



Security of gas supply: Regulation (EU) 2017/1938 in the Energy Community

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Directive 2004/67/EC

Policies for securing gas supply
Specific (protected) customers
Supply standards
National emergency measures
Community mechanism
Gas Coordination Group /
Security of Supply Coordination
Group
Reporting & monitoring

Regulation (EU) 994/2010

Competent authority
Protected customers
Supply & infrastructure standards
Risk assessment
Preventive Action Plans
Emergency Plans
National emergency measures /
voluntary joint plans & measures
Crisis levels
Commission's role
Community mechanism
Gas Coordination Group
Information exchange, reporting,
monitoring

Regulation (EU) 2017/1938

Competent authority
Protected customers (harmonised)
Supply standards
Improved infrastructure standards
Risk assessment (**regional**):
content & template
Preventive Action Plans:
content & template
Emergency Plans: content & template
National emergency measures /
mandatory regional plans & measures
Crisis levels
Strong Commission's role
Community mechanism
Solidarity
Gas Coordination Group
Information exchange, reporting &
monitoring

Energy Community:
mandatory since 2009

European Union:
7 years of practice

Security of gas supply: infrastructure



Gas networks of CPs are better connected with EU MSs than with each other*

(*special case of Georgia)



Decisive factor for security of gas supply (procedural & actual)

Period 2014-2017: revision of Regulation (EC) 994/2010

Aim was to create a fully operational framework for security of gas supply based on 4-years implementation experience and stress test in 2014

An ambitious process - revision and adaptation of the Regulation for the Energy Community

Contracting Parties and ECS were involved in the process to the extent possible

Commission's proposal for inclusion of EnC CPs in revised Regulation:

RECIPROCAL OBLIGATIONS

- Extension of the application of the regulation to the Contracting Parties of the Energy Community (Article 15)
 - ✓ Risk assessment, preventive action plans, emergency plans
 - ✓ Enabling reverse flows
 - ✓ Commitment not to take measures that negatively impact security of supply of the neighbours
 - ✓ Participation in solidarity
 - ✓ Participation in the Gas Coordination Group on certain issues

SWITCH-ON

- Joint Act of the Ministerial Council of the Energy Community introducing reciprocal obligations on the side of Contracting Parties in the relations with the Member States
- Contracting Parties of the Energy Community implement the Joint Act including a request for the application of the provisions
- Energy Community Secretariat notifies the implementation and a request to the Commission to confirm the applicability of reciprocal obligations
- Commission confirms the reciprocal character of the obligations by a decision

Covering cross-border cooperation between EU MSs and CPs: from “Reciprocity & Switch-on” clauses proposed by the Commission to the finally adopted text of Article 16:

“Cooperation with the Energy Community Contracting Parties

1. Where the Member States and the Energy Community Contracting Parties cooperate in the process of the establishment of risk assessments and preventive action plans and emergency plans, such cooperation may include, in particular, identifying the interaction and correlation of risks and consultations with a view to ensuring consistency of preventive action plans and emergency plans across the border.

2. With respect to paragraph 1, Energy Community Contracting Parties may participate in the GCG upon invitation by the Commission on all matters of mutual concern.”

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National Risk Assessment: content & template
National Preventive Action Plans: content & template
National Emergency Plans: content & template
National emergency measures
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Gas Coordination Group / Security of Supply Coordination Group
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Transposition without difficulties

Potentially complicated transposition

Mandatory regional risk assessments, preventive action plans & emergency plans
Regional risk groups
Strong EC role / strong ECS role
Solidarity

1. Eastern gas supply risk groups:

- (a) Ukraine: Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Germany, Greece, Croatia, Italy, Luxembourg, Hungary, Austria, Poland, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia; **Ukraine, Serbia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Moldova, fYR of Macedonia**
- (b) Belarus: Belgium, Czech Republic, Germany, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Slovakia; **Ukraine**
- (c) Baltic Sea: Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, France, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Austria, Slovakia, Sweden;
- (d) North-Eastern: Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Finland;
- (e) Trans-Balkan: Bulgaria, Greece, Romania. **Ukraine, Moldova, fYR of Macedonia**

4. South-East gas supply risk groups:

- (a) Southern Gas Corridor — Caspian: Bulgaria, Greece, Croatia, Italy, Hungary, Malta, Austria, Romania, Slovenia, Slovakia; **Albania, Georgia, fYR of Macedonia**
- (b) Eastern Mediterranean: Greece, Italy, Cyprus, Malta.

Annex I – regional risk groups – inclusion of CPs? (cont.)

Ukraine
Serbia
Bosnia and Herzegovina
fYR of Macedonia
Moldova
Albania
Georgia
Montenegro
Kosovo *

**But only:
Ukraine – Moldova &
Serbia – BiH
are connected**



Dream legal possibility:

Annex I amended by EC to include Contracting Parties in relevant groups

Hope of the year:

Energy Community Treaty amendments to allow reciprocity in general

Compromise solution:

Adaptation to fit national measures and voluntary cooperation

Actually ongoing:

Voluntary transposition and implementation of certain elements (e.g. RA, PAP, EP) by individual CPs (Ukraine) with the help of JRC (UA, RS, MK, BiH... MD to come)

CPs invited to EU Gas Coordination Group



DREAM BIG



Thank you for your attention!

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