

NOTICES FROM MEMBER STATES

Notice on the availability of areas in Austria for the prospection, exploration and production of hydrocarbons

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With reference to Article 3(3) of Directive 94/22/EC ⁽¹⁾, the Federal Minister for Agriculture, Regions and Tourism of the Republic of Austria hereby gives notice that, in accordance with the Mineral Raw Materials Act (Federal Law Gazette (BGBl.) I No 38/1999), as last amended by Federal Act published in BGBl. I No 104/2019, the whole national territory of the Republic of Austria is available on a permanent basis within the meaning of Article 3(3) provided that there are no existing prospection, production and storage contracts relating to hydrocarbons, or existing mining rights which also include hydrocarbons. Detailed information on this matter may be obtained from the Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Regions and Tourism, Section IV (Telecommunications, Postal Services and Mining), Stubenring 1, 1010 Vienna, Austria.

This notice replaces the notice from the Republic of Austria published in *Official Journal of the European Union* C 152 of 8 May 2015, page 11.

⁽¹⁾ Directive 94/22/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 30 May 1994 on the conditions for granting and using authorisations for the prospection, exploration and production of hydrocarbons (OJ L 164, 30.6.1994, p. 3).