

DECISION AB n° 13/2011

ON ACCEPTING THE OFFER FOR LOGISTICAL SUPPORT BY THE COUNCIL OF  
EUROPEAN ENERGY REGULATORS

THE ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD OF THE AGENCY FOR THE COOPERATION OF  
ENERGY REGULATORS,

HAVING REGARD to the Regulation (EC) No 713/2009 of the European Parliament and of  
the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy  
Regulators (hereafter referred to as “Agency”), and in particular to recital (20) and articles  
13(8) and 21(1)(c);

Whereas:

Decision 2009/913/EU of the Representatives of the Governments of the Member  
States in the European Council of 7 December 2009 (OJ 9 December 2009, L 322/39)  
provides that the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators shall have its Seat  
in Ljubljana, Slovenia;

While the Agency has its Seat in Ljubljana, it is deemed essential that it keeps close  
contact and cooperation with the other European Union institutions, and in particular  
with the Council, the European Parliament and the Commission, to whom it delivers  
opinions and recommendations, pursuant to Article 4(c) of Regulation (EC) No  
713/2009;

Such contact and cooperation are facilitated by the establishment of a liaison office in  
Brussels;

The Multi-Annual Staff Policy Plan for the period 2010 - 2013, adopted by Decision  
AB No 05/2010 of 22 June 2010, envisages that the Director may decide to open a  
liaison office for the Agency in Brussels in order to efficiently organise and prepare  
possible meetings of working groups of national energy regulators during an initial  
start-up phase;

The Council of European Energy Regulators (hereafter referred to as “CEER”), with  
letter of its Chairman of 1 February 2011, has offered to support the Agency, in  
accordance with recital (20) of Regulation (EC) No 713/2009, with the provision of

office space and secretarial and logistical support at their premises Rue le Titien, 28, B - 1000, Brussels, free of any rent, fees or charges, for the purpose of the establishment of the Agency's liaison office in Brussels;

Such offer would allow the Agency to save the substantial costs of renting office premises in Brussels and organising the necessary secretarial and office management support;

Pursuant to Article 13(8) of Regulation (EC) No 713/2009, the European Commission has given its agreement on [1 June 2011] for the Agency to accept the offer from the CEER for the provision of office space in Brussels, including logistical and secretarial support, free of any rent, fees or charges, for the establishment of the Agency's liaison office in Brussels;

HAS DECIDED:

- 1) To accept the offer from the CEER for the provision of office space in Rue le Titien, 28, B - 1000, Brussels, including logistical and secretarial support, free of any rent, fees or charges, for the establishment of the Agency's liaison office in Brussels;
- 2) To give mandate to the Director to implement this Decision and, if necessary, to agree with the Council of European Energy Regulators the terms of utilisation of the offered facilities and services.

Done at Ljubljana, on 1 June 2011

For the Administrative Board:

Piotr Woźniak



Chairman of the ACER Administrative Board