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## **Agency feedback to ENTSOG on transparency data**

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## Agenda

- Transparency monitoring background;
- Agency's use of the TP;
- Cooperation between Agency, ENTSTOG and TSOs;
- Work in progress;
- Suggestions for way forward;
- Conclusion .

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## The legal basis of transparency obligations

- Chapter 3, Annex I of Regulation 715/2009, as modified by:
  - Commission Decision of 10 November 2010
  - Commission Decision of 24 August 2012
  - Commission Decision (EU) 2015/715 of 30 April 2015



- Specific information has to be made available by TSOs on ENTSOG Transparency Platform, starting from October 2013



- ACER uses intensively data coming from the TP for its analyses and publications






## Agency: an "extraordinary" user of transparency data

- Transparency platform website
  - To check data, charts at specific time and location
  - Small checks for quick graphical insights
  - To analyse several parameters of selected IP (sides)
- Bulk export files
  - To perform analytical, quantitative, detailed checks
  - For the Congestion Report
  - For NCs effects indicators using transport & CMP data

## Cooperation is essential to deliver good results

- In 2016, the Agency and ENTSOG's Transparency teams have often worked together
- ENTSOG's Transparency team involved TSOs for:
  - Very positive first-hand views/solutions/answers;
  - Yet, ACER's requests often relates to TSOs, with which we have little interaction.
- ENTSOG welcomed most of ACER's requests:
  - Adding filtering options (on the website / in the bulk files)
  - Additions to the TP users survey;
  - Adding information on balancing zones and applicable booking platforms;
  - Clarifying pipe-in-pipe data;
  - Information on interruptible offers.

## Work (and dialogue) at the beginning of 2016

- Most ongoing requests stem from Agency's analysis of the 2015 data (bulk files)
- The issues faced were:
  - Data completeness  Mitigated by using other sources
  - Data correctness  Solved by individual TSOs
  - Data interpretation  Clarified via individual TSOs
- ENTSOG played a key role in putting the Agency and TSOs in contact

## Work (and dialogue) in progress → preparation for 2016 data

- The ENTSOG Transparency team has been very active. The Agency has the possibility to influence the structure of transparency data.
- Some of our requests are questioned. Reasons behind could be:
  - Resource constraints;
  - Lack of consensus in the ENTSOG working group.
- The timeline is key for handling our requests - a sensible dataset is necessary for CAM and CMP analyses.

Item	Importance for the Agency
Inclusion of non-offered capacity products (Congestion Report)	Highest (ready in the new bulk files)
CAM & CMP filters (based on latest CAM & CMP IP scope lists)	Highest (ready in the new bulk files)
Pipe-in-pipe filter	High (ready in the new bulk files)
Balancing zone filter	High (ready in the new bulk files)
Methodology of reporting – operation and balancing data included in transport data	High, but controversial
Reasons for change of technical capacity	Medium, no commitment yet. This information would improve the quality of data analysis.
Booking Platform used at each IP side	Medium (expected in the new bulk files)
Unlimited interruptible capacity	Low (both in the bulk and on the live charts)



## Clarification needs, handled as early as possible

- From previous experience, in 2017 we expect:
  - Smooth and fast communication on the data, using the knowledge accumulated. Improvements are expected in:
    - Data filtering,
    - better understanding of the methodology,
    - data explanation/checks.
- As soon as the draft data is available (mid-January), we would recommend sharing it not only with TSOs, but also with ACER.
  - This interim phase could be useful for us to pre-screen (list, data structure).

## Improvements are there, but is it enough?

- Once all requests are fulfilled, we do not plan expanding our requests, but we would like to discuss possible refinements:
  - Uniform methodology for data collection: is it needed?/ would it help?
  - Balancing data: Would a Data Template help?/ Where should it be (TSO/TP website?)/ Could this be a voluntary work under ENTSOG leadership?
- The Agency is to rely more on REMIT data. It offers:
  - Higher granularity;
  - To build up our knowledge about this data.

## **Taking stock of Agency-ENTSOG cooperation on data transparency**

- Our requests were taken into account.
- We believe that these requests also benefited TP users.
- Cooperation has improved.
- We think that further agreements with ENTSOG and TSOs could be reached to facilitate our analytical work.
- Our view is that voluntary work on data consistency could replace the review of legal requirements.
- The stepwise use of REMIT data – data knowledge/ data cleaning/ data consistency.

## How do you use the Transparency Platform?

- Among monitoring-oriented TP users:
  - How do you download data?
  - How do you treat data after downloading?
  - How do you use/set-up the API tool?
  - Are you satisfied with the data provided?

# Thank you for your attention!



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