

## **PRESS RELEASE**

(Bucharest, January, 25th 2010)

## January 2010, month of absolute records for performance indicators of the Day Ahead Market

For January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010, OPCOM announces absolute record numbers for the performance of Day Ahead Market transactions, having as background an intense participation of 65 of the 99 companies registered in the market:

- Total volume, absolute record, of 32,467 MWh, in hourly average values nearly 1,353 MWh/h, equivalent to a market share of 18.21% of the consumption forecasted for this day;
- Record value for the hourly volume, for the 12<sup>th</sup> interval of the day: 1,570 MWh/h, also the highest value recorded since launch.

These results occurred in the context of a month favorable to short-term transactions, January 2010 bringing other absolute records also:

- Record of active participation regarding daily level: 66 participants expressed trading intentions for delivery on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010;
- Monthly participation record: 70 of 99 registered participants expressed trading intentions for delivery in January 2010, all of them establishing transactions;
- Record value for the hourly average at monthly level: 1,040 MWh/h, also the highest value recorded since launch.

Notably is that starting with the first delivery day of this year, in 64% of hourly intervals traded so far (the percentage value is also an absolute record), the settled hourly volumes were higher than 1,000 MWh/h, the delivery day of January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010 seeing for all hours traded volumes that exceeded this value; a similar result was reached in the other two days of the year, 6<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> of January, 2010.