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Suspension of legal terms for the Energy Regulatory Commission

On January 18, 2021, the Energy Regulatory Commission ("CRE") published in the Federal Official Gazette ("DOF") the "*Ruling number A / 001/2021 which declares the suspension of legal terms and proceedings carried out before the Energy Regulatory Commission as a measure to prevent and combat the spread of the COVID-19 coronavirus*". ("Ruling").

The Ruling establishes the suspension of the terms and deadlines in acts and proceedings carried out before the CRE from its publication, until the health authorities establish that there is no epidemiological risk related to the opening of the Federal Public Administration activities.

Therefore, the proceedings, notices, requests and submissions filed before the CRE during the abovementioned period, will be considered as if they were filed once the health authorities establish that there is no epidemiological risk regarding the aforementioned activities.

However, the Ruling sets forth that during the referred period, days and hours may be enabled in order to attend those matters considered necessary by the CRE's Governing Body or its Administrative Units.

Furthermore, the Ruling declares that the administrative proceedings for acquisitions, leases and services that are extremely urgent or necessary for the continuity of operations for the fulfilment of the essential functions of the CRE, are exempt from the suspension period declared in the Ruling.

Finally, the Ruling establishes that the hours and days of reception, the health and safety measures that will be implemented for the operation of the Reception Office (Oficialía de Partes), as well as the entrance to the facilities of the CRE, will be announced on the official website of the CRE.

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