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The former president of ENEA SA detained. The purchase of the energy bridge Poland-Belarus brought losses of 15 million zł

Agents from the Poznań Regional Office of the CBA have detained in Warsaw today Maciej O., the former president of the management board of the energy company ENEA S.A. The case concerns an unfavorable contract for the purchase of a power line signed in 2011 to link Poland with Belarus. The state-owned company was to lose at least 15 million zlotys.

This is another detention in this investigation. Four weeks earlier, the officers of the Central Anticorruption Bureau detained former vice-presidents of the board of Enea S.A. Maksymilian G. and Krzysztof Z. The findings of the CBA indicate that the suspects, by their actions, caused property damage to the managed energy company in large sizes of no less than 15 million zł. As persons obliged to deal with property matters of Enea S.A. with headquarters in Poznań, acting jointly and in agreement and in order to gain financial benefits by another person, abused their powers.

The president of Enea SA detained today by the CBA will be charged in the Wielkopolska Department of the National Prosecutor's Office in Poznań.

The Regional Office of the CBA in Poznań, under the supervision of the Wielkopolska Terrain Division of the Department of Organized Crime and Corruption of the Public Prosecutor's Office in Poznań, is investigating Enea S.A.'s failure to perform its duties and causing property damage in economic transactions in large sizes.

The case investigated by the CBA concerns the purchase for over 15 million zł by Enea S.A. a package of more than half of the shares of A. company, which was the owner of a part of the 110 kV overhead power line from Brześć to Wólka Dobrzyńska.

The transaction took place in August 2011. The purchase was made from Z. Ltd. company from a tax heaven, from a Cyprus law entity. At the same time, the appearance of an advantageous for Enea S.A. undertaking to create an energy "bridge" to serve for export and transit of energy through the Belarus system to the Polish and EU market was made.

The CBA findings indicate that the energy "bridge" was purchased by Enea without sufficient analysis. It was also known that the purchase of shares in A. company was not necessary for electricity trading through Belarus. The line did not have enough power. No trade agreements were previously concluded and there was nothing to be sent. In addition, it turned out that the power line had already been leased in full for many years (until 2025) to another company owned by Cypriot Z. Ltd. company.

In the course of the investigation conducted by the CBA, it was established that the members of the Enea SA Board failed to fulfill their obligations, acting jointly and in agreement with other persons, and for the purpose of obtaining financial benefits by another person concluded a contract and transferred over a dozen or million zlotys to the bank accounts of the Cypriot bank in Larnaca - in a situation where the purchased company did not conduct any economic activity at that time and generated losses.



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