

DRAFT ENTSOG Practical implementation document for developing the 10-year network development plan (TYNDP)



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1 Introduction

The present document provides guidance to the project promoters on the procedural steps and administrative and technical requirements the project promoters need to comply with to have their projects included in the Union-wide 10-year network development plan ("TYNDP"). ENTSOG shall adopt the TYNDP every two years pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 715/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on conditions for access to the natural gas transmission networks and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1775/2005 (hereafter "Regulation 715/2009").

In line with the Regulation (EC) No 347/2013 on guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure and repealing Decision No 1364/2006/EC and amending Regulations (EC) No 713/2009, (EC) No 714/2009 and (EC) No 715/2009 (hereafter "Regulation 347/2013"), the Guidelines are addressed to all project promoters which are planning to develop a gas infrastructure project of European relevance: gas transmission pipeline, underground storage facilities, reception and storage and regasification or decompression facilities for liquefied natural gas (LNG) or compressed natural gas (CNG) or any equipment or installation essential for the system to operate safely, securely and efficiently or to enable bidirectional capacity. Gas infrastructure can be an essential part of the future energy system, enabling the implementation of both existing and innovative carbon neutral gas technologies. Therefore, in line with the sustainability criteria defined in art. 4 of the Regulation 347/2013, promoters sponsoring projects aiming at reducing emissions, supporting intermittent renewables generation and enhancing the deployment of renewable gas (e.g. biomethane or power-to-gas) can submit their projects to TYNDP.

Project promoters are advised to read these guidelines so that they understand the:

- Type of applicant the project promoter is;
- Administrative and technical criteria the promoters and their projects will be required to meet;
- Documents and information they will be required to submit to fulfil the criteria;
- Use and circulation of the information submitted, and;
- Other use of information regarding their application, including useful contact details.

By describing the TYNDP development - including application procedure, timelines, administrative and technical requirements, project promoters' rights, access to data and confidentiality principles— these guidelines implement the TEN-E Regulation Annex III 2.5 requirement of ensuring equal treatment and transparency of the TYNDP process.

2 TYNDP process

In order to ensure greater transparency regarding the development of the gas transmission network in the EU, ENTSOG shall draw up, publish and regularly update a non-binding TYNDP.



The TYNDP is a biennial plan built upon national and regional development plans as well as planned developments at a European scale. It aims at developing a European supply adequacy outlook and assessment of the resilience of the gas system, including identification of the investment gaps by identifying where missing infrastructure prevents achieving the pillars of the internal energy market. Furthermore, the TYNDP assesses how the submitted projects contribute to the improvement of the European gas system, mitigating the identified infrastructure gaps. The TYNDP also acts as a basis to derive the list of PCIs in the gas sector. The TYNDP process is represented in a schematic way in Figure 1 below:



^{*}Timeline and related described stages refer to TYNDP 2018 and are subject to the approval of the updated CBA Methodology 2.0).

Source: ENTSOG Annual Working Programme 2018

Figure 1: Phases and timeline of the TYNDP 2018 development

Candidates will have to submit their project applications within a particular data collection window of minimum 4 weeks which will be advertised/communicated by ENTSOG in due time. ENTSOG will consider these applications and their compliance with the criteria set out in section 4 below.

The submission of projects will be done by promoters through an online tool (except for renewable gas projects) created by ENTSOG, when the data collection window is open. For accessing the data collection portal, each promoter has to have valid credentials given by ENTSOG at request. New project promoters should request the credentials to ENTSOG.

The TYNDP Project Data Collection process is supported by an Information Package which will be made available to the project promoters in due time.

Promoters of projects already included in the previous TYNDP and having the intention to be part of the TYNDP under preparation shall officially make a new re-submission for inclusion in the new TYNDP. However, the inclusion of such a project will benefit of a simplified application process for the current TYNDP under a form of pre-filled questionnaire with the latest available data, where applicable.

Failing to provide the necessary information to meet the criteria within the Project Data Collection phase will result in the project not being included nor assessed in the relevant TYNDP.



The validation window follows the data collection window and takes approximately 4 weeks. During this window, the ENTSOG staff will check the submitted projects, and where necessary will contact the relevant Project Promoters for clarifications.

Within 2 months after the close of the validation phase, ENTSOG will made public on its website the list of projects accepted for inclusion in the TYNDP. In advance of the list publication, ENTSOG informs and justifies to the relevant promoters about any rejection of their project from inclusion in the TYNDP.

3 Link between the TYNDP and PCI process

In order to comply with the Regulation (EU) 347/2013 Annex III.2 (4) gas projects **shall be part of the latest available TYNDP** to be eligible for inclusion in the Union list of projects of common interest (PCIs).

Once part of the TYNDP, projects wanting to obtain the status of Projects of Common Interest can submit an application for selection as project of common interest during the PCI candidate submission phase and in line with the steps defined in the specific PCI process. The PCI selection is a process separate from the TYNDP process and under the responsibility of the TEN-E Regional Groups led by the European Commission.

4 Criteria to be fulfilled in order to allow a project to be part of the TYNDP

This chapter includes the administrative and technical criteria that each candidate project of European relevance shall fulfil in order to be included in the TYNDP. Failure to provide the necessary information to meet the administrative and technical criteria within the within the Project Data Collection phase, will result in the project not being included in the relevant TYNDP. The administrative and technical criteria below are grouped based on the type of the promoter, the type of the project (transmission, storage or LNG) and the maturity of the project.

A TYNDP project promoter can fall under the following categories:

- **A.** Promoter of gas transmission infrastructure project certified or exempted in line with the Directive 2009/73/EC¹ and Regulation (EC) No 715/2009, which can be either:
 - A.1 Project promoters which are certified and member of ENTSOG
 - A.2 Project promoters which are certified but not member of ENTSOG
 - **A.3** Project promoters which are exempted from unbundling in accordance with Article 49 of Directive (EC) No 73/2009.
- B. Project promoter of gas transmission infrastructure projects not certified / not exempted in line with the Directive 2009/73/EC:

¹ 2009/73/EC Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 concerning common rules for the internal market in gas and repealing Directive 2003/55/EC



- **B.1** Project promoters from countries being contracting parties to the Energy Community, as well as Norway and Switzerland
- **B.2** Any other project promoters not bound by the EU regulated framework (Turkmenistan, Turkey, etc.)
- **B.3 Governmental Bodies**

C. Project promoters of storage projects

- C.1 Companies
- C.2 Governmental Bodies
- D. Project promoters of LNG projects and CNG projects.
 - **D.1** Companies
 - D.2 Governmental Bodies

E. Project promoters of renewable gas projects (biomethane or power-to-gas).

There are criteria applicable for all projects and others applicable only for projects "under consideration" or for projects "under design & permitting, construction".

The status "under consideration" and "under design & permitting, construction" have been created for the purposes of this document and therefore shall be interpreted as different compared to the project status described in the CBA Methodology and used in the TYNDP to derive the so called Infrastructure Levels. Please refer to chapter 6 for the definition of the project status.

4.1 Transmission projects

4.1.1 Administrative criteria

The following table shows the list of administrative pass-fail criteria. All criteria must be fulfilled.

No	Criteria	A.1	A.2	A.3+B
1	Company existence (all)	The project promoter shall registered undertaking that date of submission (for proless than 1 year (only for proless than 2).	t has been in existence for ojects "under design & per	at least 1 year before the mitting, construction") or
2	Financial strength (all)	The assets of the undertaking EUR.	ng or its shareholders shall a	imount to at least 1 million

²For the purpose of this document, a project "under consideration" is a project at an early stage and which has not yet completed the phase of a pre-feasibility or, in case the pre-feasibility study was not performed at all, a feasibility study.

³ For the purpose of this document, a project "under design & permitting, construction" is a project which has completed the phase of a pre-feasibility or, in case the pre-feasibility study was not performed at all, a feasibility study.



3	Technical expertise	The project promoter has the technical expertise to realize the project by its own
	(all)	or by using subcontractors.

The following table shows a list of alternative administrative criteria. **At least one criteria must be fulfilled**.

No	Criteria	A.1	A.2	A.3+B
4	PCI (all)	The project is a PCI in the I	atest available PC	I list
5	National plan (under design & permitting, construction)	Inclusion in the latest avail Plan (NDP)	able FINALISED Na	ational Development
6	National plan (under consideration)	Inclusion in the latest ava Plan	ailable DRAFT ⁴ Na	itional Development
7	Agreement with the Member State (MS) / National Regulatory Authority (NRA) (under consideration)	Project shall have a signed or NRAs	d agreement with	the competent MSs
8	Exemption process (under design & permitting, construction)	Valid (not rejected) app European regulations or e		emption under the
9	TSO agreement (under design & permitting, construction)	Agreement with the development of the submi Feasibility / pre-feasibility	tted project OR	
10	Decision for studies (under consideration)	Internal decision to perfor	m a feasibility / pı	re-feasibility study

4.1.2 Technical criteria

The following table shows the list of technical pass-fail criteria. All criteria must be fulfilled.

No	Criteria	A.1	A.2	A.3+B
11	Technical			th the purpose to transmit gas
	description		•	a pipeline with the purpose to
		transmit gas to/from an ir	nterconnection point.	
12	Location	The project to be at least partially located in one of the countries included in the		
		geographical perimeter ⁵ of the TYNDP plus countries hosting gas "supply chain" projects		
		bringing new gas sources to EU border.		
13	Project data	All the project characteristics necessary for the assessment. The detail of this data is		
		included in the TYNDP Pro	ject data collection handboo	ok ⁶ .

⁴ DRAFT national development plan means a NDP prepared by the TSO (or TSOs or responsible entity) which has not yet completed the scrutiny process in its country (e.g. it did not yet receive the MS or NRA approval, it did not yet receive the MS or NRA evaluation/opinion).

⁵ The geographical perimeter of the TYNDP covers the EU-28 countries as well as Switzerland, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (FYROM).

⁶ The Project Data collection handbook also describes which information is considered mandatory to be provided by the project promoters.



NOTE: In case of projects of gas equipment or installation such as gas compressor stations, regulation stations, etc. the administrative criteria described in section 4.1.1 shall apply. The technical condition for these projects to be included in the TYNDP is that the respective equipment or installation is part/connected of/to a gas transmission pipeline as defined in section 4.1.2 (11).

4.2 Storage projects

4.2.1 Administrative criteria

The following table shows the list of administrative pass-fail criteria. All criteria must be fulfilled.

No	Criteria	Promoter C
1	Company existence	The project promoter shall be a registered undertaking or a subsidiary of a
	(all)	registered undertaking that has been in existence for at least 1 year before the
		date of submission (for projects "under design & permitting, construction") or
		less than 1 year (only for project "under consideration")
2	Financial strength	The assets of the undertaking or its shareholders shall amount to at least 1
	(all)	million EUR
3	Technical expertise	The project promoter has the technical expertise to realize the project by its own
	(all)	or by using subcontractors

The following table shows a list of alternative administrative criteria. At least one criteria must be fulfilled.

No	Criteria	Promoter C
4	PCI (all)	The project is a PCI in the latest available PCI list
5	National plan (under	Inclusion in the latest FINALISED available National Development Plan (NDP)
	design & permitting,	
	construction)	
6	National plan (under	Inclusion in the latest available DRAFT national plan of the country where the
	consideration)	storage will be built
7	TSO agreement (under	Signed connection agreement with the concerned TSO OR
	design & permitting,	Feasibility / pre-feasibility study for the project
	construction)	
8	Decision for studies	Internal decision of the SSO to perform a feasibility / pre-feasibility study
	(under consideration)	

4.2.2 Technical criteria

The following table shows the list of technical pass-fail criteria. All criteria must be fulfilled.

No	Criteria	Promoter C
9	Technical	The project shall be a new gas storage facility used for storing gas in underground
	description	reservoirs (depleted gas fields, salt caverns or aquifer) under pressure or an upgrade of
		an existing gas storage, to be connected to a gas transmission pipeline as defined in



		section 4.1.2 (11), aiming at promoting at least one of the following technical characteristics:		
	- working gas volume			
		- injection and/or withdrawal rate		
		, .		
10	Location	The project to be at least partially located in one of the countries included in the		
		geographical perimeter of the TYNDP.		
11	Project data	All the project characteristics necessary for the assessment. The detail of this data is		
		included in the TYNDP Project data collection handbook.		

4.3 LNG projects and CNG projects

4.3.1 Administrative criteria

The following table shows the list of administrative pass-fail criteria. All criteria must be fulfilled.

No	Criteria	Promoter D
1	Company	The project promoter shall be a registered undertaking or a subsidiary of a registered
	existence (all)	undertaking that has been in existence for at least 1 year before the date of
		submission (for projects "under design, & permitting, construction") or less than 1
		year (only for project "under consideration")
2	Financial	The assets of the undertaking or its shareholders shall amount to at least 1 million
	strength (all)	EUR
3	Technical	The project promoter has the technical expertise to realize the project by its own or
	expertize (all)	by using subcontractors

The following table shows a list of alternative administrative criteria. **At least one criteria must be fulfilled**.

No	Criteria	Promoter D
4	PCI (all)	The project is a PCI in the latest available PCI list
5	National plan (under	Inclusion in the latest FINALISED available National Development Plan (NDP)
	design & permitting,	
	construction)	
6	National plan (under	Inclusion in the latest available DRAFT national plan of the country where the
	consideration)	LNG facility will be built
7	TSO agreement	Signed connection agreement with the concerned TSO OR
	(under design &	Feasibility / pre-feasibility study for the project
	permitting,	
	construction)	
8	Decision for studies	Internal decision of the LSO to perform a feasibility / pre-feasibility study
	(under consideration)	

4.3.2 Technical criteria

The following table shows the list of technical pass-fail criteria. All criteria must be fulfilled.



No	Criteria	Promoter D				
9	Technical	The project shall be a new LNG/CNG terminal/facility or an upgrade of an existing				
	description (all)	terminal, to be connected to a gas transmission pipeline as defined in section 4.1.2				
		(11), aiming at promoting at least one of the following technical				
		features/characteristics:				
		-Send-out (regasification or decompression) capacity and number of vaporizers.				
		-LNG storage capacity and number of LNG tanks (only LNG projects).				
		-Range of ship size to be received in an LNG terminal and number of jetties (only LNG				
		projects).				
10	Location (all)	The project to be at least partially located in one of the countries included in the				
		geographical perimeter of the TYNDP.				
11	Project data (all)	All the project characteristics necessary for the assessment. The detail of this data is				
		included in the TYNDP Project data collection handbook.				

4.4 Renewable gas projects

4.4.1 Administrative criteria

The following table shows the list of the administrative pass-fail criteria. **All criteria must be fulfilled**.

No	Criteria	Promoter E
1	Company existence	The project promoter shall be a registered undertaking or a subsidiary of a
	(all)	registered undertaking that has been in existence for at least 1 year before the
		date of submission (for projects "under design & permitting, construction") or
		less than 1 year (only for project "under consideration")
2	Financial strength	The assets of the undertaking or its shareholders shall amount to at least 1
	(all)	million EUR
3	Technical expertise	The project promoter has the technical expertise to realize the project by its own
	(all)	or by using subcontractors

4.4.2 Technical criteria

The following table shows of the list pass-fail criteria. All criteria must be fulfilled.

No	Criteria	Promoter E
4	Technical description	The project is a renewable energy project which is physically connected to a gas transmission pipeline as defined in section 4.1.2 (11).
5	Location	The project to be at least partially located in one of the countries included in the geographical perimeter of the TYNDP.

5 Data handling and access to the assessment

5.1 Access to and usage of the provided data and documentation

The **documents** provided by the project promoters during the submission phase to prove the fulfilment of the administrative and technical criteria **will be solely used by ENTSOG** to ensure



compliance with the criteria defined in this document and will be treated as confidential by ENTSOG, in line with the internal rules, unless already public.

The technical input provided by the project promoters as part of the project data collection as well as the benefits of the projects assessed in accordance with the CBA methodology in force will be made public by ENTSOG within the TYNDP processes and TYNDP document.

The cost data submitted by the project promoters for the projects to be included in the TYNDPs will be made public by ENTSOG unless the data is deemed confidential by the respective project promoters. Such information may be still published as part of the TYNDP Report, but only on an aggregated, non-identifiable manner.

5.2 Correction of project input data

The project promoter is **fully responsible for the correctness and completeness of the information** that it provides in the TYNDP process.

In case of incomplete submission of information during the application period, ENTSOG will send a request to the Project promoter to complete the missing information within a specific window of submission.

In case the missing information is not provided to ENTSOG and, where applicable, this missing information prevents the TYNDP assessment, this specific project will be disregarded, and not included in the TYNDP.

With respect to the corrections of the project information, they shall be dealt with in the following manner:

- In case of incorrect information submitted within the data collection window the project promoter shall perform the correction of the data through the ENTSOG project portal, not later than by the end of the validation phase.
- Between the validation phase and the draft TYNDP public consultation, project promoter shall inform ENTSOG by e-mail of any incorrect information as long as it refers to elements that would not impact on the TYNDP assessment and TYNDP timeline. This correction will be included in the respective TYNDP project sheet and be clearly labelled with the date of information submission.

5.3 Access to assessment results

Where relevant and in accordance with the CBA methodology in force and in line with the timeline described in chapter 2, ENTSOG will deliver to the project promoters at least one month in advance of the final TYNDP publication their project's assessment results, if not differently specified in the latest available Annual Working Programme⁷. On review of these results, project promoters may have questions or queries with regard to the results which can

⁷ The ENTSOG Annual Working Programme is a document detailing all the activities to be performed by ENTSOG within a calendar year, including an indicative calendar. The Programme is prepared in accordance with the Regulation 715/2009 and it is available on ENTSOG website.



be dealt on a bilateral basis. If deemed necessary, a request can be made to ENTSOG for a bilateral meeting by sending a request for a meeting to the contact details as set out in Annex 1 of these guidelines. This request should include a brief description of the topics and issues that the project promoter may wish to discuss, including the project promoters' upcoming availability.

Beyond the results published in the TYNDP report, every project promoter is entitled to access more detailed information, as far as it is available to ENTSOG in the framework of the assessment process and is in line with the obligation in the terms of confidentiality.

ENTSOG will be hosting public workshops at key stages in the development of the TYNDP to consult on the associated methodologies and results. Project promoters are strongly advised to contribute through these workshops to the ongoing development of the TYNDP. These workshops are advertised on ENTSOG's website.

5.4 Right to request a review

All information submitted in the ENTSOG project data collection template as part of the application process for TYNDP shall be treated in line with section 5.1 above.

In case of disagreement with the ENTSOG decision on a project rejection, the concerned project promoter shall contest ENTSOG decision by email within two weeks from the notification of the project rejection (as per chapter 2).

In case of a disagreement with ENTSOG's assessment, conducted in accordance with the CBA methodology in force, where relevant, the concerned project promoter shall inform ENTSOG by email within two weeks from the publication of the assessment results.

Within these review phases, ENTSOG may consult the European Commission and the Agency and if deemed necessary, it may also consult on an ad-hoc basis the relevant stakeholders when considering the project promoters' justifications. When taking its final decision, ENTSOG should duly take into account the expressed views.

The following elements - considered as having been already consulted with stakeholders earlier in the process, agreed upon and finalised – are not to be open for discussion within this review phase: scenario assumptions and data, CBA methodologies in force and project data submitted within the process.

6 Project status in TYNDP

Depending on their level of maturity projects are categorized along different status. Those status are a pre-requisite for the definition of the infrastructure levels (for more details, please refer to TYNDP 2017, chapter 4.4) to be used in the TYNDP assessment.

Each project status is directly derived from the information provided by its promoter when submitted for inclusion in the TYNDP:

• The **FID status** of a project corresponds to a project that has taken the final investment decision ahead of TYNDP project collection.



- the Advanced status is applied to all projects that, based on the information submitted, have:
 - commissioning year expected at the latest by 31st December of the year of the TYNDP project data collection + 6 (e.g. 2024 in case of TYNDP 2018, for which projects are collected in 2018)
 - o and
 - whose permitting phase has started ahead of the TYNDP project data collection
 OR
 - FEED has started (or the project has been selected for receiving CEF⁸ grants for FEED⁹ ahead of the TYNDP project data collection.
- All projects which do not meet the criteria of being FID or Advanced are considered as having the **Less-Advanced status**.

Additionally, the **PCI status** is assigned to a project which is part of the latest approved Union list of Projects of common interest (The PCI List) referred to in Article 3 of the Regulation 347/2013, irrespective of the above mentioned project status.

⁸ Connecting Europe Facility

⁹ Front End Engineering Design.



7 Annex 1: Required documentation to prove the fulfilment of administrative and technical criteria

All documents necessary to prove the fulfilment of administrative and technical criteria shall be provided together with the submission of the project during the project data collection phase.

7.1 Transmission projects

7.1.1 Administrative documentation

Information requested to fulfil the administrative pass-fail criteria:

No	Criteria	A.1 + A.2	A.3	B.1+B.2	B.3
1	Company	Proof of	Proof of	The statutes of the registered undertaking	Legal basis for
	existence	certification	exemption		the
	(all)				establishment
2	Financial	Proof of	Proof of	The latest available balance sheets	Legal basis for
	strength	certification	exemption	submitted to the national tax office	the
	(all)			(shareholders' balance sheets are also	establishment
				accepted).	
				For companies younger than 1 year this	
				information is to be proven with the	
				company existence documentation.	
3	Technical	Proof of	Proof of	Information on the company and its	Legal basis for
	expertise	certification	exemption	technical expertise, including references	the
	(all)			from other relevant projects or existing	establishment
				infrastructure, organisational chart, CVs of	
				key personnel. In case of subcontractors, a	
				copy of the contract has to be provided.	

Information requested to fulfil the administrative alternative criteria. At least one criteria must be fulfilled.

No	Criteria	A.1	A.2	A.3+B	
4	PCI	PCI number and defin	PCI number and definition as in the latest approved EC published PCI list.		
	(all)				
5	National plan	The reference code	of the project in t	he latest available National	
	(under design &	Development Plans (v	validated by the correspo	onding NRA(s)). When the NDP	
	permitting,	does not use project codes, promoters can indicate the name of the project			
	construction)	as labelled in the NDI	Ρ.		
6	National plan	The reference code	of the project in the la	atest available Draft National	
	(under consideration)	Development Plans.	When the NDP does not	use project codes, promoters	
		can indicate the nam	e of the project as labell	ed in the NDP.	
7	MS / NRA agreement	The signed agreemen	t on the project betweer	the TSO and the relevant MSs	
	(under consideration)	or NRAs of the impac	ted countries, and the re	ecent amendments for it if any	



8	Exemption process (under design & permitting, construction)	The acknowledgment receipt of the application for the exemption pursuar to Art. 36 of Directive (EC) No 73/2009 from the responsible regulator authorities of the concerned EU countries.		
9	TSO agreement (under design & permitting, construction)	Confirmation of all the concerned TSO(s) of the project (including Capacity Modification ¹⁰)	The signed common agreement with the concerned TSO(s) of type A.1 regarding the development of the submitted project, OR The feasibility / prefeasibility study performed by the TSO of type A.1, or performed by TSO of type A.2 and approved by the TSO of type A.1	The signed connection agreement with all the concerned TSO(s) regarding the development of the submitted project, OR The feasibility / prefeasibility study performed by the TSO of type A.1, or performed by TSO of type A.3/B and approved by the TSO of type A.1
10	Decision for studies (under consideration)	Documents proving the launch of a tender for a feasibility / prefeasibility study OR (In case the study is performed inhouse or the tender has not been launched yet) a formal written statement ¹¹ of the concerned TSO(s) to perform a feasibility / prefeasibility study	Documents proving the launch of a tender for a feasibility / pre-feasibility study OR (In case the study is performed in-house or the tender has not been launched yet) (i) formal written statement of the TSO(s) to perform a feasibility / pre-feasibility study or (ii) official request to the TSO(s) ¹² of type A.1 to perform the feasibility / pre-feasibility study	

NOTE: In case of projects of gas equipment or installation such as gas compressor stations, regulation stations, etc., the information requested in section 7.1.1 shall apply. The technical proof for these projects to be included in the TYNDP is that the respective equipment or installation is part/connected of/to a gas transmission system.

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¹⁰ Capacity Modification means any capacity change (positive or negative) on a modelled Operational Point, whereby no actual physical work or financial investment is necessary to carry out the capacity modification.

¹¹ Formal written statement means a document signed by the relevant top management by which the company commits to perform the relevant study.

¹² TSOs contact details can be found on ENTSOG website. Official request means any form of communication (e.g. email, letter) that is in line with the involved TSOs process.



7.1.2 Technical documentation

Information requested to fulfil the technical pass-fail criteria:

No	Criteria	A1	A2	A3+B		
11	Technical	The technical description which demonstrates the compliance of the project with				
	description	the criteria described in 4.1.2 (11) shall be provided in the project Data Collection				
	(all)	Portal ("Project Description" box) when the promoter submits the project for the				
		TYNDP, and should be consistent with the specific project data.				
12	Location (all)	Location of the project in the ENTSOG map				
13	Project data	To be provided as part of the project data collection in line with ENTSOG handbook				
	(all)					

7.2 Storage projects

7.2.1 Administrative documentation

Information requested to fulfil the administrative pass-fail criteria:

No	Criteria	C.1	C.2
1	Company existence	The statutes of the registered undertaking	Legal basis for
	(all)		the
- 4			establishment
2	Financial strength	The latest available balance sheets submitted to the national	Legal basis for
	(all)	tax office (shareholders' balance sheets are also accepted).	the
		For companies younger than 1 year this information is to be	establishment
		taken from the company existence documentation.	
3	Technical expertize	Information on the company and its technical expertise,	Legal basis for
	(all)	including references from other relevant projects or existing	the
		infrastructure, organisational chart, CVs of key personnel. In	establishment
		case of subcontractors, a copy of the contract has to be	
		provided.	

Information requested to fulfil the administrative alternative criteria. At least one criteria must be fulfilled.

No	Criteria	С
4	PCI	PCI number and definition as in the latest approved EC published PCI list.
	(all)	
5	National plan	The reference code of the project in the latest available National
	(under design &	Development Plans (validated by the corresponding NRAs). When the NDP
	permitting,	does not use project codes, promoters can indicate the name of the project
	construction)	as labelled in the NDP.
6	National plan	The reference code of the project in the latest available Draft National
	(under	Development Plans. When the NDP does not use project codes, promoters
	consideration)	can indicate the name of the project as labelled in the NDP.



7	TSO agreement (under design & permitting, construction)	The signed connection agreement with the impacted TSO, OR The feasibility / pre-feasibility study (within the validity period) performed by the TSO or performed by the SSO and approved by the impacted TSO, or the official request to the concerned TSO ¹³ for the approval of the feasibility or pre-feasibility study
8	Decision for studies (under consideration)	Documents proving the launch of a tender for a feasibility / pre-feasibility study OR In case the study is performed in-house or the tender has not been launched yet (i) formal written statement ¹⁴ of the SSO to perform a feasibility / pre-feasibility study or (ii) official request of the SSO to the concerned TSO(s) to perform the feasibility / pre-feasibility study

7.2.2 Technical documentation

Information requested to fulfil the technical pass-fail criteria:

No	Criteria	С
9	Storage facility	The technical description which demonstrates the compliance of the project with
		the criteria described in 4.2.2 (9) shall be provided in the project Data Collection
		Portal ("Project Description" box) when the promoter submits the project for the
		TYNDP, and should be consistent with the specific project data.
10	Location	Location of the project in the ENTSOG map
11	Project data	To be provided as part of the project data collection in line with ENTSOG handbook

7.3 LNG projects and CNG projects

7.3.1 Administrative documentation

Information requested to fulfil the administrative pass-fail criteria:

No	Criteria	D.1	D.2
1	Company existence	The statutes of the registered undertaking	Legal basis for
	(all)		the
			establishment
2	Financial strength	The latest available balance sheets submitted to the national	Legal basis for
	(all)	tax office (shareholders' balance sheets are also accepted).	the
		For companies younger than 1 year this information is to be	establishment
		taken from the company existence documentation.	

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¹³ TSOs contact details can be found on ENTSOG website. Official request means any form of communication (e.g. email, letter) that is in line with the involved TSOs process.

¹⁴ Formal written statement means a document signed by the relevant top management by which the company commits to perform the relevant study.



3	Technical expertize	Information on the company and its technical expertise,	Legal basis for
	(all)	including references from other relevant projects or existing	the
	99	infrastructure, organisational chart, CVs of key personnel. In	establishment
		case of subcontractors, a copy of the contract has to be	
		provided.	

Information requested to fulfil the administrative alternative criteria. At least one criteria must be fulfilled.

No	Criteria	D
4	PCI (all)	PCI number and definition as in the latest approved EC published PCI list.
5	National plan (under design &, permitting, construction)	The reference code of the project in the latest available National Development Plans (validated by the corresponding NRAs). When the NDP does not use project codes, promoters can indicate the name of the project as labelled in the NDP.
6	National plan (under consideration)	The reference code of the project in the latest available Draft National Development Plans. When the NDP does not use project codes, promoters can indicate the name of the project as labelled in the NDP.
7	TSO agreement (under design & permitting, construction)	The signed connection agreement with the impacted TSO, OR The feasibility / pre-feasibility study (within the validity period) performed by the TSO or performed by the LSO and approved by the impacted TSO, or the official request to the concerned TSO ¹⁵ for the approval of the feasibility or pre-feasibility study
8	Decision for studies (under consideration)	Documents proving the launch of a tender for a feasibility / pre-feasibility study OR In case the study is performed in-house or the tender has not been launched yet (i) formal written statement ¹⁶ of the LSO to perform a feasibility / pre-feasibility study or (ii) official request of the LSO to the concerned TSO(s) to perform the feasibility / pre-feasibility study

7.3.2 Technical documentation

Information requested to fulfil the technical pass-fail criteria:

No	Criteria	D
9	LNG facility	The technical description which demonstrates the compliance of the project with the
	(all)	criteria described in section 4.3.2 (9) shall be provided in the project Data Collection
		Portal ("Project Description" box) when the promoter submits the project for the
		TYNDP, and should be consistent with the specific project data.

¹⁵ TSOs contact details can be found on ENTSOG website. Official request means any form of communication (e.g. email, letter) that is in line with the involved TSOs process.

 $^{^{16}}$ Formal written statement means a document signed by the relevant top management by which the company commits to perform the relevant study.



10	Location	Location of the project in the ENTSOG map
11	Project data	To be provided as part of the project data collection in line with ENTSOG handbook

7.4 Renewable gas projects

7.4.1 Administrative documentation

Information requested to fulfil the pass-fail criteria:

No	Criteria	E	
1	Company existence (all)	The statutes of the registered undertaking	
2	Financial strength (all)	The latest available balance sheets submitted to the national tax office (shareholders' balance sheets are also accepted). For companies younger than 1 year this information is to be taken from the company existence documentation.	
3	Technical expertize (all)	Information on the company and its technical expertise, including references from other relevant projects or existing infrastructure, organisational chart, CVs of key personnel. In case of subcontractors, a copy of the contract has to be provided.	

7.4.2 Technical documentation

Information requested to fulfil the administrative pass-fail criteria:

No	Criteria	Promoter E
4	Technical	The technical description which demonstrates the compliance of the project with the
	description	criteria described in section 4.4.2 (4) shall be provided via e-mail ¹⁷ during Project
		Collection window.
5	Location	Location of the project in the ENTSOG map

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 $^{^{17}}$ E-mail address indicated in Annex 2.



8 Annex 2: ENTSOG contact details

ENTSOG can be contacted for this specific topic by using the following contact details:

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- Phone: to be added

- Address: Avenue de Cortenbergh 100, 1000, Brussels, Belgium