

## Press Release

# **ENTSOG** launches two consultations for draft Project Plans on:

- The development of the Network Code on Rules regarding Harmonised Transmission Tariff Structures for Gas
  - Amendment proposals to the Network Code on Capacity
     Allocations Mechanisms on the matter of incremental and new capacity

(Brussels 19 December 2013, PR055-13) On 19 December 2013 the European Commission sent to the European Network of Transmission System Operators for gas (ENTSOG) two invitations: (1) to draft a Network Code on Tariff Structures in Gas Transmission Networks (the TAR NC); and (2) to draft an amendment on incremental and new capacity to the Network Code on Capacity Allocation Mechanisms (the incremental proposal).

This incremental proposal will also affect parts of the TAR NC (as foreseen by Sections 2.4.1 and 3.5 of the Tariff Framework Guidelines). These two elements are combined in the draft Project Plan for the incremental proposal.

Today, ENTSOG launches a public consultation on the draft Project Plans for the development of respectively the TAR NC and the incremental proposal in accordance with Article 6(6) and 7(1) of Regulation (EC) No 715/2009. This work requires the involvement of all stakeholders in order to ensure that the TAR NC and the incremental proposal are comprehensive and robust, and to ensure a transparent process. Therefore, ENTSOG invites all stakeholders to participate in the current consultations on the draft Project Plans to help shape the process for developing the TAR NC and the incremental proposal.



ENTSOG also encourages all stakeholders to participate actively in the upcoming Stakeholder Joint Working Sessions (SJWS) as mentioned in the draft Project Plans. In addition, two Kick-Off Meetings will take place in Brussels on **Tuesday 14 January 2014 for the incremental proposal** and on **Wednesday 15 January 2014 for the TAR NC**. Further details regarding registration will be provided on the ENTSOG website.

#### Consultation on the TAR NC draft Project Plan:

- The draft Project Plan is available <u>here</u>;
- The consultation questionnaire is available <u>here</u>.

Should you require any further information about the consultation or the Kick-Off Meeting for the TAR NC, please contact:

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### Consultation on the incremental proposal draft Project Plan:

- The draft Project Plan is available <a href="here">here</a>;
- The consultation guestionnaire is available here.

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Both consultations start today (19 December 2013) and will be open until **Monday 20 January 2014, 10.00 (CET)**.

#### **Editorial notes**

- > ENTSOG was founded on 1 December 2009 in line with Regulation (EC) No 715/2009. The current number of Members, Associated Partners and Observers can be found under this link.
- In line with Articles 6, 7 and 8 of Regulation (EC) No 715/2009, ENTSOG has the task of elaborating network codes in a number of areas and of adopting various communications: a non-binding Community-wide ten-year network development plan on biennial basis; summer and winter supply outlooks; common network operation tools; recommendations relating to the coordination of technical cooperation between Community and third-country TSOs; annual work programmes and annual reports.