

## Official opening of NIS Petrol station in the Republic of Srpska

On 24th January 2013, the petrol station under "NIS Petrol" brand was officially opened for operation in Banja Luka (as of December 2012, the petrol station "Laktaši jezero" operated under test regime).

At the newly opened petrol station, the clients will have a wide portfolio of top quality motor fuels and technical liquids at their disposal: Euro-premium gasoline BMB95, BMB98 and BMB95, as well as Euro-diesel and fuel D2, LPG and ecological additive "Ad Blue", for freight diesel vehicles.

Restaurant and café services are also available to petrol station "Laktaši jezero" clients, as well as a shop with a wide portfolio of products, the service shop for car cleaning and a compressor for tyre inflating.

The state-of-the-art materials and technologies in accordance with the EU standards have been used for the modernization of the petrol station. The investments in the reconstruction of the station are worth of around one million Euro.

Under the retail network development program in the Balkan region, NIS plans to start the operation of 36 petrol stations in the territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina in the Balkan region in 2013. Around 90 million Euro in total will have been invested in the network development by the end of the year.

"Entering the market of Bosnia and Herzegovina is a strategic step for NIS". Upon completion of modernization of Pančevo Oil Refinery, we are in position to produce sufficient quantities of quality fuel of Euro-5 standard and we may allow ourselves an active operation in the regional fuel market.

"In parallel with a strict quality control of fuel, we keep working on the improvement of service and technical equipment quality at our petrol stations. In addition, in order to achieve a higher operational efficiency, we plan to supplement our retail network in BiH with the premium brand "Gazprom". We pay a special attention to implementing a flexible pricing policy. All these factors allow us to compete successfully with the existing networks in regional markets. We expect that NIS retail network will soon take a reputable position among the most successful players at the Balkans ", said NIS Chief Executive Officer, Mr. Kirill Kravchenko.

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