Public consultation on the Capacity Allocation Mechanisms Network Code: achievements and the way forward

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A Introduction

With gas markets being impacted by a global pandemic (2020) and a European energy crisis (2022), the resilience of the current market rules (also known as “network codes”) has been tested. Although they have ensured a proper market functioning (see ACER’s Market Monitoring Reports and Congestions Reports), lessons have yet to be learnt to further enhance market resilience.

The European gas market must also be ready to align with the latest policy and technological developments, guaranteeing the Green Deal’s decarbonisation targets can be met.

Against this background, the latest European Gas Regulatory Forum has emphasised the importance of having gas market rules which can adequately reflect this evolution, and therefore prompted for the revision of the capacity allocation mechanisms network code (CAM NC).

As part of ACER’s review of the Network Code for Capacity Allocation Mechanisms (‘CAM NC’), ACER is assessing the achievements of CAM NC and scoping the areas of improvement.

ACER invites stakeholders to actively participate in its review by providing feedback on the scoping of the areas of improvement as well as making reasoned proposals on further areas of improvements that could be considered for eventually amending the CAM NC.

The ACER CAM NC scoping document (‘scoping document’) contains ACER’s review of the market rules regulating gas transmission capacity allocation in Europe and proposes a scoping of areas of improvements based on ACER’s work on CAM. It serves as the main consultation document to which the questions in this survey refer.

Please send your response to the questions by 5 January 2024, 12:00 noon (CET). We invite stakeholders to bring forward concrete and succinct reasonings. Overly lengthy responses may not be processed.

The survey was corrected on 17 November for missing questions.

The stakeholder responses will be published on the Agency’s website. If you include commercially sensitive information in your reply, please mark the parts of your answer that are confidential as well as provide a non-confidential version for publication purposes.
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C Consultation documents

Download ACER's Scoping document

Download the cover note to the scoping document

The following questions are organised per chapter and article of the CAM NC, first depicting ACER's review included in the scoping document, a question on how you assess the need for a change in the article, and a question inviting you to elaborate your answer with specific elements.

D CAM NC Preamble

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- E CAM NC, Chapter I,
  General provisions (Articles 1-3)

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It is not clear from the explanations which specific requirements ACER's proposal for IAM would like to adopt. In our view, IAM is an important element that enables very flexible capacity allocation and should therefore not be restricted.
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The gas package defines conditional capacity as firm capacity for the first time. From a market perspective, however, these do not grant firm access to VTP. This is problematic because network users cannot freely choose their supplier and also do not have unrestricted access to the spot and futures market. Therefore, conditional capacity should only be allocated on a subordinate basis if "real" firm capacity is not possible.

CAM NC

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G CAM NC, Chapter III

Allocation of firm capacity products (Articles 8-18)
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**CAM NC**

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Relation with NC TAR – setting the tariff for the product

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A capacity product is less important than a BOM product, but can also improve synchronisation with the standard trading products
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The situation that arose in the 2022 annual auction, where the entire auction had to be cancelled after several days and dozens of auction rounds without any capacity being allocated, should definitely be prevented in future. Therefore, appropriate price steps should be selected before the auction and, in case of doubt, adjusted between the auction rounds. However, an exit method should always be found at the end in order to bring the auction to a successful conclusion. A UPA would be best suited as the last auction round.
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H CAM NC, Chapter IV

Bundling of capacity at interconnection points (Articles 19-21)
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## Article 20 – Alignment of main terms and conditions for bundled capacity products

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| ACER Opinion 06/2018 on the template for the main terms and conditions covering contractual provisions which are not affected by fundamental differences in principles of national law or jurisprudence, for the offer of bundled capacity products | Update of ENTSOG’s “catalogue of the main terms and conditions in the transport contract(s) of the transmission system operators for bundled capacity products.” (p. 2)
  - “The Agency is of the view that the Template does not always go as far as would be desirable. In particular, the Agency recommends that the template is enhanced by providing its content in a form ready to be used in contracts across the Union and by elaborating best practices.” (p. 19)
  - “Moreover, the Agency draws ENTSOG’s attention on the observations formulated in the recitals of this Opinion.” (p. 19) | Yes                 |
| N/A                    | Ensure minimum alignment of Terms and Conditions for dealing with cancellations of bundled capacity                                                                                                                                  |                     |

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**Article 31 – Transitional arrangements**

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J CAM NC, Chapter VI

Interruptible capacity (Articles 32-36)
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Possible answers:
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The bundling principle is very important in order to book the entire route from one trading point to another trading point quickly and easily.
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K CAM NC, Chapter VII
Capacity booking platforms (Article 37)
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L CAM NC, Chapter VIII
Final provisions (Articles 37A-40)
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More flexibility could come at the expense of European harmonisation.
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