

ERGEG Advice on 10-YNDP& Input to the Infrastructure Package

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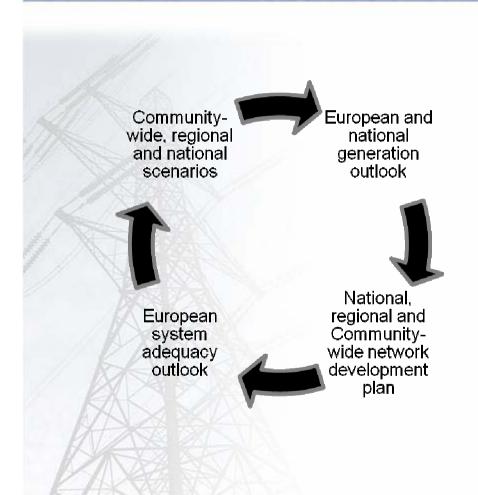


Objectives of Advice

- Create a better and more stable environment for the TSOs and the regulators / Agency:
 - By specifying explicitly what should be included in the Community-wide electricity network development plan, ENTSO-E will know precisely how to create it
 - By defining the criteria for fulfillment / quality of the plan, the Agency knows how to evaluate and what (possibly) to request further if something is missing
 - By defining the process for preparing the plan, the Agency can evaluate if all stakeholders have been consulted and if scenarios and planning principles behind the plan are transparently communicated to the stakeholders



Documents & Contents



- Status review of previous plan
- | | Scenario development
- European generation outlook

Modelling of integrated system

- Description of market and power system models
 - Evaluation criteria for reinforcements

Assessment of system resilience

- -Existing and decided infrastructure
- -Identification of future congestions
- -Identification and description of investment projects
- System adequacy outlook



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Consultation Feedback

- 21 Responses
- Generally positive feedback
- Recurrent prompts to be clearer on certain topics
 to be elaborated and specified in more detail
- Very few (no substantial) disagreements → the final ERGEG Advice on 10-YNDP would not contain major changes compared to the draft



Suggested changes -> Applicable

- ACER Criteria for opinion to be clearer and more detailed (opinion to be issued not just on the process but also on the content of the ENTSO-E 10-YNDP)
- Stakeholder involvement should be ensured wherever necessary (scenario development, generation outlook, etc.)
- Role of merchant lines to be addressed more detailed



Suggested changes > Not Applicable

- Issues relating to development of national plans
 - Non-binding character of the national 10-YNDP plans of the OU TSOs
 - Coordination among the national plans (this is the duty of ENTSO-E)
 - Call for ERGEG to make standards for all national plans to follow
- Issues about realisation of investments
 - European benefit for grid investments must be defined (methods) (this is the duty of ENTSO-E)
 - Challenges regarding different (and slow) licensing procedures (ERGEG can and has already done so since our Workshop on 17 February 2007 but changing licensing procedures is out of ERGEG / ACER power)



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ERGEG Preliminary Opinion on the ENTSO-E Draft 10-YNDP

- ERGEG acknowledges the ENTSO-E commitment & effort
- ERGEG is also aware that this is a pilot 10-YNDP and that, as also indicated by ENTSO-E, it will serve to
 - gain feedback,
 - illustrate trends,
 - test the necessary process for Europe-wide methodologies,
 - give a review of existing trends.
- ERGEG is not participating in the consultation on the draft plan → it will provide an opinion on the finalised plan "as if ERGEG were ACER"
- It is with this background, that ERGEG provides here a preliminary opinion on the draft plan



Recall: Criteria for Regulatory Opinion - General

- According to Regulation, the Plan shall ensure:
 - Non-discrimination
 - Effective competition
 - Efficient and secure functioning of the internal electricity market
 - Sufficient level of cross-border interconnection open to TPA
- The planning process should be smooth, efficient, consistent and transparent



Recall: Criteria for Regulatory Opinion - Details

- Scenarios have been prepared and these have been applied also at regional and national level
- Modelling of integrated network has been made applying bottom-up and top-down approaches
- European and national generation outlooks have been prepared
- Assessment of the resilience of the system in present and future has been made
- Consultation of all relevant stakeholders has been executed at European, regional and national level and outcome of these consultations has been documented
- Coherence between national, regional and Community-wide ten-year network development plan is met
- Monitoring report on implementation of the plans has been prepared



Key Issues

- Bottom-up approach needs to be complemented with a well structured and designed top-down view with a European perspective
- Regional approach of the ENTSO-E System
 Development Committee is understood but it is important to address the cross-regional issues and integration at a sufficient level of detail and depth
- Only two rather "rough" scenarios need to be complemented with more detailed and realistic ones
- Modelling of integrated network needs to be done



Key Issues (cont'd)

- An analytical approach and top-down modelling needs to complement (or replace) the present synthetical assessment of system resilience
- A methodology and practical approach for ensuring coherence between the national and EU-wide 10-YNDP needs to be elaborated in detail
 - Address the various situations with different TSOs' organisations (OU, ISO, ITO)
 - Non-binding vs. binding character
 - Continuous process → needs to be specified in detail
- Monitoring, reporting, "enforcement" (?)



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Next Steps

- ERGEG expects the final version of the ENTSO-E 10-YNDP to be released by mid-June 2010
- Based on the Advice and defined criteria for regulatory opinion, ERGEG will provide an "official opinion on ENTSO-E 10-YNDP as if it were ACER"
 - Intensively discussing and exchanging views with ENTSO-E during the elaboration of the opinion
 - Main goal to provide guidance and support excellence and adequate result of the first "real" plan in 2012
- ERGEG will also prepare support for ACER with the result of this "exercise" and provide a report for future usage in ACER's opinion on the ENTSO-E 10-YNDP's



ERGEG View on Infrastructure Package*

- Coordinated congestion management, implicit allocation AND new electricity infrastructure are essential for the internal electricity market (IEM)
- Cross-border and necessary control-area-internal investments
- 10-YNDP (E/G) provides for a good common ground → minimal discrepancies in approaches for Electricity and Gas

^{*} cf. Letter from ERGEG President to the DG of DG ENER, May 2010



Expectations - General

- Setting principles for NRAs to agree on fair distribution of costs relating to cross-border infrastructure projects
- Concerted and faster licensing (EIA) processes
- Mechanisms for enhanced cooperation of countries
- Enforcing construction of priority interconnections decided upon by market principles and e.g. TEN guidelines



Expectations - Electricity

- Cross-border and national EHV electricity infrastructure eligibility for EU financial support
- EHV infrastructure of relevance only for national electricity grids financed from national tariffs
- Remove any obstacles for TSOs' participation in the commonly agreed new infrastructure projects
- National legal frameworks to include investments abroad if they benefit domestic customers (fairness & reciprocity)
- Detailed recommendations: ERGEG paper "Cross-Border Framework for Transmission Network Infrastructure"*

*http://www.energy-regulators.eu/portal/page/portal/EER_HOME/EER_CONSULT/CLOSED%20PUBLIC%20CONSULTATIONS/ELECTRICITY/E06-PC-15/CD/E07-ETN-01-03 CB-Frameword-ETNI V24-04.pdf



Thank you for your attention!

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