Demand assessment report for the incremental capacity process starting 2021 between the Czech Republic and the German market area Trading Hub Europe where no non-binding demand indications were received

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A. Non-binding demand indications

In line with Art. 26 of Regulation (EU) 2017/459, the transmission systems operators conducting this market demand assessment report gave network users the opportunity to submit non-binding demand indications to quantify their potential demand for incremental capacity. The period for submission on both sides of the border between the Czech market area and the German market area Trading Hub Europe (THE) was from 05 July to 30 August 2021.

Within this period, no non-binding demand indications regarding the respective border were received by the TSOs. Non-binding demand indications received after the deadline will be considered in the next market demand assessment report.

B. Demand assessment

i. Historical usage pattern

As stated above, for the incremental capacity cycle addressed by this report, no non-binding market demand indications were received. Therefore, an analysis of the historical capacity utilization between the respective entry-exit systems to support the assessment of the demand for incremental capacity is not necessary.

ii. Relations to GRIPS, TYNDP, NDPs

None of the relevant GRIPs, TYNDP or NDPs identified a need for incremental capacity. This conclusion was further confirmed by the market not submitting any non-binding market demand indications.

iii. Expected amount, direction and duration of demand for incremental capacity

Bearing in mind the elements mentioned above, there is no demand for incremental capacity identified stemming either out of market indications or other sources.

C. Conclusion for the (non)-initiation of an incremental capacity project

Considering the elements mentioned in sections A and B of this report, at this stage no argument has been identified to consider starting an incremental capacity project. This does not preclude making conclusions from a follow-up demand assessment exercise. Hence, for the entry-exit systems addressed by this report, no incremental capacity project nor technical studies will be initiated based on this market demand assessment report.

D. Provisional timeline

For the time being, no incremental capacity project will be initiated. The next incremental market demand assessment process will start after the yearly capacity auction in 2023.

E. Interim arrangements for auctioning existing capacity of the IP(s) concerned

Due to the fact that no incremental capacity project will be initiated based on this market demand assessment, interim arrangements are not required for the time being.

F. Fees

For the incremental capacity cycle addressed in this report, none of the involved TSOs introduced a fee for the evaluation and processing of non-binding demand indications.

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