## THIS NOTICE IS IMPORTANT AND REQUIRES THE IMMEDIATE ATTENTION OF NOTEHOLDERS. IF NOTEHOLDERS ARE IN ANY DOUBT AS TO THE ACTION THEY SHOULD TAKE, THEY SHOULD CONSULT THEIR OWN INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS PROMPTLY

### **EPH Financing International, a.s.**

(incorporated as a joint stock company under the laws of the Czech Republic)

### NOTICE

#### to the holders of

- (i) EUR 500,000,000 6.651 per cent. Guaranteed Notes due 2028,ISIN: XS2716891440, Common Code: 271689144 (the "2028 Notes"); and
- (ii) EUR 500,000,000 5.875 per cent. Guaranteed Notes due 2029 ISIN: XS2822505439 Common Code: 282250543 (the "2029 Notes" and collectively with the 2028 Notes the "Notes").

#### 14 November 2024

EPH Financing International, a.s. (the "**Issuer**") hereby gives notice to holders of the outstanding Notes (collectively the "**Noteholders**") that (i) pursuant to the applicable provisions of Czech law, payments of interest in respect of the Notes may be subject to Withholding Tax, (ii) Beneficial Ownership Information is required in respect of all Beneficial Owners of the Notes to grant a Tax Relief, if available, and (iii) withholding will apply (without a requirement on the Issuer to gross-up any payments) if such information is not delivered to the Issuer.

As the Issuer appreciates that the need to collect Beneficial Ownership Information is relatively new, the purpose of this Notice is to remind the Noteholders of the requirement to provide the Beneficial Ownership Information and to inform the Noteholders of the procedures for supplying the Beneficial Ownership Information and claiming refund of the amounts withheld by the Issuer.

The Issuer hereby gives notice to the Noteholders that, in relation to the Interest Payment Date in respect of the 2028 Notes falling on 13 November 2024 and the Interest Payment Date in respect of the 2029 Notes falling on 30 November 2024, it has not received Beneficial Ownership Information from certain Noteholders. In relation to Noteholders from whom Beneficial Ownership Information is not provided in time, the payment of interest has been or will be made net of a 35% Withholding Tax in accordance with applicable tax laws and the Conditions of the Notes.

The Issuer therefore hereby reminds Noteholders who have not already done so to supply to the Issuer the Beneficial Ownership Information as soon as practicable. The tax relief at source and refund procedures for the Czech Republic implemented by Euroclear and Clearstream, Luxembourg to facilitate collection of the Beneficial Ownership Information are available at the website of the International Capital Market Services Association at www.icmsa.org as amended or replaced from time to time (the "**Certification Procedures**").

Please note that the Certification Procedures set out, among other things, a Quick Refund Procedure and a Standard Refund Procedure pursuant to which Noteholders who are entitled to a Tax Relief but for whom Beneficial Ownership Information was not provided in time may receive a refund of the withheld amounts in certain circumstances.

The Issuer recommends that Noteholders (i) review the Certification Procedures and the base prospectus which was prepared in respect of the Notes (as supplemented from time to time, the "**Base Prospectus**") and is available on the Issuer's website for further information in relation to the Certification Procedures and the Czech tax treatment of the Notes and (ii) seek professional advice (if and as relevant) to satisfy themselves that they comply with all the applicable procedures, requirements, and tax laws and regulations.

Terms defined in the Base Prospectus shall have the same meaning in this notice unless the context requires otherwise.

This Notice is given by:

EPH Financing International, a.s.

14 November 2024

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