

Press Release

ENTSOG informs about the beginning of the incremental capacity process 2019

(Brussels, 27 June 2019, PR0186-19) **The incremental capacity process 2019 will start on 1 July 2019, as required by Regulation (EU) 2017/459 (Chapter V) on the amendment of the Capacity Allocation Mechanism Network Code (CAM NC). This Regulation establishes the main steps to be followed for carrying out the incremental capacity process.**

The Regulation states that TSOs shall cooperate on assessing market demand for incremental capacity and conducting technical studies for incremental capacity projects for their joint Interconnection Points (IPs) at least in each odd-numbered year, **immediately after the start of the annual yearly capacity auction**. Therefore, **the market demand assessment for incremental capacity, which constitutes the start of the incremental capacity process, will be conducted in 2019 once the yearly auctions take place on 1 July.**

No later than 8 weeks (26 August 2019 at the latest) after the start of the incremental capacity process, non-binding demand indications for incremental capacity are required to be submitted by network users to the affected Transmission System Operators (TSOs). ENTSOG has developed a standardised Demand Indication template (available on ENTSOG's website, [here](#)) as a reference document to express non-binding demand indications to TSOs. The relevant documentation to be completed by network users to participate in the incremental capacity process is published on the TSOs' websites together with other possible specific information on the procedure.

Based on the demand expressed by the network users, TSOs will create demand assessment reports evaluating the prospective need for incremental capacity and stating whether an incremental capacity project will be initiated. The market demand assessment report will be published on the websites of the TSOs concerned no later than 16 weeks (21 October 2019 at the latest) after the start of the incremental capacity process.

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Editorial notes

- > ENTSOG was founded on 1 December 2009 in line with Regulation (EC) 715/2009. The current number of Members, Associated Partners and Observers can be found [at this link](#).
- > In line with Articles 6, 7 and 8 of the Regulation (EC) 715/2009, ENTSOG has the task of formulating 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; Winter and Summer 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.