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	Rules provision/Country	Bulgaria	Albania	Romania	Slovenia	BiH
1.	Unbundling of Transmission: OU or accounting?	OU TSO	OU TSO	OU TSO	OU TSO (state ownership)	OU – Transco and ISO
2.	Unbundling of distribution into DSO and supply: OU or accounting.	Legally unbundled (most generation companies privately owned)	DSO and Retail supplier share ownership but have separate accounting	Legally unbundled (most discos privately owned)	DSO – (SODO- joint stock company consisted of 5 DSO, has no ownership over network, publicly owned)	RS (separate accounting) Federation: No
3.	What customer classes are legally eligible?	All (but households and small enterprises are "protected")	All but households	All	All	All but households and Small Enterprises
4.	How many customers actually purchase supply in the market?	36% of energy purchases	None currently (one has in the past)	3,500 (out of 8.5 million)	All	1 ½ industrial customers
5.	Eligible Customers forced or voluntary?	Voluntary	Voluntary	Voluntary	Voluntary	Voluntary
6.	Eligible Customers able to return to tariff customer status? If so, at what tariff?	Yes, pending rules in development	Yes, at ordinary tariff rate. ERE is to review policy	Yes, if supplier loses license or unable to supply and no substitute arrangement	No	Yes, at usual tariff level during transition period, ending 2012; according to FERC and 1-1-10 for large customers, 1-1-12 for medium and 1-1-15 for households.

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7.	How many suppliers in the market?	4		>60 (including 7 "incumbents")	9	7
8.	Cost-based tariff methodology?	Yes	Yes, using price cap approach	Yes	All customers are eligible, but electricity prices in internal market are far below those in EU electricity market	Yes
9.	Tariffs priced at or below market?		Below	Above	All customers are eligible, but electricity prices in internal market are far below those in EU electricity market	Below
10.	Existence of non-discriminatory access to transmission and distribution network?	Yes	In theory, but not all rules or contract forms in place	Yes	Yes, but electricity prices in internal market are much below than those in EU electricity market	Yes, legal requirement
11.	Cross border congestion management method?	Explicit auction	Some transmission capacity reserved;	Explicit auction	Explicit auction	Pro rata
12.	Transmission System operator or ISO:					
a)	Tariff charges for services?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
b)	Transmission System operator or ISO: - Procurement of ancillary services?	Yes	Yes, but ancillary services tariff under further development	Yes	Yes, TSO via auction	No

c)	Transmission System operator or ISO: - Balancing services?	Yes	Yes in theory	Yes	Yes	No
d)	Generator dispatch?	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes TSO	No
13.	Existence of pro forma contracts for - Ancillary services - Balancing - Grid access - Financial settlement - Purchase & sale	Yes for balancing, access and transmission services; financial settlement covered by rule	Under development	Yes except for financial settlement	Yes for ancillary services, balancing (MO), purchase & sale, financial settlement (MO), grid access	No
14.	Bilateral contracts?	Yes	Under development	Yes	Yes	Yes
15.	Day ahead market?	No; rules under development	No	Yes	Yes	No
16.	Supplier of last resort? At what price?	Yes, existing supply companies are SOLR in the territory of the license	Retail Public Supplier is SOLR. Customers who are not buying in open market are allowed to purchase at ordinary tariff rate from Public Supplier	Yes	Yes	Existing retail supplier is SOLR. In RS, price is regulated. In Federation, FERC to approve but should equal costs.
17.	Vulnerable customer program?	Yes	Under consideration by	Legislation under consideration;	Yes (all households with a	RS yes Federation no

			government; current block tariff structure favors low usage customers	other government support available	defined low income)	