

Press Release

ERSE publishes its opinion on “PDIRD-E 2024” proposal

ERSE - Entidade Reguladora dos Serviços Energéticos (Energy Services Regulatory Authority) published today its opinion on the proposal for the Development and Investment Plan for the National Distribution Network in the electricity sector for the period 2026-2030 (PDIRD-E 2024), drawn up by the network operator.

The current proposal is the first exercise in drawing up a PDIRD-E under the terms of Decree-Law no. 15/2022, of January 14, which within the Legal Framework for Territorial Management assigns a nature of a sectoral programme to the instruments for planning the public service electricity network.

In overall terms, at full cost, the “PDIRD-E 2024” proposal presents an investment scenario for the five-year period 2026 to 2030 of a total amount of 1 607.6 million euros, an increase on the 896.4 million euros of the previous five-year period.

ERSE considers that, overall, the “PDIRD-E 2024” proposal drawn by the distribution network operator reflects the current needs of the national distribution network. Nonetheless, when drawing final version of PDIRD-E proposal there are some key issues that should be improved in along with ERSE’s recommendations aiming at facilitating the integration of new technologic solutions and the adoption of innovative practices regarding planning and active network management.

it is now up to the network operator to consider the recommendations of ERSE's Opinion, as well as the comments received during ERSE's Public Consultation No. 126, in the final version of the PDIRD-E proposal to be submitted to the Grantor for approval.

[Access the Opinion](#)

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