or entrusted parties and their responsibilities for implementing policy measure(s)
 - (e) target sectors
 - (f) eligible activities foreseen under the measure
 - (g) special policy measures or individual actions focused on energy poverty

The above required data for all the foreseen alternative measures are indicated in the table below.

ld.	Name of measure	Type of measure (a)	Brief description of the measure (b)	Annual savings (c)	Implementing authority (d)	Target sector (e)	Eligible activities (f)
EE-3	Mult-partment buildings (MAB) energy renovation programme	Financial	Grants for MAB/SFH energy renovation aimed at achieving a reduction of thermal requirements of a building of at least 50 %: for SFH with a satisfactory condition of the external	3.54 ktoe 0.148 PJ	Ministry of Construction and Physical Planning (MCPP) – Programme adoption MCPP – PT1 EPEEF - PT2 EPEEF - technical assistance	Households	 Energy audit and energy certification before and after renovation Preparation of design documentation (if necessary) Energy renovation equipment and works (envelope, joinery, HVAC, RES, indoor lighting, etc.)
EE-4	Single family houses (SFH) energy renovation programme	Financial	envelope, co-funding of individual energy efficiency and renewable energy sources measures; intensified stimulation up to the nZEB standard	4.56 ktoe 0.191 PJ	MCPP – Programme adoption EPEEF - implementation	_	 Professional and designer supervision (if necessary) Technical assistance
EE-5	Public sector buildings energy renovation programme	Financial	Grants for public buildings energy renovation or ESCO model for buildings demonstrating high cost-effectiveness of EE measures; intensified stimulation up to nZEB standard	4.04 ktoe 0.169 PJ	MCPP – Programme adoption MCPP – PT1 EPEEF - PT2 EPEEF - technical assistance (grants) APN - ESCO model	Services sector (public services)	 Energy audit and energy certification before and after renovation Preparation of design documentation Energy renovation equipment and works (envelope, joinery, HVAC, RES, indoor lighting, etc.) Professional and designer supervision Technical assistance
EE-6	Systematic energy management in the public sector	Obligatory information	EMIS upgrade and its application in the entire public sector, implementation of organizational- educational measures for energy consumption reduction in public sector buildings	2.39 ktoe 0.100 PJ	APN	Services sector (public services)	 EMIS functionality improvement Introduction of remote measurements into all public sector buildings Linking the EMIS with other systems Implementation of organizational-educational activities
EE-7	Street lighting energy renovation programme	Financial	Setting up of a financing model enabling project implementation according to the ESCO and PPP model	2.15 ktoe 0.090 PJ	Ministry of Environment and Energy (MEE) - Programme adoption MEE - PT1 EPEEF - PT2 EPEEF - technical assistance	Services sector (public services)	 Energy audit before and after renovation Preparation of design documentation Energy renovation equipment and works (bulbs, lamps, protective and control equipment, cabling, poles, etc.)

							 Professional and designer supervision Technical assistance
TR-9	Financial incentives for energy efficient vehicles	Financial	Co-financed purchase of electric, CNG, LNG and hydrogen vehicles	0.43 ktoe 0.018 PJ	EPEEF	Transport	Vehicle purchase
TR-11	Stimulating integrated and intelligent transport and development of the infrastructure for alternative fuels at the local and regional level	Financial	Co-financing of sustainable traffic solutions in cities	0.50 ktoe 0.021 PJ	EPEEF	Transport	 Optimization of the cargo transport logistics; intelligent public parking space management, introduction of integrated passenger transport, introduction of car sharing, public city bicycles systems and construction of cycling infrastructure, intelligent management in transport (advanced signalization and control)
TR-12	Eco-driving trainings	Information Financial	Training on eco- driving driving in short sessions (in the duration of app. 60- 120 minutes) and implementing of the national promo campaign	0.26 ktoe 0.011 PJ	EPEEF	Transport	 Eco-driving training sessions Promo campaign
UET-5	Co-financing the implementation of energy efficiency measures in households in energy poverty	Financial Information	Co-financing the implementation of technical measures in households in energy poverty	0.10 ktoe 0.004 PJ	EPEEF	Households	 Replacing household appliances according to the "old for new" rule Improvement or replacement of the heating system with a system which is environmentally friendlier, economically more favourable and more energy efficient, and especially with a system powered by renewable energy sources Simple energy efficiency measures

ld.	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Energy savings [ktoe]
EE-3	3.54	7.08	10.62	14.16	17.7	21.24	24.78	28.32	31.86	35.4	194.70
EE-4	4.56	9.12	13.68	18.24	22.8	27.36	31.92	36.48	41.04	45.6	250.80
EE-5	4.04	8.08	12.12	16.16	20.2	24.24	28.28	32.32	36.36	40.4	222.02
EE-6	2.39	4.78	4.78	4.78	4.78	4.78	4.78	4.78	4.78	4.78	45.41
EE-7	2.15	4.3	6.45	8.6	10.75	12.9	15.05	17.2	19.35	21.5	118.25
TR-9	0.43	0.86	1.29	1.72	2.15	2.58	3.01	3.44	3.87	4.30	23.65
TR-11	0.50	1.00	1.50	2.00	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	20.00
TR-12	0.26	0.52	0.52	0.52	0.52	0.52	0.52	0.52	0.52	0.52	4.94
UET-5	0.10	0.20	0.30	0.40	0.50	0.60	0.70	0.80	0.90	1.00	5.50
TOTAL CUMULATIVE SAVINGS IN THE PERIOD 2021 –2030 ACHIEVED THROUGH ALTERNATIVE MEASURES [ktoe]											885,45
TOTAL CUMULATIVE SAVINGS IN THE PERIOD 2021 –2030 ACHIEVED THROUGH ALTERNATIVE MEASURES [PJ]											37,07
THE SHARE OF SAVINGS ACHIEVED THROUGH ALTERNATIVE MEASURES [%]											71.18

The table below shows the expected cumulative savings based on alternative measures in the period from 2021 to 2030

- 2.3. Information on taxation measures:
 - (a) brief description of the taxation measure;
 - (b) duration of the taxation measure;
 - (c) expected cumulative and annual amount of savings per measure;
 - (d) target sectors;
 - (e) additionality of energy savings by describing the approach to savings calculation, including the price elasticity used in accordance with Annex V, item 4

In the draft National Energy and Climate Plan, two fiscal measures are foreseen for stimulating energy efficiency: EE-9-Systematic energy management in the business sector (target sectors: industry and commercial services) and TR-3-Special tax on motor vehicles based on CO₂ emissions (target sector: transport). Both these measures require detailed analyses to establish the methodology of monitoring and calculation of savings resulting from these measures.

3. Calculation methodology for measures notified under Articles 7a, 7b and Article 20, paragraph 6 of Directive 2012/27/EU (except taxation measures):

(a) applied measurement methods under item 1 of Annex V to Directive 2012/27/EU For calculating the savings, assessment methods are used as per Annex II of the Ordinance on the system for monitoring, measurement and verification of energy savings (OG 71/2015). These are bottom-up measures used for assessing energy savings achieved through the application of individual energy-efficiency improvement measures (in line with item 1 (a) of Annex V to Directive 2012/27/EU).

The Ordinance also allows determining the savings by measuring physical items, i.e. by calculating the difference between actual and reference energy consumption (in line with item 1 (b) of Annex V to Directive 2012/27/EU).

Until the day this Plan starts to apply, the concerned Ordinance will be amended, especially in the part relating to bottom-up methods and reference values used therein, and also in terms of prescribing new methods that include research establishing the effect on consumer behaviour (in line with item 1 (d) of Annex V of the Directive 2012/27/EU), since obligated parties will probably implement such activities.

(b) method to express energy savings (primary or final energy savings) Savings are expressed as final energy consumption.

(c) lifetime of the measures, the manner of their calculation and what they are based on

The lifetime of the measures is prescribed by Annex II of the Ordinance on the system for monitoring, measurement and verification of energy savings. The values of the lifetime of the measures are taken over from the European Commission recommendations, back from the period of the Directive 2006/32/EC on energy services.

The savings established by assessment are monitored from the day of the entry of the evidence of savings into the Measurement and Verification System (SMIV), whereas for measures whose savings are established by measurement, the start is set to the beginning of the measurement, in accordance with the Ordinance on systematic energy management.

(d) brief description of the calculation method, including how additionality and materiality of savings are ensured, and which methodologies and benchmarks are used for deemed and scaled savings

The methodology for calculating savings from individual measures is based on the bottom-up method, i.e. on mathematical equations calculating the difference in energy consumption before and after the implementation of the energy efficiency improvement measure. The calculation allows for the use of predefined (reference data) or actual data for each project (action). If actual data are used, the relevant evidence must be entered into the SMIV:

- for the measures implemented by performing construction works, the first page of the certified design prepared by a person authorized for designing, with the calculation of savings in accordance with the methodology from Annex II of the Ordinance, characteristics of the built-in material and equipment and final report of professional supervision with a certificate on the as-built condition in accordance with the design,
- for the measures implemented by installing mechanical installations, a certificate of the as-built condition and system functionality containing the characteristics of the installed equipment/system, contractor's report on equipment installation and indication of the characteristics of the installed system before and after measure implementation, and calculation of energy savings in accordance with the methodology under Annex II of the Ordinance.

The additionality of measures is achieved by prescribing and achieving technical conditions surpassing the minimum conditions prescribed by the relevant legal regulations.

(e) information on how the possible overlaps between policy measures and individual actions are addressed to avoid double counting of energy savings

Double calculation of energy savings is avoided by:

- 1) defining measures, making sure they do no overlap
- 2) defining who is obligated to enter data into the SMIV: entities obligated to plan (large cities and counties); subsidy providers and energy services providers

The SMIV enables an overview of entered data and quick detection of any double entries of measures and their savings. The vast majority of measures in Croatia are implemented with the financial assistance or participation of the Environmental Protection and Energy Efficiency Fund (either as a subsidy provider or an intermediary authority in the ESI funds system). Therefore, such centralized entry also largely contributes to avoiding double entries and calculation of energy savings.

The Ordinance on the system for monitoring, measurement and verification of energy savings will be amended by aligning it with the Ordinance on the energy efficiency obligation scheme, which must be adopted based on the finally adopted amendments to the Energy Efficiency Act, and, through these subordinate acts, the obligations of the obligated parties regarding entry of data into the SMIV shall be established.

(f) climatic variations and approach used (if relevant)

Two climate regions are distinguished in Croatia: continental and coastal Croatia. This has already been taken into consideration in establishing the reference values used in savings assessment methods, in accordance with the Ordinance on the system for monitoring, measurement and verification of energy savings.

4. Monitoring and verification

(a) brief description of the monitoring and verification system and the process of the verification

The energy savings monitoring and verification system was established by the Energy Efficiency Act and the Ordinance on the system for monitoring, measurement and verification of energy savings, and it is based on the SMIV information platform. The legally defined savings holders are obligated to enter data on the implemented energy efficiency measures into this platform which, based on the assessment methods or measured data, calculates achieved energy savings resulting from these measures. Savings holders are counties, large cities (with a population exceeding 35,000), subsidy providers and energy services providers.

The verification of savings is done through the SMIV based on evidence entered into the system, indicated under item 3 (d) of this document. The certificate of achieved energy savings is issued to the savings holder and recorded in the SMIV. The savings certificate is transferable, and each transfer of the certificate is recorded in the SMIV.

(b) implementing public authority and its main responsibilities in terms of the monitoring and verification system in relation to the energy efficiency obligations scheme and /or alternative measures

The savings verification is carried out by the National Energy Efficiency Authority, which is a special organizational unit at the Ministry of Environment and Energy. The EE Authority is responsible for managing the entire energy savings monitoring, measurement and verification system, for maintaining and developing the SMiV and reporting on the achieved savings at the annual level.

(c) independence of monitoring and verification from the obligated, participating or entrusted parties

Since the monitoring and verification are under the competence of the Ministry, that is, of the EE Authority, independence from obligated parties as well as other savings holders is ensured.

(d) statistically significant proportion of energy efficiency improvement measures and proportion and criteria used to define and select a representative sample

The verification of savings according to the currently valid Ordinance on the system for monitoring, measurement and verification of energy savings is carried out only at the request of the savings holder. The verification of energy savings achieved by obligated parties based on the statistically significant share and representative sample of measures implemented by obligated parties is currently not obligatory. The system must be prescribed through the amendments to the Ordinance on the system for monitoring, measurement and verification of energy savings as well as through the Ordinance on the energy efficiency obligation scheme to be adopted based on the finally adopted amendment to the Energy Efficiency Act.

(e) reporting obligations fo obligated parties (savings achieved by each obligated party or each obligated party's sub-category, and in total under the scheme)

The manner of obligated parties' annual reporting on achieved energy savings will be prescribed by the Ordinance on the energy efficiency obligation scheme to be adopted based on the finally adopted amendments to the Energy Efficiency Act. The total savings within the framework of the obligations system are an integral part of the Annual report on the progress made towards achieving the national energy efficiency targets (see item (f)).

(f) publication of energy savings achieved (each year) under the energy efficiency obligation scheme and alternative measures

According to the Energy Efficiency Act, the ministry responsible for energy, together with the ministry responsible for construction and the National Energy Efficiency Authority, drafts the Annual report on the progress made towards achieving the national energy efficiency targets, which are adopted by the Croatian Government by the 1st April for the previous year. The report is delivered to the European Commission.

(g) information on Member States legislation on penalties to be applied in case of noncompliance

According to the final draft amendments to the Energy Efficiency Act, the Ministry of Environment and Energy will adopt, *ex officio*, a decision by 31st March of the current year to define the amount to be paid by the obligated parties whose unachieved part of the obligations exceeds 10 % of the total annual obligation, on a one-time basis, to the Environment Protection and Energy Efficiency Fund, with a payment deadline of 30 days after the decision comes into force. The calculation of the amount which is to be paid by the obligated party into the Fund is based on the costs incurred by the Fund in the previous year per kWh of saved energy by investing into alternative measures, and which is published by the Minister in his decision by 31st March for the previous calendar year.

(h) information on policy measures foreseen if the progress is not satisfactory

There are currently no specific measures foreseen that would have to be undertaken in case of unsatisfactory progress in achieving the targets. The corrective measures must be applied both to the obligation scheme and the alternative measure. In the obligation scheme, one of the corrective measures can be the increase of the fee to be paid by the obligated parties into the Fund, which should be incorporated into the future Ordinance on the energy efficiency obligation scheme. In the alternative measures part, corrective activities include the increase of the scope of activities, more efficient implementation by adjusting administrative procedures and increasing of available funds for co-financing of the measures.