

Press Release

Dentons advises E.ON on the purchase of a Russian energy supplier

Berlin/Moscow, February 21, 2014 – Global law firm Dentons advised the integrated energy solutions provider E.ON Connecting Energies GmbH (ECT), a unit of the E.ON Group, on the acquisition of a stake in the Russian company Noginsky Teplovoy Center (NTZ) from AMG Industrial Investment Corporation AG (Switzerland). NTZ generates and provides heating energy and electricity to enterprises in Borilovo (Noginsk) Industrial Park, located about 50 kilometers from Moscow. Tenants of Borilovo Industrial Park (NTZ's clients) include leading companies such as the chemical and pharmaceutical group Bayer, the global cosmetics manufacturer Oriflame, the retail chain Metro and the Russian mobile service provider MegaFon. Closing of the transaction is conditional upon obtaining approval of the Russian antimonopoly authorities and is scheduled to take place in the second quarter of 2014.

Additionally, ECT and DEGA Beteiligungs AG, the Swiss parent company of AMG, entered into a long-term joint-venture agreement to build, own and operate on-site combined heat and power generation facilities for future similar industrial parks in Russia.

The Berlin and Moscow Dentons team advised the buyer throughout the entire transaction – from the due diligence stage to drafting and negotiating transactional documents (including agreements governed by Swiss law) and applying for antimonopoly approval. Dentons once again has proven its ability to provide seamless legal advice and to render legal support to international clients on cross-border projects.

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