Consultation on the role of stakeholders

Dear,

With this letter, EUTurbines, the European association of steam and gas turbine manufacturers, would like to introduce itself as a stakeholder in the consultation process.

We are the voice of the European gas and steam turbine manufacturers employing more than 70,000 people across Europe with a turnover of around 25 billion euros. Our members are Alstom Power, Ansaldo Energia, Doosan Skoda Power, Dresser-Rand, GE Energy, MAN Diesel and Turbo, Rolls-Royce, Siemens and Solar Turbines (http://www.euturbines.eu).

First of all, we would like to thank you for conducting a consultation on the role of stakeholders and the opportunity to share our view. We highly appreciate the work of ACER and ENTSO-E in the development of network codes and welcome the involvement of stakeholders in the implementation process.

We support the creation of permanent European Stakeholder Committees in which we would wish to participate. Also the set-up of expert groups to support the Committees on dedicated topics is welcomed.

To better understand the process and interaction between the different bodies on European and national level, we would like to know how it is ensured that the advices of the Committee are taken into account. It is not clear to us if the Stakeholder Committees act as discussion platform with a coordinating
character or if they have the right to intervene in the implementation process if necessary.

The consultation document has little information on how the structure of the European Stakeholder Committees fit into the overall process and time lines of the network codes implementation.

Therefore, it has to be clearly defined which are the rights and obligations of all bodies involved towards each other. With regard to the structure shown in Figure 1, it is not clear how national structures and regional stakeholder committees should take into account the views of the European Stakeholder Committees to be created.

The Committees shall be composed of experts from all relevant stakeholders and their structure shall be legally defined. To ensure that they can work in the most efficient manner the level of formal obligations shall be kept at a minimum.

We hope that our view and suggestions are taken into consideration in the definition of the role of stakeholders.

We look forward to the outcome of the consultation and remain at your disposal for any further information.

Yours sincerely,

- Secretary General -

- Chairman TF Grid Code -