



*Terms of Reference for
Groups
Regulation 347/2013*

1st Meeting of Electricity and Gas Groups

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- 1. *Categories:*** energy infrastructure concerning electricity, gas, oil and 1 thematic area (smart grids)
- 2. *Objectives of the Groups:***
 - to list all projects eligible to be candidates for PECEI / PMI status;
 - to assess all eligible projects, based on the proposed and accepted methodology, fulfilling the necessary criteria defined in the Regulation;
 - to adopt a preliminary and Energy Community list and to perform monitoring tasks accordingly.



3. *Electricity Group*

- (a) high-voltage overhead transmission lines >220 kV and submarine transmission cables >150 kV or more
- (b) electricity storage facilities used for storing electricity on a permanent or temporary basis
- (c) any equipment or installation essential for the systems defined in (a) and (b)
- (d) any equipment or installation, both at transmission and medium voltage distribution level, aiming at two-way digital communication....
- (e) Smart grids



4. Gas Group

- (a) transmission pipelines for the transport of natural gas and bio gas that form part of a network which mainly contains high-pressure
- (b) underground storage facilities connected to the above-mentioned high-pressure gas pipelines
- (c) reception, storage and regasification or decompression facilities for liquefied natural gas (LNG) or compressed natural gas (CNG)
- (d) any equipment or installation essential for the system to operate safely....



(e) Oil

- pipelines used to transport crude oil;
- pumping stations and storage facilities necessary for the operation of crude oil pipelines;
- any equipment or installation essential for the system in question to operate properly, securely and efficiently, including protection, monitoring and control systems and reverse-flow devices.

5. Membership

a) Membership

Each Group: representatives of Contracting Parties and Member States concerned, National Regulatory Authorities, the gas and electricity transmission system operators, the European Commission and the Energy Community Secretariat, and upon invitation, ENTSO for electricity and gas.

Project promoters of oil infrastructure will be also invited to the respective Group meetings when the oil projects are discussed.

b) Other participants

The Groups may decide to invite promoters of third country projects potentially eligible for selection as a PECEI or a PMI. The decision to invite third country representatives shall be based on consensus.



c) Decision making powers

The Decision making powers in each Group are restricted to the Parties to the Treaty which for the decision-making purpose shall form the decision-making body. Decision-making process in the each decision-making body of each Group is based on consensus. Decision-making bodies may merge.

6. Establishment of the Energy Community list(s)

- a) Submission of project proposals
- b) Assessment of the proposed projects
- c) Opinion of the Energy Community Secretariat, the Regulatory Board and the Agency
- d) Adoption of the preliminary PECE/PMI lists
- e) Adoption of the Energy Community PECE/PMI list
- f) Meetings

7. Monitoring

The background is a satellite-style image of the Earth at night, showing city lights. Overlaid on this are numerous glowing blue lines that represent energy transmission or a network, curving across the globe.

*Thank you
for your attention!*

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