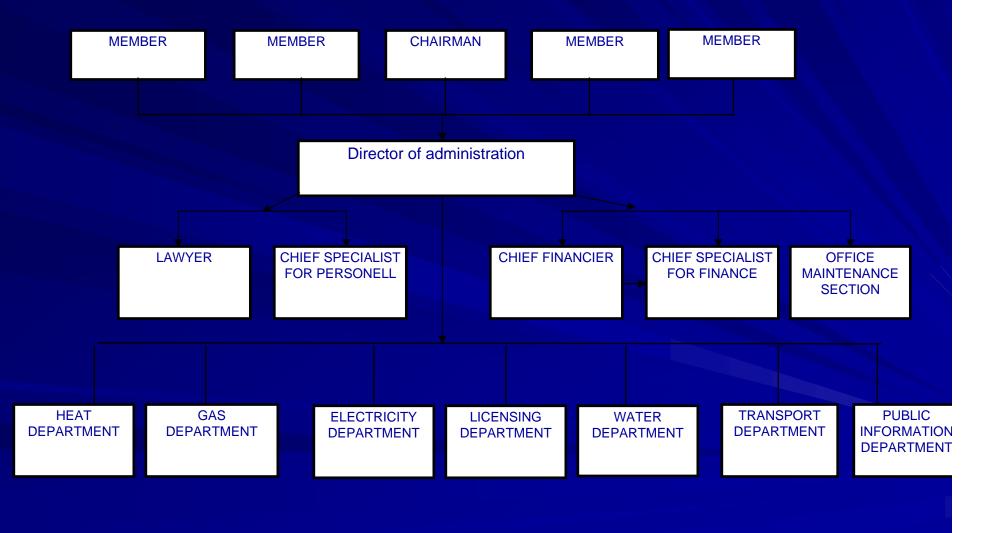
# Structure and managing of the NCC

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#### THE NATIONAL CONTROL COMMISSION FOR PRICES AND ENERGY OF LITHUANIA ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



### **STAFF OF THE NCC**

Commissioners – 5
Public servants -38
Others – 4

**Total - 45** 

#### **RESULTS OF THE NCC IN 2004**

Approved decisions -142
Prepared and approved legal acts -7
Ivestigated complaints - 67
Solved disputes -6

#### FUNCTIONS OF PUBLIC INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

- To organize conferences
- To perform clerical work and to keep archives
- To provide official information for the mass media
- To administer the web site
- To develop the annual report
- To coordinate a cooperation with international organizations
- To provide information for various state and public organizations
- To organize different conferences, seminars, and internal events of the Commission

### FUNCTIONS OF GAS DEPARTMENT (1/2)

- to develop methods of fixing state-regulated prices in the gas sector and to provide them for an approval to the Commission;
- to calculate the upper limits of state-regulated prices in the gas sector and to provide the conclusions and draft decisions to the Commission for the consideration;
- to examine a conformity of prices provided by gas enterprises to the requirements of the applicable methods and to provide the conclusions and draft decisions to the Commission for the consideration;
- to control an application of state-regulated prices in the gas sector;
- to examine received applications on provision of the status of a free natural gas user and to provide the conclusions and draft decisions to the Commission for the consideration;

### FUNCTIONS OF GAS DEPARTMENT (2/2)

- to analyze planned investments of gas enterprises and to provide the conclusions on their validity to the Commission for the consideration;
- to analyze the norms of depreciation (amortization) deductions from long-term assets of gas enterprises and to provide the conclusions and draft decisions to the Commission for the consideration;
- to analyze the unit prices of connection of the equipment of users to the natural gas network and the prices of buying-out common-use systems provided by gas enterprises and to provide the conclusions and draft decisions to the Commission for the consideration;
- to examine complaints related to fixing of state-regulated prices of natural gas and other issues of the activities.

# FUNCTIONS OF LICENSING DEPARTMENT

- to examine applications of enterprises, engaged in power, heating and gas supply, on issue or amendment of Licenses;
- to carry out a supervision of licensed activities for power transmission, distribution and independent & public supply as well as licensed activities of a power market operator and to carry out a supervision of licensed activities for natural gas transmission, distribution and supply;
- to control an observance of the requirements related to reliability and quality of power and natural gas supply services;
- to examine complaints on violations of the terms of licensed activities;
- to examine complaints in accordance with the procedure of preliminary extrajudicial examination of complaints;
- to carry out monitoring of the indicators of quality of power and natural gas supply.

# FUNCTIONS OF WATER DEPARTMENT

- to develop the methods for determination of prices for water supply and sewage treatment;
- to analyze submitted applications for setting prices of water supply and sewage treatment and to provide proposals on the level of prices to the Commission;
- to assess a validity of return on investments and costs of activities in water sector projects;
- to analyze activities of water suppliers, identify the criteria of the efficiency of such activities and provide the relevant informacion and reports to members of the Commission;
- to prepare answers to inquires and letters of the other institutions on the issues related to the activities of the department.

#### FUNCTIONS OF LAWYER (CHIEF SPECIALIST)

- To ensure the legitimacy of the Commission's activities, its resolutions and other decisions, and orders passed by the Commission chairman
- To develop projects of legal norms and to participate in their adoption
- To provide legal consulting services, suggestions and conclusions for the Commission
- To represent the Commission in the courts, pre-trial institutions, in other state and municipal institutions

#### COMMUNICATION BETWEEN DEPARTMENS

Licensing department

Exchange of infomation on energy market monitoring Dispute settelment Investigation of claims

> Electricity department Gas department Heat department