

programme as endorsed by decision of HCC will take place (**prior action**), followed by quarterly auctions according to schedule. The quantity auctioned for 2017 will amount to 16% of DEPA's yearly gas supply to customers. HCC and RAE will provide the Institutions, after every auction, with a report on its outcomes (see TMU ¶X).

- viii. By April 2017, the authorities will: (i) implement the new framework for the support of renewable energies, including all necessary secondary legislation and completing the pilot auctions for photovoltaic plants; the full auction process will be defined and communicated to the European Commission; (ii) provide an agreed and validated plan to comply with the final decision of the Council of State adopted in September 2016 on the netting of the arrears between PPC and the market operator to the institutions and start its implementation; (iii) implement the commitments agreed with the European Commission under the approval decision on the temporary capacity mechanism scheme (review of secondary reserve price cap, actual hydro power availability, market-based methods for tertiary reserve).
- ix. Following the entry into force of the EU Regulation 2015/1222 establishing a guideline on capacity allocation and congestion management (CACM)⁸ and the draft guideline on electricity balancing to enter into force in 2017, Greece needs to take the necessary steps for joining the day ahead and intraday market coupling on its borders and the establishing of the balancing market (target model). LAGIE, acting as the nominated electricity market operator (NEMO) in accordance with CACM and national legislation/decisions put in place in 2016, needs to have all required codes and technical means in place to comply with the obligations of CACM or appoint another third party to perform these tasks. Respective codes need to be drafted by LAGIE and approved by RAE. ADMIE will act as the operator of the balancing market based on the balancing code to be drafted by ADMIE and approved by RAE. The authorities will provide as a **prior action** a roadmap for the issuance of the necessary regulatory decisions, the approach taken in the drafting of the required technical codes and the steps for putting in place the technical tools (e.g. IT systems) to implement the day ahead, intraday, forward and balancing markets by 1 January 2018 (**key deliverables**). In particular, for day ahead market coupling (Italy-Greece and Bulgaria-Greece), Greece will join the EU market coupling project by December 2017 (**key deliverable**). Regarding the balancing markets, the draft code for the balancing market will be prepared and shared with the European Commission by September 2017.

⁸ Commission Regulation (EU) 2015/1222 of 24 July 2015 establishing a guideline on capacity allocation and congestion management.

