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To,

S.N.T.G.N. "TRANSGAZ" S.A, MEDIAŞ Mr. Ion STERIAN - Director general

Dear Director General,

Following your request with no.46020/11.09.2018 registered at the *Ministry of Energy* under no.193104/14.09.2018 by which you ask us to **extend the validity of the deadline for the commencement of the works** according to the *Construction Permit* no.2/15.09.2017, (valid for 36 months from the date of issue) related to the project "NTS DEVELOPMENTS IN THE NORTH-EASTERN AREA OF ROMANIA IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE NATURAL GAS SUPPLY OF THE AREA AS WELL AS TO ENSURE TRANSMISSION CAPACITIES TO THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA" Natural gas transmission pipeline Onești-Gherăești; Natural gas transmission pipeline Gherăești-Leţcani; Gas compressor station Onești; Gas compressor station Gherăești; Site management including material storage facilities; Electricity supply, Cathodic protection; Optical fiber installation; Dismantling of existing pipeline DN400 Gherăești-Leţcani Pipeline I", we would like to inform you that:

According to the provisions of Law no. 185/2016 on some measures necessary for the implementation of projects of national importance in the field of natural gas, i.e. **Article 22, paragraph 4:**

- **Leter e)** "the period of validity of construction permits issued for projects of national importance in the field of natural gas is 36 months from the date of issue, provided that the construction work has started";
- **Letter g)** "in justified cases where the construction works cannot be started within the period of validity of the construction permit, the project initiator may apply to the issuing authority for an extension of the validity of the permit at least 15 days before its expiry, in which case the extension shall be granted for a period not exceeding 12 months, with the possibility of successive extensions".



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Considering that the construction permit is within its validity period, we attach Annex 1 to the Construction Permit no.2/15.09.2017 regarding the extension of the validity period for the start of works on the above-mentioned project.

In view of the major importance of the project, please make every effort to start the works during this period.

Yours sincerely,

Anton ANTON

MINISTER OF ENERGY

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Deputy Director General, Intermediate Body for Energy Dan CÂRLAN

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ANNEX no. 1

to Construction Permit no.2/15.09.2018 for the project:

NTS DEVELOPMENTS IN THE NORTH-EASTERN AREA OF ROMANIA IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THE NATURAL GAS SUPPLY OF THE AREA AS WELL AS TO ENSURE TRANSMISSION CAPACITIES TO THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA" - Natural gas transmission pipeline Onești-Gherăești; Natural gas transmission pipeline Gherăești-Lețcani; Gas compressor station Onești; Gas compressor station Gherăești; Site management including material storage facilities; Electricity supply, Cathodic protection; Optical fiber installation; Dismantling of existing pipeline DN400 Gherăești-Lețcani Pipeline I",

in accordance with the provisions of Law no.185/2016 on some measures necessary for the implementation of projects of national importance in the field of natural gas, of Law no. 50/1991 on the authorization of construction works, republished, with subsequent amendments and additions, of the Order of the Minister of Regional Development and Housing no. 839/2009 for the approval of the Methodological Norms for the application of Law no. 50/1991 on the authorization of construction works, as subsequently amended and supplemented,

The period of validity of the commencement of works is extended by 12 months from the date of expiry of the period referred to in point. C of Construction Permit No 2/15.09.2017 namely

from 15.09.2018 until 14.09.2019

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