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ACER workshop on Electricity transmission tariff harmonisation scoping

Introduction and overview

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Transmission tariff structures and potential harmonization:

- Subject to various studies.
- Some argue significant differences between the Member States could potentially hamper competition and further market integration.
- Should be investigated in an all-inclusive manner.

Potential rules regarding harmonised electricity transmission tariff structures:

- Priority matter in EC Decision 2014/713 on the establishment of the annual priority lists for the development of network codes and guidelines for 2015.
- Scoping activity by the Agency to assess the possible need for a framework guideline.

ACER appointed CEPA consultants to inform its considerations and provide overall recommendation on tariff harmonisation.

- Steering Committee, comprised of ACER and NRA tariff experts.
- Wider stakeholder events and a questionnaire/interview approach to gauge stakeholder views.

ACER scoping paper, based on CEPA work and other considerations:

- Whether further tariff harmonisation is desirable at this stage and, if so,
- What the appropriate approach may be.
- When: Autumn 2015.

Commission Regulation (EU) No 714/2009

Network access charges shall, among other, promote transparency, take into account network security, reflect actual/efficient costs, be non-discriminatory and non-distance related, and provide, where appropriate, locational signals at Community level.
(Art 14)

Commission Regulation (EU) No 838/2010

Guidelines relating to the inter-transmission system operator compensation mechanism and a **common regulatory approach to transmission charging**, including allowed ranges for charges levied on generators (G-charges).

ACER Opinion No 09/2014

Agency's views on the appropriate range for G-charges: (proposed for 2015-18)

- Energy-based G-charges (€/MWh) shall not be used.
- Restrictions on cost-reflective power-based G-charges and lump-sum G-charges unnecessary as long as they are cost-reflective, applied appropriately and efficiently and, to the extent possible, in a harmonised way across Europe.
 - ➔ Importance of maintaining a close monitoring.

We observe no action from the Commission regarding Regulation (EU) No 838/2010 amendment.

First stakeholder event, of the two envisaged, in order to encourage greater discussion on:

- Whether differences in Member State transmission tariff structures impede the aims of the European internal electricity market?
- Whether and to what extent is harmonisation potentially necessary and/or would be beneficial?

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Thank you!

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