Summary of Consultation Process and Responses

ENTSO-E 2013-2014 Work Programme

1. Introduction

This paper describes the ENTSO-E consultation process in development of the ENTSO-E Annual Work Programme through December 2014 and summarises the responses received during the consultation period. The information regarding the consultation process is described immediately below and followed by a summary of the views received from the respondents. The appendix to this document contains the remarks received and indicates how the remarks have been taken into consideration in preparing the final version of the Work Programme 2013-2014 to be submitted to ACER for its Opinion.

2. Consultation Process

On 27 June 2013 the ENTSO-E Assembly approved the release for consultation of the ENTSO-E Annual Work Programme for the period 2013 through to December 2014. On 3 July the consultation process was launched on the ENTSO-E website and this was supported by a media release. The consultation closed on 6 September.

ENTSO-E received four replies in response to the consultation on the Work Programme 2013-2014, the respondents were EdF Energy, ESB, EFET, and Eurelectric. Two responses were received after the closing date. All observations and recommendations were evaluated and where appropriate amendments to the Work Programme were made. In many instances the respondents commented on how things might be improved, such as consultation processes, or provided other comments that related to early and close involvement of market players when developing new tools or proposals. The ENTSO-E teams reviewing these comments provided feedback to each observation and where considered appropriate altered the programme. The work programme initially released in July was also updated to reflect the most recent developments.

An overview of the submissions and ENTSO-E’s reaction to these submissions is set out below, while Appendix 1 contains an analysis of all the opinions received, and on how these opinions were taken into account, and why others were not taken into account in the Work Programme submission.

The ENTSO-E Board considered the summary of views received, noted how each observation had been taken into account, or why the observation had not been taken into account and made editing adjustments where appropriate. On 14 October 2013 the ENTSO-E Board approved the Work Programme for submission to ACER on the explicit delegated authority of the ENTSO-E Assembly.

3. General Comments of Respondents

The majority of comments received concentrated on three main topics:

Network Codes

Most respondents commented on ENTSO-E’s consultation practices as having improved but recommended further improvements, e.g. in earlier engagement of stakeholders when developing initial versions of codes. Some
respondents commented on the desire for more of the comments raised by stakeholders to be reflected in the codes submitted to ACER. Others noted the implementation challenges ahead and the need for improvements in legal consistency of the drafting or at least greater visibility of ENTSO-E legal opinions that closed certain avenues of discussion and dialogue for consulting parties.

**Market Design**

Several respondents commented on the Work Programme’s activities on market design; one suggested ENTSO-E restrict its work to those elements relevant to the TSOs’ roles in this activity and opposed the work schedule that includes explicit work on market design as outside its remit. Another view was that any work in this area needs to include close working and discussions with other market participants and in particular the power exchanges.

**Market Integration**

Many respondents noted the challenges for achieving market integration and the difficulties experienced so far. The respondents suggested ways of improving this activity, and all expressed a desire for early and full involvement of relevant and affected stakeholders in this matter.

The detailed comments raised by stakeholders can be found in appendix 1.