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*By e-mail only*

**Subject: Mandate for starting the work on system operation network codes in electricity**

Dear Mr Dobbeni,

On 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2011 the European Commission received from ACER the framework guideline on electricity system operation. This document was adopted by the Board of Regulators of ACER on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2011.


With this letter, we request ENTSO-E to start from 1<sup>st</sup> March 2012 the drafting of the operational security code which shall be completed by 1<sup>st</sup> March 2013. The drafting of the code on operational planning and scheduling shall start from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012 and shall be completed by 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013 in accordance with the timing agreed in the Planning Group.

In spite of your letter dated 2 February 2012 and taking into consideration that ENTSO-E does not consider it appropriate to address those topics in a single code we believe that the drafting of the code on load frequency control and reserves should start on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2012 and the code on forward market on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2012, in accordance with the 3-year plan agreed in the Planning Group.

The codes on operational training and on requirements and operational procedures in emergency shall be addressed at a later stage.

Finally, we agree that the issues you raised in your letter of 2 February regarding the CACM network code should indeed be clarified rapidly. To that effect, we will invite you shortly for a meeting.

Yours sincerely,



Jean-Arnold Vinois

Annexes:

- 1) ACER Decision No 06/2011
- 2) Framework guideline on electricity system operation
- 3) Initial impact assessment of Framework guideline on electricity system operation

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