

PRESS RELEASE

**Severe penalties of imprisonment for electricity thefts in the Region of West Thessaloniki**

Businessmen in the region of West Thessaloniki were sentenced to severe penalties of imprisonment following evidenced cases of electricity theft.

More analytically, the specially trained technical staff of HEDNO, after carrying out scheduled but also targeted inspections in the region of West Thessaloniki, spotted numerous cases of electricity thefts, some of which were recently brought to Justice.

The following sentences were judged by the criminal courts:

1. Knitting manufacturer was sentenced to two (2) years of imprisonment, which was converted to a fine of EUR twenty-five (25) for each day of imprisonment, for stealing electrical power.
2. Owner of an Internet-cafe/ gaming business was sentenced to eighteen (18) months of imprisonment with a three-year suspension of sentence for stealing electrical power.
3. Owner of a confectionery was sentenced to eighteen (18) months of imprisonment with a three-year suspension of sentence for stealing electrical power.
4. Frozen dough products manufacturer was sentenced to eight (8) months of imprisonment with a three-year suspension of sentence for stealing electrical power.
5. Owner of a steak-house was sentenced to ten (10) months of imprisonment with a three-year suspension of sentence for stealing electrical power.
6. Owner of a mini market was sentenced to eight (8) months of imprisonment with a three-year suspension of sentence for stealing electrical power.

The inspections carried out by HEDNO's technical staff to minimize electrical power losses continue at very intensive paces and it is reminded, once again, that the great experience of the Company's crews and the diligent work of its executives to document and calculate the quantity of stolen electrical power



makes it impossible for the culprits to hide the practice of stealing electricity and avoid the consequences of their actions.

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