

Proposals for amendments to the Demand Connection Code

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Introduction

Important developments in the policies of decarbonisation of the European Union (EU) energy and transport sectors have taken place since the inception of the development of the first European Grid Connection Network Codes (GC NCs) in 2012.

In the framework of the Grid Connection European Stakeholder Committee (GC ESC), the European Commission proposed for ACER to initiate the process towards the amendment of the existing GC NCs in September 2022. The amendment process, as presented to the GC ESC is outlined in the Figure below:



Following the scoping phase, ACER published the Policy Paper on the revision of the network code on requirements for grid connection of generators and the network code on demand connection in September 2022. The Policy Paper aims to transparently indicate to stakeholders the key policy areas in which amendments are to be expected. Moreover, the Paper draws on the alternative policy options and provides recommendations and proposed actions for the amendment process.

[Access the ACER Policy Paper on the revision of the NC RfG and NC DC](#)

This consultation aims at gathering, from all interested stakeholders, concrete proposals for amendments to the Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/1388 of 17 August 2016 establishing a **Network Code on Demand Connection** ('NC DC').

For amendment proposals concerning Network Code on Requirements for Generators ('NC RfG'), please go to the form: [NC RfG](#).

Responses to this consultation should be submitted by 28 November 2022 23:59 CET.

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* Name of the stakeholder:

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* Contact person:

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* Contact person's email address:

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* Country of the stakeholder's headquarters or main country of operation:

Belgium

* Type of the stakeholder:

- ☐ Generator (including association)
- ☐ Consumer (including association)
- ☐ Transmission system operator (including association)
- ☒ Distribution system operator (including association)
- ☐ Manufacturers (including association)
- ☐ Academia/research institution
- ☐ Regulatory authority
- ☐ Other (please, elaborate)

Please, elaborate on your answer above, if necessary:

* Do you consent to the publication of the stakeholder's name?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

* Do you consent to the publication of provided answers?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No (please, note that your answer, without your name and organization, may be shared with the EU institutions and national authorities, drafting team members, and other persons or entities involved in the European Grid Connection Network Codes amendment process)

Instructions

Stakeholders are invited to submit their amendment proposals to the NC DC articles that they consider should be revised in a two-step process:

1. by inserting the proposed amendments in the provided Word file
2. by motivating/reasoning the proposed amendments through this online consultation form.

Both steps are mandatory for all amendment proposals.

(Where no amendment is proposed, the article text in the word file can be left unaltered and the cells in the consultation form can be left blank.)

The mandatory steps for submitting amendment proposals are detailed below. At the end of this section, you can find an example showing how to submit your proposals.

Step 1

Please include all your amendment proposals in the **Word file provided below using the Track Changes mode**. Once you edit the file and rename it with your stakeholder's name ("NC_DC_stakeholder_name"), please upload it in the last section of this form (FILE UPLOAD)

[Download the Word file \(NC DC\)](#)

Step 2

In addition, please use this form to motivate/reason your proposals, following the instructions:


Please write your amendment proposal and the reasoning in the table below.

	Amendment proposal	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
Article 14(1)	1	2	3
Article 14(2)			
Article 14(3)			
Article 14(4)			
Article 14(5)			

Please write your amendment proposal and the reasoning in the table below.

4		Proposal for new provisions in this section	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
	New provisions			

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1. Propose an amended wording of the relevant provision, as you provided in the Word file.
2. Provide the motivation/reasoning behind your proposal.
3. Indicate (if any) which other provisions of the NC DC are impacted and may need to be amended following your proposal.
4. Provide (if any) your proposals for adding new provisions to the relevant section of the Regulation, as you provided in the Word file.
5. Upload figures or tables if necessary; text inputs should be provided directly in the consultation form.

Example

This section shows an example of an input to the survey on the NC RfG. The input process is the same for the NC DC survey.

Stakeholder XYZ would like to propose an amendment to Article 27 of NC RfG. In their view, the meaning of the word "respectively" in this article is not clear. Following a two-step process, the stakeholder downloads the Word file from the Instruction section, turns on the Track Changes mode and edits the text (first step).



Article 27

System restoration requirements applicable to AC-connected offshore power park modules

The system restoration requirements laid down respectively in Article 14(4) and Article 15(5) shall apply to AC-connected offshore power park modules types B and C, respectively.

Article 28

General system management requirements applicable to AC-connected offshore power park modules

The general system management requirements laid down in Article 14(5), Article 15(6) and Article 16(4) shall apply to AC-connected offshore power park modules.

After saving the edited file on their device under the name "NC_RfG_Stakeholder_XYZ", the stakeholder uploads it in the FILE UPLOAD section.

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Introduction	Instruction	Whereas	Definitions	TITLE I	TITLE II CH. 1	TITLE II
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FILE UPLOAD

Please upload the Word file (downloaded from the *Instruction* section) containing all your amendments

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The stakeholder proceeds to motivate/reason their proposal. As they would like to propose an amendment to Article 27 of NC RfG, they enter TITLE II CHAPTER 4 Section and insert the proposed amended wording and the reasoning (second step). As the proposed amendment of Article 27 does not affect other provisions, they leave the last column blank.

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TITLE II CHAPTER 4 - Requirements for offshore power park modules

Please write your amendment proposal and the reasoning in the table below.

	Amendment proposal	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
Article 23		//	//
Article 24		//	//
Article 25		//	//
Article 26		//	//
Article 27	The system restoration requirements laid down in Article 14(4) and Article 15(5) shall apply to AC-connected offshore power park modules types B and C, respectively.	The current wording of Article 27 refers to the provisions of Articles 14(4) and 15(5). However, it is unclear from the legal text how the respective application should be understood. Indicating that the requirements of Article 14(4) shall apply to offshore PPMs type B and requirements of Article 15(5) shall apply to offshore PPMs type C follows the internal logic of the NC RfG and corresponds with the capabilities of the units in question.	//
Article 28		//	//

As the survey is long,

1. you have the possibility to edit your answer after submission. When clicking on "submit", you will be given a contribution ID, which you can then use to access your contribution here. This allows you to proceed in steps.
2. we kindly suggest that you download the entire survey as .pdf (link on the right), prepare your answers and then upload them at once in the EU Survey Tool, to avoid a session timeout on submission.

The maximum length of each cell is 5000 characters. This is the maximum technical limit set by the EUsurvey tool, which cannot be increased.

Whereas Section

Please write your amendment proposal and the reasoning in the table below.

Numbers in the first column correspond with the recitals of the NC DC Whereas section

	Amendment proposal	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
(1)			
(2)			
(3)			
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Please write your amendment proposal and the reasoning in the table below.

	Proposal for new recitals	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
New recitals			

Please write your amendment proposal and the reasoning in the table below.

	Amendment proposal	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
Article 2(1)			
Article 2(2)			
Article 2(3)			
Article 2(4)			
Article 2(5)			
Article 2(6)			
Article 2(7)			
Article 2(8)			
Article 2(9)			
Article 2(10)			
Article 2(11)			
Article 2(12)			
Article 2(13)			
Article 2(14)			
Article 2(15)			
Article 2(16)			
Article 2(17)			
Article 2(18)			
Article 2(19)			
Article 2(20)			
Article 2(21)			
Article 2(22)			

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	Proposal for new definitions	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
New definitions			

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TITLE I - General provisions

Please write your amendment proposal and the reasoning in the table below.

	Amendment proposal	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
Article 1			
Article 3	Amending. Deletion of point 2.b	The DC should also apply to electricity storage modules	
Article 4	Amending 1.a Amending 1.a ii, iii	Article 4.1 to be extended to provide further definition as to what modernization or replacement is critical in triggering the retrospective application of the DCC to existing transmission connected demand facilities, DSOs' systems and demand units.	
Article 5			
Article 6			
Article 7			
Article 8			
Article 9			
Article 10			
Article 11			

Please write your amendment proposal and the reasoning in the table below.

	Proposal for new articles in this section	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
New provisions	<p>a) New additions. Provision Art 4.1.C</p> <p>b) New additions. Provision - articles introduced 4.8 and 4.9</p>	<p>a) Article 4.1 to be extended to provide further definition as to what modernization or replacement is critical in triggering the retrospective application of the DCC to existing transmission connected demand facilities, DSOs' systems and demand units.</p> <p>b)The new articles 4.8 and 4.9 to further clarify the application of the above provisions</p>	

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TITLE II - Connection of transmission-connected demand facilities, transmission-connected distribution facilities and distribution systems

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	Amendment proposal	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
Article 12			
Article 13			
Article 14			
Article 15			
Article 16			
Article 17			
Article 18			
Article 19			
Article 20			
Article 21			
Article 22			
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Article 26			

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	Proposal for new articles in this section	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
New provisions			

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TITLE III - Connection of demand units used by a demand facility or a closed distribution system to provide demand response services to system operators

Please write your amendment proposal and the reasoning in the table below.

	Amendment proposal	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
Article 27			
Article 28			
Article 29			
Article 30			
Article 31			
Article 32			
Article 33			

Please write your amendment proposal and the reasoning in the table below.

	Proposal for new articles in this section	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
New provisions	New Addition on Article 27. +4	When the energy storage module is explicitly added to NC DC, then the ESM should fulfil article 15.3 off the NC E&R	

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TITLE IV - Compliance

Please write your amendment proposal and the reasoning in the table below.

	Amendment proposal	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
Article 34			
Article 35			
Article 36			
Article 37			
Article 38			
Article 39			
Article 40			
Article 41			
Article 42			
Article 43			
Article 44			
Article 45			
Article 46			
Article 47			

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	Proposal for new articles in this section	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
New provisions			

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TITLE V - Applications and derogations

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	Amendment proposal	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
Article 48			
Article 49			
Article 50			
Article 51			
Article 52			
Article 53			
Article 54			
Article 55			

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New provisions			

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TITLE VI - Non-binding guidance and monitoring of implementation

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	Amendment proposal	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
Article 56			
Article 57			

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	Proposal for new articles in this section	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
New provisions			

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TITLE VII - Final provisions

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	Amendment proposal	Reasoning	Relation to other provisions
Article 58			
Article 59			

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New provisions			

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ANNEX I

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Amendments to Annex I			

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ANNEX II

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Amendments to Annex II			

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Other additional provisions

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Other new provisions			

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