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THE VIETNAM ENERGY INFORMATION SYSTEM**

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I. REPORT ON THE ASSESSMENT OF THE CURRENT STATUS, NECESSITY, SCOPE AND SCALE OF THE VIETNAM ENERGY INFORMATION SYSTEM

1.1 Legal basis

- Resolution No. 55-NQ/TW dated 11 February 2020 of the Politburo on the Strategic Orientation for National Energy Development by 2030, with a vision to 2045; Resolution No. 70-NQ/TW dated 20 August 2025 of the Politburo on ensuring national energy security by 2030, with a vision to 2045;
- Public Investment Law No. 39/2019/QH14 dated 13 June 2019;
- Electricity Law No. 28/2004/QH11; Law Amending and Supplementing Certain Articles of the Electricity Law No. 24/2012/QH13;
- The Law on the Efficient and Rational Use of Energy dated 28 June 2010, as amended and supplemented by Law No. 28/2018/QH14 dated 15 June 2018;
- The Statistics Law dated 23 November 2015;
- Decree No. 21/2011/NĐ-CP of 29 March 2011 of the Government detailing and setting out measures for the implementation of the Law on the Efficient and Economical Use of Energy;
- Decree No. 98/2017/NĐ-CP of 18 August 2017 of the Government stipulating the functions, tasks, powers and organisational structure of the Ministry of Industry and Trade;
- Decree No. 09/2019/NĐ-CP dated 24 January 2019 of the Government stipulating the reporting regime for state administrative agencies;
- Decree No. 73/2019/NĐ-CP dated 5 September 2019 of the Government stipulating the management of information technology investment projects using state budget funds; Decree No. 82/2024/NĐ-CP dated 10 July 2024 of the Government amending and supplementing certain provisions of Decree No. 73/2019/NĐ-CP dated 5 September 2019 of the Government regulating the management of investment in information technology applications using state budget funds;
- Decree No. 40/2020/NĐ-CP of 6 April 2020 of the Government detailing the implementation of certain provisions of the Public Investment Law;
- Decree No. 242/2025/NĐ-CP of 10 September 2025 of the Government on the management and use of Official Development Assistance (ODA) and foreign preferential loans;
- Decree No. 56/2025/NĐ-CP dated 3 March 2025 of the Government detailing certain provisions of the Electricity Law regarding electricity development planning, power grid development plans, investment in electricity projects and tendering to select investors for electricity business projects;
- Decree No. 10/2021/NĐ-CP dated 9 February 2021 of the Government regulating the management of construction investment costs;

- Decree No. 15/2021/ND-CP dated 3 March 2021 of the Government detailing certain provisions on the management of investment construction projects;
- Letter from the European Union dated 19 September 2019 regarding the allocation of a grant of 142 million euros to Vietnam for the implementation of the Vietnam–EU Sustainable Energy Transition Programme;
- Decision No. 749/QĐ-TTg dated 3 June 2020 of the Prime Minister approving the National Digital Transformation Programme to 2025, with a vision to 2030;
- Decision No. 1367/QĐ-TTg dated 28 July 2021 of the Prime Minister on the approval of the receipt of targeted budgetary support from the European Union under the Vietnam-EU Sustainable Energy Transition Programme;
- Decision No. 4651/QĐ-BCT dated 14 December 2018 of the Ministry of Industry and Trade issuing the Ministry of Industry and Trade’s Action Plan to establish a specialised energy information system for the period 2019–2024;
- Circular No. 34/2019/TT-BCT dated 28 November 2019 of the Ministry of Industry and Trade stipulating the Energy Information System; Other relevant current legal documents.
- Decision No. 1974/QĐ-BCT dated 29 September 2022 of the Minister of Industry and Trade approving the investment policy for the project to construct the Vietnam Energy Information System;
- Decision No. 2726/QĐ-BCT dated 3 October 2025 of the Ministry of Industry and Trade on the adjustment of the investment policy for the project to construct the Vietnam Energy Information System;
- Decision No. 3274/QĐ-BCT dated 7 November 2025 of the Ministry of Industry and Trade approving the terms of reference and the investment preparation budget for the project to construct the Vietnam Energy Information System;
- Decision No. 01/QĐ-ĐL dated 6 January 2026 of the Director-General of the Electricity Authority on the approval of the Contractor Selection Plan for the investment preparation phase of the Vietnam Energy Information System Construction Project;
- Decision No. 43/QĐ-ĐL dated 3 February 2026 of the Director General of the Electricity Authority on the approval of the results of the contractor selection for Tender Package No. 01: Survey and preparation of the feasibility study report under the investment preparation budget for the project: Investment in the Construction of the Vietnam Energy Information System.

1.2 Assessment of the current status of reporting and statistics in the Vietnamese energy sector

To manage and monitor the situation regarding investment in development and energy use, and to track the annual increase in greenhouse gas emissions in the energy sector, the Ministry of Industry and Trade needs to compile information on: national investment, production, processing, transportation and consumption of energy, thereby collecting data and statistics on energy usage levels to propose appropriate policies for the sustainable development of the energy sector, with a view to developing a green economy with low carbon emissions, conserve national energy resources, protect the

environment and address climate change in line with the requirements of Resolution 55 in the coming period.

However, the implementation of policies and practices regarding energy development in recent years has still faced numerous shortcomings, lacked coherence and has not met expectations. The energy sector's information technology infrastructure remains inadequate; there is no centralised database system for the energy sector, and existing data systems have been developed in a piecemeal, fragmented manner without a coherent framework. In some areas, data systems have not even been researched or developed, with data still being stored manually within individual units.

Currently, the Ministry of Industry and Trade does not have a centralised database system for the energy sector to support state management functions or assist state management bodies in formulating development policies for the sector. Independent unit-based database systems (including: electricity databases, coal databases, oil and gas databases, and new and renewable energy databases such as wind and solar, ...) are mostly developed and managed in a fragmented and piecemeal manner by state-owned corporations and holding companies, with significant limitations and a lack of integration. These systems are designed solely to support routine management and monitoring within the narrow scope of each individual entity, whilst lacking interconnectivity, information sharing, and timely data provision to state agencies. This has caused significant difficulties for the Ministry of Industry and Trade in its state management duties when requiring data, processing and utilising energy-related information to formulate and implement policies.

Sustainable energy development policies require transparent calculations, comparisons with historical data, or even close coordination between entities operating in the energy sector and government agencies. However, at present, these activities lack clarity and coordination, leading to significant difficulties for the Ministry of Industry and Trade (Department of Energy) in carrying out its assigned tasks, specifically as follows:

- Drafting and submitting for approval by the competent authorities:
 - + Draft laws, decrees, draft resolutions of the National Assembly, draft resolutions of the Standing Committee of the National Assembly, draft decrees of the Government, and draft decrees of the Prime Minister regarding energy;
 - + Strategies, sectoral plans, regional and territorial plans, long-term, medium-term and short-term development investment plans on energy; national target programmes, programmes, projects, proposals and major works related to national security in the energy sector;
 - + Mechanisms and policies to encourage investment and ensure the development of the electricity sector and new and renewable energy;
- Directing, inspecting and organising the implementation of legal documents, strategies, plans, programmes, projects and proposals on energy after they have been approved and issued by the competent authorities.

- Provide advisory services on state management regarding planning and the formulation of investment and construction policies within the remit of the Ministry of Industry and Trade for projects in the energy sector.

1.3 The Role of the Vietnam Energy Information System

The Vietnam Energy Information System: Supports state management agencies in management and supervision, enhancing efficiency in planning, comprehensive reporting and forecasting; Assists in decision-making regarding policies or regulations pertaining to state management; supports state management agencies in developing comprehensive and long-term energy development policies ; has the capability to describe the energy system, as well as forecast future energy prospects.

The energy information system will have the following specific tasks:

- Supporting operational and management activities: The information system enables the storage of large volumes of necessary information on the energy system, helping government agencies in the energy sector to operate effectively and efficiently;

- Supporting decision-making: A system equipped with comprehensive information will provide lawmakers and policy-makers with a comprehensive overview of the energy system, enabling them to formulate appropriate, sound and effective policies;

- The Vietnamese Energy Information System will assist the Government in managing and regulating the national energy system, developing policies, strategies and solutions for effective and sustainable energy balance, as well as monitoring progress, achieving results, and verifying the impacts of implemented energy policies and measures;

- Develop comprehensive energy development strategies and policies, as well as those for specific energy sectors, including: electricity, oil and gas, coal, new and renewable energy sources, etc.; Contribute to ensuring energy security and developing early warning mechanisms to support responses to energy crises;

- Plan, implement, monitor and verify energy efficiency and the use of renewable energy sources across all end-use energy sectors;

- Develop energy development plans for territorial areas, including at the regional, provincial, district, rural and island levels;

- Assist investors and international organisations in accessing information on Vietnam's energy sector, facilitating investment and the development of national energy infrastructure and systems; support monitoring of national energy access and the population's energy consumption capacity to meet minimum living standards.

1.4 The necessity of investing in the Vietnam Energy Information System project

In recent years, the domestic energy sector has experienced rapid growth in scale, with a trend towards restructuring the use of clean energy sources, encouraging and prioritising the use of energy-saving and efficient measures, and investing in the development of clean energy sources—all of which present significant challenges for

state management agencies. Vietnam has always prioritised planning efforts to ensure a balanced energy mix and energy security. However, to carry out effective planning and forecast development trends, the collection and synthesis of energy data is essential.

Currently, Vietnam in general, and the Ministry of Industry and Trade in particular, lacks a shared database system for the energy sector and lacks the necessary IT infrastructure for energy sector statistics to support government management and assist government agencies in formulating energy sector development policies that align with actual conditions.

Furthermore, Vietnam is in the midst of the Fourth Industrial Revolution; digital transformation and the application of IT in the government's digital administration are among the major policies of our Party and State. In particular, the application of IT in statistical work in general and the energy sector in particular is truly necessary, with a view to achieving a modern, effective and efficient digital government. In light of this, it is clear that there is an urgent need to establish a comprehensive 'Energy Information System' to provide a powerful tool for state management agencies and the Vietnamese Government to formulate, implement policies and manage national energy effectively.

The project to develop the Vietnam Energy Information System, funded by non-repayable ODA from the European Union (hereinafter referred to as the Project). The total project investment is 6.5 million EUR (equivalent to 165.75 billion VND), with the implementation period originally set for 2022–2025, but adjusted to 2026–2027.

1.5 General and specific objectives

1.5.1 General Objective

The general objective of the Project is to establish a specialised energy information system organised in a scientifically unified manner within the Ministry of Industry and Trade, featuring a comprehensive, timely, consistent and regularly updated database compliant with international standards, managed and operated by a team of professionally trained staff, based on modern information technology infrastructure, to ensure the system's output is of sufficient quality to best meet the needs of the Ministry of Industry and Trade's state management activities regarding the energy sector.

1.5.2 Specific Objectives

- To establish centralised, synchronised and unified databases for the energy sector, including: the Electricity Database, the New Energy Database, the Renewable Energy Database, the Coal Database, the Oil and Gas Database, the Energy Conservation Database, etc.;
- Invest in equipment and install infrastructure to establish an energy information and data system;
- Invest in the development of software for the collection, processing and analysis of energy data to modernise the production of energy statistics, including increasing the use of electronic forms in the collection of input data; connect and integrate with the digitised energy data of relevant agencies and units to replace statistical surveys;
- Ensure the synchronised processing of collected information to improve the quality of

statistical data, thereby supporting the decision-making processes of leaders at all levels in management;

- Developing statistical products for the energy sector;
- Establish operational procedures for the Energy Information System (System Operations Manual);
- Provide training to enhance capabilities in data analysis, synthesis, and the use of computational tools and models; strengthen the capacity of the team of energy statistics experts and IT specialists to ensure the delivery of high-quality energy products based on the energy data collected for the Energy Information System;
- Train technical staff on the operation of the system's infrastructure at the Lead Unit and Reporting Units, coordinating the provision of input data to the System and the IT operations team of the Project;
- Establish and strengthen the organisational structure of the Centre for Consultancy, Training, and Information on Electricity and Renewable Energy (under the Electricity Authority) with a highly skilled workforce to sustainably support the operation and management of the Vietnam Energy Information System (VEIS), thereby ensuring the effective functioning of VEIS; Establish, maintain and archive the national energy database, and on this basis, produce energy statistics to support state management.

1.6 Scope and Scope

Pursuant to the tasks set out in Government Resolution No. 17/NQ-CP dated 7 March 2019; Decision No. 4651/QĐ-BCT dated 14 December 2018 of the Minister of Industry and Trade on the Action Plan of the Ministry of Industry and Trade to establish the specialised energy information system for the 2019–2024 period; and the project's investment objectives, The Electricity and Renewable Energy Department has thoroughly reviewed the current state of the information technology infrastructure to utilise existing infrastructure, calculate the items requiring new procurement, and identify those requiring outsourcing, in order to specify the hardware and software equipment required for the project. This enables the selection of technical and technological solutions, preliminary design, and the estimated investment scale of the Project, with the following specific investment components:

Component 1: Investment in the construction and operation of the energy information and data system

Activity 1.1: Investment in equipment and installation of infrastructure to establish the energy information and data system, including:

- Server room, including power supply systems, lighting, uninterruptible power supply (UPS) equipment, equipment cabinets, air conditioning, fire prevention and suppression equipment, surveillance cameras, and access control equipment;
- Server equipment; Data storage and backup equipment; Equipment for data, information and cyber security; Equipment for accessing, utilising and updating information;

- Infrastructure software, including operating systems and related software; Specialised software for modelling, estimation, data extraction and conversion;
- Digitalisation and digital content creation equipment; Communication and transmission equipment.

Activity 1.2: Developing system management processes and measures to ensure the system's infrastructure operates continuously, securely and is capable of meeting the energy information system's growing data collection and processing needs.

Component 2: Building system operation capacity

Activity 2.1. Training technical staff on the operation of the system's infrastructure, with the objective of enhancing the operational capabilities of technical staff at the Lead Agency and Reporting Units, and coordinating the provision of information, with a focus on the submission of online reports.

Activity 2.2. Training relevant stakeholders on the collection and reporting of data as inputs to the specialised energy information system, with the aim of enhancing the capacity to fulfil reporting obligations and share information at Reporting Units, whilst coordinating and providing information within the legal framework of the system.

Activity 2.3. Building capacity in data analysis, synthesis and the use of calculation tools and models, with the objective of building capacity for stakeholders involved in utilising information from the system regarding methods of data analysis and synthesis, the use of tools, and calculation models to support analysis and the formulation of national energy development policies and strategies.

Component 3: Improving the quality of output products

Activity 3.1. Finalising the comprehensive energy sector dataset, including certain anticipated outputs of the system: Information on energy infrastructure; Energy price statistics; Renewable energy statistics; Energy information linked to geographical indicators; Regularly compiled statistics.

Activity 3.2. Refining the energy information index set, including some anticipated outputs of the system: Comprehensive energy index, comprising indices linked to socio-economic and environmental development factors;

Activity 3.3. Improving the national energy balance sheet. Based on the improved quality and quantity of energy information, the format of the national energy balance sheet will be enhanced to include more content, whilst ensuring compliance with international standards for energy statistics.

Activity 3.4. Preparation of the annual energy outlook report. This is a study aimed at assessing national energy supply and demand in relation to long-term socio-economic development, and is considered within the context of global energy trends, scientific and technological progress, and domestic energy supply potential. To carry out this activity, the energy information system will serve as a source of detailed data for modelling the national energy system, covering all stages from extraction and import/export through to processing, production and final consumption.

1.7 Plan for the organisation, management and operation of the Energy Information System post-investment

Upon completion of the Project, all project outcomes, capital and assets will be handed over to the Energy Technology and Information Centre under the Electricity and Renewable Energy Department for the management, operation and maintenance of the VEIS system, following a decision by the Ministry of Industry and Trade.

The tasks of operating, utilising, maintaining, upgrading, and enhancing the operational capacity of the Energy Information System will be entrusted to the Centre for Consultancy, Training, and Information on Electricity and Renewable Energy, under the Directorate of Electricity and Renewable Energy, to take over the project outcomes, develop an operational model, and organise the management and maintenance of operations.

The post-investment project management structure for maintaining the operational management of the Energy Information System has no revenue stream whatsoever; operational costs must be funded annually from the State Budget. Consequently, the establishment of a new Centre is not feasible. The Electricity and Renewable Energy Department proposes to expand the functions and responsibilities and adjust the management and operational workforce to sustain the post-investment operations of the Energy Information System by integrating them into the functions, responsibilities and organisational structure of the Electricity and Renewable Energy Consultancy, Training, Electricity Information and Renewable Energy (under the Directorate of Electricity) to recruit additional staff with high professional competence and ensure adequate technical infrastructure to sustainably support the effective operation and management of the Project post-investment.

Management, operation, maintenance, and periodic quarterly and annual data update costs are funded from the annual state budget. These costs are detailed and calculated in accordance with current regulations and submitted to the competent authority for approval to ensure that the Energy Information System, once operational, functions stably, effectively and sustainably.

II. ACTION PLAN

2.1 Action Plan

2.1.1 Phase 2022–September 2023

a) Developing the legal framework and preparing the information infrastructure

- Finalise, review and submit to the Ministry for approval the Report proposing the investment policy for the Energy Information System;
- Develop, review and submit the Energy Information System investment project for approval by the Ministry (detailed system design, information infrastructure requirements: hardware, software, security, organisation of operation and maintenance, etc.);

- Include the Energy Information System investment project in the annual public investment plan for implementation;

- Organise the selection of a consultancy contractor for the preparation of construction drawings and the investment estimate for the Project;

- Organise the review and submission to the Ministry of Industry and Trade for approval, or to the Electricity and Renewable Energy Agency (if authorised) for approval, of the construction drawings and investment estimates for the Project;

- Organise the selection of contractors and the signing of contracts for the procurement of equipment, software, construction and installation works, and other project packages;

b) Building organisational capacity and raising awareness

- Organise the dissemination of the contents of Circular No. 34 and related matters concerning VEIS to the leadership of VEIS focal points at central, local and enterprise levels (departments, bureaus, institutes, provincial departments, corporations and enterprises, etc.);

- Conduct regular professional training for specialists and technical staff at central and local energy information units (departments, bureaus, institutes, offices, corporations and enterprises, etc.);

- Conduct awareness-raising campaigns to enhance understanding of the energy information system among relevant stakeholders;

c) Carry out certain activities and complete some initial deliverables of the Energy Information System

- Collect data from sources within agencies and units under the Ministry of Industry and Trade; report on the results of data collection.

2.1.2 Phase: September 2023–2025

a) Finalise the legal framework and implement investment

During the 2024–2025 period, the Centre shall organise the drafting and submission for promulgation of various legal bases regarding the Energy Information System, specifically:

- + Decree No. 56/2025/NĐ-CP dated 3 March 2025 of the Government detailing certain provisions of the Electricity Law regarding electricity development planning, power grid development plans, investment in electricity projects, and tendering procedures for selecting investors in electricity business projects (Chapter III);

- + Circular No. 42/2024/TT-BCT dated 31 December 2024 of the Ministry of Industry and Trade amending and supplementing certain provisions of Circular No. 34/2019/TT-BCT dated 28 November 2019 on the energy information system;

- + Decision No. 804/QĐ-BCT dated 8 April 2024 of the Minister of Industry and Trade issuing the digital transformation plan for the energy sector up to 2025, with a vision to 2030.

b) Strengthening capacity building

- Organise a conference on digital transformation in the energy sector, hosted by the Ministry of Industry and Trade;

- Continue training technical staff at the system's focal points on the collection and operation of digitalised, online information systems;

- Train and build the capacity of relevant stakeholders in data analysis and synthesis methods, and the use of models to support analysis and the formulation of national energy development policies and strategies;

c) Improve, maintain and enhance the investment outputs of the Energy Information System

- Annually carry out energy data collection from sources within agencies and units under the Ministry of Industry and Trade; report on data collection results;

- Compile a comprehensive set of sector-specific energy data to support state management;

- Research and prepare national outlook reports;

- Finalise the set of energy indicators for public administration; finalise the energy production, export, import and consumption balance sheet.

2.2 Report on the implementation of the project ‘ ’

Report on the implementation results of the project to build the Vietnam Energy Information System, using non-repayable ODA funds funded by the European Union up to March 2025, including:

2.2.1 Tasks relating to the collection, processing, compilation and statistical analysis of energy information for 2023

During the 2023–2025 period, the Centre organised the implementation of the task of collecting, processing, compiling and analysing energy information for 2022 and prepared the 2022 Vietnam Energy Information Report. The report was reviewed and issued by the Ministry of Industry and Trade under Decision No. 3233/QĐ-BCT dated 9 December 2024, approving the 2022 Energy Information Report.

In 2025, the Centre undertook the task of collecting, processing, compiling and compiling statistics on energy information for 2024 (*covering data from 2023 and 2024*). The Ministry of Industry and Trade issued Decision No. 462/QĐ-BCT on 16 March 2026 regarding the establishment of the Review Board for the 2024 Energy Information Report. The review and finalisation of the 2024 Energy Information Report are scheduled for April 2026.

In 2026, the Centre was again tasked by the competent authority with organising the collection of energy data for 2025.

Organise a conference on digital transformation in the energy sector, to be hosted by the Ministry of Industry and Trade in November 2025;

2.2.2 Issuing legal documents on the energy information system for the 2024–2026 period

During the 2024–2025 period, the Centre will organise the drafting and submission for promulgation of various legal bases concerning the energy information system, specifically under the Electricity Law, Decree No. 56/2025/NĐ-CP and related documents as follows:

- Electricity Law No. 61/2024/QH15 dated 30 November 2024, in which Clause 3 of Article 8 stipulates “digital transformation, management and operation of information systems, data, and other scientific and technological applications in the electricity sector”;

- Decree No. 56/2025/NĐ-CP dated 3 March 2025, detailing certain provisions of the Electricity Law regarding electricity development planning, power grid development plans, investment in power projects and tendering procedures for selecting investors in power business projects, with Chapter III addressing digital transformation, the management and operation of information systems and data in the electricity sector.

- The Ministry of Industry and Trade issued Circular No. 42/2024/TT-BCT on 31 December 2024, amending and supplementing certain provisions of Circular No. 34/2019/TT-BCT on the Energy Information System (VEIS) with a view to strengthening the institutional framework for VEIS;

- The Ministry of Industry and Trade issued Decision No. 804/QĐ-BCT dated 8 April 2024 on the digital transformation plan for the energy sector up to 2025, with a vision towards 2030.

2.2.3 Legal documents regarding the Energy Information System project

In 2026, the Electricity Department (with the Centre as the focal point) organised the drafting, submission for review and issuance of several legal documents regarding the development of the Energy Information System, as follows:

- Decision No. 3274/QĐ-BCT dated 7 November 2025 of the Ministry of Industry and Trade approving the terms of reference and investment preparation budget for the project on the construction of the Vietnam Energy Information System;

- Decision No. 01/QĐ-ĐL dated 6 January 2026 of the Director General of the Electricity Department approving the Plan for the Selection of Contractors for the Investment Preparation Task of the Project for the Construction of the Vietnam Energy Information System;

- Decision No. 43/QĐ-ĐL dated 3 February 2026 of the Director General of the Electricity Department approving the results of the contractor selection for Tender Package No. 01: Survey and preparation of the feasibility study report under the investment preparation budget for the project: Investment in the Construction of the Vietnam Energy Information System.

2.2.3 Assessment

Currently, the entire construction investment component of the system has not been implemented in accordance with the 2023 plan (Plan in Section 2.1 – Action Plan, page 10 of the report). The delay is due to the SETP Programme not yet having been approved by the competent authorities for certain procedures regarding domestic public investment to facilitate implementation.

2.3 Implementation Plan for 2025–2026

Task of collecting, processing, compiling and compiling energy statistics for 2025

The Centre is responsible for carrying out the task of collecting, processing, compiling and compiling energy statistics for 2025.

Vietnam–EU Sustainable Energy Transition Technical Assistance Project (EVSET)

In collaboration with the Electricity Grid and Rural Electricity Division, the EU, and the technical support consultancy, organise the implementation of technical support activities for 2025:

- + Organise the implementation of Task 1.10.1 (D4 report completed);
- + Task 1.7.1: Disseminate Circular 42 and promote digital transformation in the electricity and energy sectors;
- + Task 1.11.1: Support the preparation of the Feasibility Study (FS) for the VEIS project.
- Organise the preparation, submission for review and issuance of the FE for the VEIS project; complete the tasks of the VEIS project's investment preparation phase; commence construction and complete the investment and construction of the project by 2026.