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Measures to safeguard the security of gas supply

Proposal for a regulation
(COM(2016)0052 – C8-0035/2016 – 2016/0030(COD))

Amendment 21
Zigmantas Balčytis

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) Natural gas (gas) remains an essential component of the energy supply of the Union. A large proportion of such gas is imported into the Union from third countries.

Amendment

(1) Natural gas (gas) remains an essential component of the energy supply of the Union. A large proportion of such gas is imported into the Union from third countries, ***and some Member States therefore depend largely or wholly on gas supplied by third country monopolies.***

Or. It

Amendment 22
Notis Marias
Proposal for a regulation
Recital 1

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) Natural gas (gas) remains an essential component of the energy supply of the Union. ***A large proportion of such gas is imported into the Union from third countries.***

Amendment

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Or. el

Amendment 23
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. el

Amendment 24 **Ilhan Kyuchyuk**

Proposal for a regulation **Recital 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) A major disruption of the gas supply can affect all Member States, the Union as a whole and Contracting Parties to the Treaty establishing the Energy Community, signed in Athens on 25 October 2005. It can also *severely* damage the Union economy and can have a major social impact, particularly on vulnerable groups of customers.

Amendment

(2) A major disruption of the gas supply can affect all Member States, the Union as a whole and Contracting Parties to the Treaty establishing the Energy Community, signed in Athens on 25 October 2005. It can also, *under certain circumstances* damage the Union economy and can have a major social impact, particularly on vulnerable groups of customers.

Or. en

Amendment 25 **Zigmantas Balčytis**

Proposal for a regulation **Recital 2**

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) A major disruption of the gas supply can affect all Member States, the Union as a whole and Contracting Parties to the Treaty establishing the Energy Community, signed in Athens on

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Or. It

Amendment 26
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 2

Text proposed by the Commission

(2) A major disruption of the gas supply can affect all Member States, the Union as a whole and Contracting Parties to the Treaty establishing the Energy Community, signed in Athens on 25 October 2005. It can also severely damage the Union economy and can have a major *social* impact, particularly on vulnerable groups of customers.

Amendment

(2) A major disruption of the gas supply can affect all Member States, the Union as a whole and Contracting Parties to the Treaty establishing the Energy Community, signed in Athens on 25 October 2005. It can also severely damage the Union economy and can have a major *societal* impact, particularly on vulnerable groups of customers.

Or. en

Amendment 27
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 3

Text proposed by the Commission

(3) This Regulation aims to ensure that all the necessary measures are taken to safeguard an uninterrupted supply of gas throughout the Union, in particular to protected customers in the event of difficult climatic conditions or disruptions of the gas supply. These objectives should be achieved through the most cost-effective measures and in such a way that energy

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markets are not distorted. *Also, when achieving those objectives, it is important that regional specificities are taken into account in terms of targeted application of this Regulation.*

Or. en

Amendment 28
Cristian Dan Preda

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 3

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 29
Javier Couso Permy

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 3

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Or. en

Amendment 30

Mark Demesmaeker

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 3 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(3a) This Regulation is to be implemented in challenging times, with global energy markets adversely affected by Russian invasion of Ukraine and the annexation of Crimea in 2014, further tensions in the area of the Black Sea and the Caspian Sea, the Isis control over petrol and gas supplies in the occupied territories, as well as tensions between Saudi Arabia and Iran.

Or. en

Amendment 31

Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(4) Regulation (EU) No 994/2010 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 20 October 2010 concerning measures to safeguard security of gas supply has already had a significant positive impact on the Union situation as regards the security of the gas supply, both in terms of preparation and mitigation. Member States are better prepared to face a

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supply crisis now that they are required to draw up plans including preventive and emergency measures, and they are better protected now that they have to meet a number of obligations regarding infrastructure capacity and gas supply. However, the implementation report of Regulation (EU) No 994/2010 of October 2014 highlighted areas in which improvements to that Regulation could further bolster the Union supply security.

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Or. en

Amendment 32 **Zigmantas Balčytis**

Proposal for a regulation **Recital 5**

Text proposed by the Commission

(5) The Commission's Communication on the short-term resilience of the European gas system from October 2014¹³ analysed the effects of a partial or complete disruption of gas supplies from Russia and concluded that purely national approaches are not very effective in the event of severe disruption, given their scope, which is by definition limited. This stress test showed how a more cooperative approach among Member States could significantly reduce the impact of very severe disruption scenarios in the most vulnerable Member States.

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Amendment

(5) The Commission's Communication on the short-term resilience of the European gas system from October 2014¹³ analysed the effects of a partial or complete disruption of gas supplies from Russia and concluded that purely national approaches are not very effective in the event of severe disruption, given their scope, which is by definition limited, ***and the inadequate coordination, especially at regional level.*** This stress test showed how a more cooperative approach among Member States could significantly reduce the impact of very severe disruption scenarios in the most vulnerable Member States.

¹³ COM(2014) 654 final.

Or. It

Amendment 33 **Angel Dzhambazki**

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¹³ COM(2014) 654 final

Or. en

Amendment 34
Urmas Paet

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(5a) In order to safeguard the European Union's energy supply, it is necessary to diversify energy sources and build new energy interconnections between Member States. At the same time, it is essential to increase energy-security cooperation with the European Union's neighbouring countries, with strategic partners and also among the European institutions.

Or. et

Amendment 35
Mark Demesmaeker
on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 6

Text proposed by the Commission

(6) The Commission Communication ‘Framework Strategy for a Resilient Energy Union with a Forward-Looking Climate Change Policy’¹⁴ from February 2015, highlights the fact that the Energy Union rests on solidarity and trust, which are necessary features of energy security. This regulation should aim to boost solidarity and trust between the Member States and should put in place the measures needed to achieve these aims, thus paving the way for implementing the Energy Union.

¹⁴ Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and the European Investment Bank, COM(2015) 80 final.

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¹⁴ Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament and the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee, the Committee of the Regions and the European Investment Bank, COM(2015) 80 final.

Or. en

Amendment 36
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
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Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment 37

Notis Marias

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Or. el

Amendment 38
Zigmantas Balčytis

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(6a) In order to create a stable, flexible internal energy market, greater interaction should be ensured between the electricity and gas systems so that, should the gas supply be disrupted, electricity or other alternative energy sources could be used instead.

Or. It

Amendment 39
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(7) An internal gas market that operates smoothly is the best guarantee of security of energy supply across the Union and to reduce the exposure of individual Member States to the harmful effects of supply disruptions. Where a Member State's security of supply is threatened, there is a risk that measures developed unilaterally by that Member State may jeopardise the proper functioning of the internal gas market and damage the gas supply to customers in other Member States. To

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allow the internal gas market to function even in the face of a shortage of supply, provision must be made for solidarity and coordination in the response to supply crises, as regards *both* preventive action *and the reaction to actual disruptions of supply*.

allow the internal gas market to function even in the face of a shortage of supply, provision must be made for solidarity and coordination in the response to supply crises, as regards preventive action.

Or. el

Amendment 40 **Angel Dzhambazki**

Proposal for a regulation **Recital 7**

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Or. en

Amendment 41 **Ilhan Kyuchyuk**

Proposal for a regulation

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Or. en

Amendment 42

Cristian Dan Preda

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 7

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 43 **Cristian Dan Preda**

Proposal for a regulation **Recital 9**

Text proposed by the Commission

(9) In a spirit of solidarity, regional cooperation, involving both public authorities and natural gas undertakings, should be the guiding principle of this Regulation, to identify the relevant risks in each region and optimise the benefits of coordinated measures to mitigate them and to implement the most cost-effective measures for Union consumers.

Amendment

(9) In a spirit of solidarity, regional cooperation, involving both public authorities and natural gas undertakings, should be the guiding principle of this Regulation, to identify the relevant risks in each region and optimise the benefits of coordinated measures to mitigate them and to implement the most cost-effective measures for Union consumers. ***Solidarity should take shape at three levels: regional, inter-regional and Union.***

Or. en

Amendment 44 **Ilhan Kyuchyuk**

Proposal for a regulation **Recital 9**

Text proposed by the Commission

(9) In a spirit of solidarity, regional cooperation, involving both public authorities and natural gas undertakings, should be the guiding principle of this Regulation, to identify the relevant risks in

Amendment

(9) In a spirit of ***respect to market economy principles***, solidarity, regional cooperation, involving both public authorities and natural gas undertakings, should be the guiding principle of this

each region and optimise the benefits of coordinated measures to mitigate them and to implement the most cost-effective measures for Union consumers.

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Or. en

Amendment 45
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 9

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

(9) In a spirit of solidarity, regional cooperation, involving both public authorities and natural gas undertakings, should be the guiding principle of this Regulation, to identify the relevant risks in each region and optimise the benefits of coordinated measures to mitigate **region-specific security issues** and to implement the most cost-effective measures for Union consumers.

Or. en

Amendment 46
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 9

Text proposed by the Commission

(9) In a spirit of solidarity, **regional cooperation, involving** both public authorities and natural gas undertakings, should be the guiding principle of this Regulation, to identify the relevant risks in each region and optimise the benefits of coordinated measures to mitigate them and to implement the most cost-effective

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Or. el

Amendment 47
Georgios Epiteideios

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 10

Text proposed by the Commission

(10) Certain customers, including households and customers providing essential social services, are particularly vulnerable and may need social protection. ***A definition of such protected customers should not conflict with the Union solidarity mechanisms.***

Amendment

(10) Certain customers, including households and customers providing essential social services, are particularly vulnerable and may need ***greater*** social protection.

Or. el

Amendment 48
Cristian Dan Preda

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 10

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

(10) Certain customers, including households and customers providing essential social services, are particularly vulnerable and may need social protection. A definition of such protected customers should not conflict with the Union solidarity mechanisms ***and should be harmonised at Union level.***

Or. en

Amendment 49
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 10

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. el

Amendment 50
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 11

Text proposed by the Commission

(11) Responsibility for security of gas supply should be shared by natural gas undertakings, Member States, acting through their competent authorities; *and the Commission*, within their respective remits. Such shared responsibility requires very close cooperation between these parties. However, customers using gas for electricity generation or industrial purposes may also have an important role to play in security of gas supply, as they can respond to a crisis by taking demand-side measures such as interruptible contracts and fuel switching, which have an immediate impact on the supply/demand balance.

Amendment

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Or. el

Amendment 51
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 13

Text proposed by the Commission

(13) The infrastructure standard should **oblige** Member States to maintain a minimum level of infrastructure such as to ensure a degree of redundancy in the system in the event of a disruption of the single largest infrastructure. As an analysis by reference to the N-1 indicator constitutes a purely capacity-based-approach, the results of N-1 should be complemented with a detailed analysis that also captures gas flows.

Amendment

(13) The infrastructure standard should **encourage** Member States to maintain a minimum level of infrastructure such as to ensure a degree of redundancy in the system in the event of a disruption of the single largest infrastructure. **However, more supportive action is required in some specific regions, so that Member States are able to achieve the goal of improved infrastructure, which requires more than just the willingness to cooperate.** As an analysis by reference to the N-1 indicator constitutes a purely capacity-based-approach, the results of N-1 should be complemented with a detailed analysis that also captures gas flows.

Or. en

Amendment 52
Notis Marias

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Amendment

(13) The infrastructure standard should **encourage certain** Member States to maintain a minimum level of infrastructure such as to ensure a degree of redundancy in the system in the event of a disruption of the single largest infrastructure. As an analysis by reference to the N-1 indicator constitutes a purely capacity-based-approach, the results of N-1 should be complemented with a detailed analysis that also captures gas flows.

Or. el

Amendment 53
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

(14) Regulation (EU) No 994/2010 requires transmission system operators to enable permanent bi-directional capacity on all cross-border interconnections unless an exemption has been granted from this obligation. It aims to ensure that the possible benefits of permanent bi-directional capacity are always taken into account when a new interconnector is planned. However, bi-directional capacity can be used to supply gas both to the neighbouring Member State and to others along the gas supply corridor. The benefits for security of supply of enabling permanent bi-directional capacity thus need to be seen in a broader perspective, in a spirit of solidarity and enhanced cooperation. ***A cost-benefit analysis that takes account of the whole transportation corridor should therefore be conducted when considering whether to implement bi-directional capacity.*** The competent authorities should accordingly be required to re-examine the exemptions granted under Regulation (EU) 994/2010 on the basis of the results of the regional risk assessments.

Amendment

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Or. el

Amendment 54
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

(15) Council Directive 2008/114/EC¹⁶

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lays down a process with a view to enhancing the security of designated European critical infrastructure, including certain gas infrastructure, in the Union.

Directive 2008/114/EC together with this Regulation contributes to creating a comprehensive approach to the energy security of the Union.

¹⁶ Directive 2008/114/EC of 8 December 2008 on the identification and designation of European critical infrastructures and the assessment of the need to improve their protection (OJ L 345, 23.12.2008, p. 75).

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Or. el

Amendment 55

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Petras Auštrevičius

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 17

Text proposed by the Commission

(17) A regional approach to assessing risks and defining and adopting preventive and mitigating measures enables efforts to be coordinated, bringing significant benefits in terms of the effectiveness of measures and optimisation of resources. This applies particularly to measures designed to guarantee a continued supply, under very demanding conditions, to protected customers, and to measures to mitigate the impact of an emergency. Assessing correlated risks at regional level, which is both more comprehensive and more precise, will ensure that Member States are better prepared for any crises. Moreover, in an emergency, a coordinated and pre-agreed approach to security of supply ensures a consistent response and reduces the risk of negative spill-over effects that purely national measures could have in neighbouring Member States.

Amendment

(17) A regional approach to assessing risks and defining and adopting preventive and mitigating measures enables efforts to be coordinated, bringing significant benefits in terms of the effectiveness of measures and optimisation of resources. This applies particularly to measures designed to guarantee a continued supply, under very demanding conditions, to protected customers, and to measures to mitigate the impact of an emergency. Assessing correlated risks at regional level, which is both more comprehensive and more precise, will ensure that Member States are better prepared for any crises. Moreover, in an emergency, a coordinated and pre-agreed approach to security of supply ensures a consistent response and reduces the risk of negative spill-over effects that purely national measures could have in neighbouring Member States. ***The***

responsibility of the Member States for their national security of supply standards should not however be hampered by taking the regional approach.

Or. en

Amendment 56
Cristian Dan Preda

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 18

Text proposed by the Commission

(18) The regions are to be defined, as far as possible, on the basis of existing regional cooperation structures set up by the Member States and the Commission, in particular the regional groups set up under Regulation (EU) 347/2013 on guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure¹⁷ (the TEN-E Regulation). However, since this Regulation and the TEN-E Regulation have different aims, the respective regional groups may differ in size and design.

¹⁷ Regulation (EU) No 347/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2013 on guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure and repealing Decision No 1364/2006/EC and amending Regulation (EC) No 713/2009, (EC) 714/2009 and (EC) No 715/2009 (OJ EU L 115 of 25.4.2013, p. 39).

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¹⁷ Regulation (EU) No 347/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 April 2013 on guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure and repealing Decision No 1364/2006/EC and amending Regulation (EC) No 713/2009, (EC) 714/2009 and (EC) No 715/2009 (OJ EU L 115 of 25.4.2013, p. 39).

Or. en

Amendment 57
Ilhan Kyuchuk

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 19

Text proposed by the Commission

(19) For the purpose of this Regulation, the following criteria should therefore be taken into account when defining the regional groups: supply patterns, existing and planned interconnections and interconnection capacity between Member States, market development and maturity, existing regional cooperation structures, and the number of Member States in a region, which should be limited to ensure that the group remains of a manageable size.

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Or. en

Amendment 58
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 20

Text proposed by the Commission

(20) In order to make the regional cooperation feasible, Member States should establish a cooperation mechanism within each region. Such mechanism or mechanisms should be developed sufficiently in time to allow for conducting the risk assessment and drawing up meaningful plans at regional level. Member States are free to agree on a cooperation mechanism best suited for a given region. ***The Commission should have a facilitating role in the overall process and share best practises for arranging regional cooperation such as a rotating coordination role within the region for the preparation of the different documents or establishing dedicated bodies. In absence of an agreement on the***

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Or. el

Amendment 59
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 20

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 60
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 21

Text proposed by the Commission

(21) When conducting a comprehensive risk assessment to be prepared at regional level, competent authorities should assess natural, technological, commercial, financial, social, political and market-related risks, and any other relevant ones, ***including, where appropriate, the disruption of the supplies from the single largest supplier.*** All risks should be addressed by effective, proportionate and non-discriminatory measures to be developed in the preventive action plan and the emergency plan. The results of the risk assessments should also contribute to the all hazard risk assessments foreseen under article 6 of Decision No 1313/2013/EU¹⁸.

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¹⁸ Decision No 1313/2013/EU of the European parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 on a Union Civil protection Mechanism (OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 24).

Or. el

Amendment 61
Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Petras Auštrevičius

Proposal for a regulation
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Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 62 **Angel Dzhambazki**

Proposal for a regulation **Recital 21**

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Amendment 63**Tonino Picula****Proposal for a regulation****Recital 23***Text proposed by the Commission*

(23) To ensure maximum preparedness, so as to avoid a supply disruption and mitigate its effects should it nevertheless occur, the competent authorities of a given region must draw up preventive action plans and emergency, after consulting stakeholders. Regional plans should take account of the specific characteristics of each Member State. They should also clearly define the roles and responsibilities of the natural gas undertakings and the competent authorities. National measures to be designed should take fully account of the regional measures set out in the preventive action plan and emergency plan. They should be so designed as to address national risks in a way that takes full advantage of the opportunities provided by regional cooperation. The plans should be technical and operational in nature, their function being to help prevent the occurrence or escalation of an emergency and to mitigate its effects. The plans should take the security of electricity systems into account and be consistent with the Energy Union's strategic planning and reporting tools.

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Amendment 64
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 23

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 65
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 24

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. el

Amendment 66 **Angel Dzhambazki**

Proposal for a regulation **Recital 24**

Text proposed by the Commission

(24) The roles and responsibilities of all natural gas undertakings and competent authorities should therefore be ***defined precisely*** in order to keep the internal gas market functioning properly, particularly in the event of supply disruptions and crises. Such roles and responsibilities should be established in such a way as to ensure that a three-level approach is respected which would involve first the relevant natural gas undertakings and industry, then Member States at national or regional level, and then the Union. This Regulation should enable natural gas undertakings and customers to rely on market mechanisms for as long as possible when coping with

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Or. en

Amendment 67
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 25

Text proposed by the Commission

(25) In the event of a supply crisis, market players should be given *sufficient* opportunity to respond to the situation with market-based measures. Where market measures have been exhausted and they are still insufficient, Member States and their competent authorities should take measures to remove or mitigate the effects of the supply crisis.

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(25) In the event of a supply crisis, market players should be given *the* opportunity to respond to the situation with market-based measures. Where market measures have been exhausted and they are still insufficient, Member States and their competent authorities should take measures to remove or mitigate the effects of the supply crisis.

Or. en

Amendment 68
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 26

Text proposed by the Commission

(26) Whenever Member States plan to introduce non-market-based measures, such measures should be accompanied by a description of their economic impact. This ensures *customers have the information they need* about the costs of such measures *and ensures that the measures are transparent*, especially as regards their share in the gas price.

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(26) Whenever Member States plan to introduce non-market-based measures, such measures should be accompanied by a description of their economic impact. This ensures *the proper application of the duty to inform customers* about the costs of such measures *as well as the principle of transparency*, especially as regards their share in the gas price.

Amendment 69
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 28

Text proposed by the Commission

(28) Demand-side measures, such as fuel switching or **reducing** the gas supply to large industrial consumers in an economically efficient order, may have a valuable role to play in ensuring energy security, if they can be applied quickly and significantly reduce demand in response to a supply disruption. More should be done to promote efficient energy use, particularly where demand-side measures are needed. The environmental impact of any demand and supply-side measures proposed must be taken into account, with preference being given, as far as possible, to measures that have least impact on the environment. At the same time, security of supply and competitiveness aspects must be taken into account.

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Or. en

Amendment 70
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 28

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Or. el

Amendment 71
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 29

Text proposed by the Commission

(29) When drawing up and implementing the preventive action plan and the emergency plan, the competent authorities should, at all times, take account of the safe operation of the gas system at regional and national levels. They must address and set out in those plans the technical constraints affecting the operation of the network, including any technical and safety reasons for *reducing* flows in the event of an emergency.

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Or. en

Amendment 72
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 31

Text proposed by the Commission

(31) It is necessary to **ensure the predictability of the** action to **take** in the event of an emergency, allowing all market participants sufficient opportunity to **react and also** prepare for such **circumstances**. As a rule, the competent authorities should therefore abide by their emergency **plan**. **In** duly justified **exceptional** circumstances, they should be allowed to take action which deviates from those plans. It is also important to make the way in which emergencies are **announced** more transparent and **predictable**. Information on the system balancing position (the overall status of the transmission network), the framework for which is set out in Commission Regulation (EU) No 312/2014¹⁹, may play an important role in this regard. That information should be available to competent authorities and the national regulatory authorities, **if the latter are not the competent authority on a real time basis**.

¹⁹ Commission Regulation (EU) No 312/2014 of 26 March 2014 establishing a Network Code on Gas Balancing of Transmission Networks (OJ L 91, 27.3.2014, p.15).

Amendment

(31) It is necessary to **provide clear analysis and impact assessments of** action to **be taken** in the event of an emergency, allowing all market participants sufficient opportunity to prepare for such **potential circumstances**. As a rule, the competent authorities should therefore abide by their emergency **contingency plans**. **Only under** duly justified **extraordinary** circumstances **and after the exhaustion or rendering impossible of enacting and pursuing prior agreed contingency plans**, they should be allowed to take action which deviates from those plans. It is also important to make the way in which emergencies are **identified** more transparent and **clear**. Information on the system balancing position (the overall status of the transmission network), the framework for which is set out in Commission Regulation (EU) No 312/2014¹⁹, may play an important role in this regard. That information should be available to competent authorities and the national regulatory authorities.

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Or. en

Amendment 73
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 32

Text proposed by the Commission

(32) The preventive action **plans** and emergency plans should be updated

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regularly and published. They should be **subject to peer review**. The peer review process allows for early identification of inconsistencies and measures that could endanger other Member States' security of supply, thereby ensuring that plans from different regions are consistent with one another. It also enables Member States to share best **practice**.

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Or. en

Amendment 74
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 33

Text proposed by the Commission

(33) To ensure that the emergency plans are always up-to-date and effective, Member States should carry out tests between the **updates** of the plans **by** simulating high and medium-impact scenarios and responses in real time. The competent authorities should present the test results at the Gas Coordination Group.

Amendment

(33) To ensure that the emergency plans are always up-to-date and effective, Member States should **be given the opportunity to** carry out tests between the **update-phases** of the plans **and should be encouraged to do so through comprehensive support mechanisms**, simulating high and medium-impact scenarios and responses in real time. The competent authorities should present the test results at the Gas Coordination Group.

Or. en

Amendment 75
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 34

Text proposed by the Commission

(34) **Mandatory** comprehensive templates including all the risks to be covered by the risk assessment and all the

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Or. en

Amendment 76
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 36

Text proposed by the Commission

(36) *As demonstrated by the October 2014 stress test*, solidarity is needed to ensure security of supply across the Union and to keep overall costs to a minimum. If an emergency is declared in any Member State, a two-step approach should be applied to strengthen solidarity. Firstly, all Member States which have introduced a higher supply standard should reduce it to default values to make the gas market more liquid. Secondly, if the first step fails to provide the necessary supply, further measures by neighbouring Member States, even if not in an emergency situation, should be triggered to ensure the supply to households, essential social services and district heating installations in the Member State experiencing the emergency. Member States should identify and describe the details of these solidarity measures in their emergency plans, ensuring fair and equitable compensation of the natural gas undertakings.

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Or. el

Amendment 77
Mark Demesmaeker
on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a regulation
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Or. en

Amendment 78
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 36

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 79
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 37

Text proposed by the Commission

(37) European solidarity should also, where needed, take the form of civil protection assistance provided by the Union and its Member States. Such assistance should be facilitated and coordinated by the Union Civil Protection Mechanism established by Decision No 1313/2013/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council²⁰ aiming to strengthen the cooperation between the Union and the Member States and to facilitate coordination in the field of civil protection in order to improve the effectiveness of systems for preventing, preparing for, and

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responding to natural **and** man-made disasters.

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Or. en

Amendment 80 **Angel Dzhambazki**

Proposal for a regulation **Recital 38**

Text proposed by the Commission

(38) To assess the security of supply situation of a given Member State **or** region or **of** the Union, access to the relevant information is essential. In particular, Member States and the Commission **need regular access to information from** natural gas undertakings regarding the main parameters of the gas supply **as** a fundamental input in the design of the security of supply policies. Under duly justified circumstances, irrespective of a declaration of emergency, access **should also be possible** to additional information needed to assess the overall gas supply situation. That additional information would typically be non-price-related gas delivery information, e.g. minimum and maximum gas volumes, delivery points or supply margins. It could, for example, be requested in the event of changes in the pattern of the gas supply to a given buyer or buyers in a Member State which would not be expected if the markets were functioning normally and which could affect the gas supply of the Union or parts of it.

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Or. en

Amendment 81
Ilhan Kyuchyuk

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 38

Text proposed by the Commission

(38) To assess the security of supply situation of a given Member State or region or of the Union, access to the relevant information is essential. In particular, Member States and the Commission need regular access to information from natural gas undertakings regarding the main parameters of the gas supply as a fundamental input in the design of the security of supply policies. Under duly justified circumstances, irrespective of a declaration of emergency, access should also be possible to additional information needed to assess the overall gas supply situation. That additional information would typically be non-price-related gas delivery information, e.g. minimum and maximum gas volumes, delivery points or supply margins. It could, for example, be requested in the event of changes in the pattern of the gas supply to a given buyer or buyers in a Member State which would not be expected if the markets were functioning normally and which could affect the gas supply of the Union or parts of it.

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Or. en

Amendment 82
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 39

Text proposed by the Commission

(39) In March 2015, the European Council concluded that gas supply contracts with suppliers from third countries should be made more transparent and compatible with the Union energy security provisions. ***In this context an efficient and targeted mechanism for Member States' access to key gas supply contracts should ensure a comprehensive assessment of relevant risks that can lead to a supply disruption or interfere with the necessary mitigating measures should a crisis nevertheless occur. Under that mechanism certain key gas supply contracts should be automatically notified, immediately after their conclusion, to the Member States. However, any obligation to notify a contract automatically needs to be proportionate. Applying this obligation to contracts between a supplier and a buyer covering 40% of the national market strikes the right balance in terms of administrative efficiency and lays down clear obligations for market participants. This does not mean that other gas supply contracts are not relevant to security of supply. Accordingly, Member States should have the right to request other contracts which might negatively affect security of supply of a Member State or region or of the Union as a whole. The Commission should have the same access to the gas supply contracts as Member States, given its role in assessing the consistency and effectiveness of the preventive action plans and emergency plans to address risks to security of supply at national, regional and EU level. The Commission may call on the Member States to amend the plans so as to take***

Amendment

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account of the information obtained from the contracts. The confidentiality of commercially sensitive information should be ensured. Improved Commission access to information on commercial contracts should not affect the Commission's ongoing efforts to monitor the gas market, and the Commission should intervene if violations of the Union law are identified. The provisions of this Regulation should be without prejudice to the right of the Commission to launch infringement proceedings in accordance with Article 258 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (TFEU) and to enforce competition rules, including state aid.

Or. el

Amendment 83
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 39

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 84
Tonino Picula

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 41

Text proposed by the Commission

(41) One of the Union goals is to strengthen the Energy Community **that would** ensure effective implementation of the Union energy acquis, energy market reforms and incentivising investments in the energy sector by closer integration of the Union and Energy Community energy markets. This entails also introducing common crisis management by proposing preventive and emergency plans at the regional level including the Energy Community Contracting Parties. Furthermore, the Commission Communication on the short term resilience of the European gas system from October 2014 refers to the need to apply internal energy market rules on the flow of energy between the Union Member States and the Energy Community Contracting Parties. In this regard, in order to ensure an efficient crisis management on borders between the Union Member States and the Contracting Parties, the necessary arrangements following the adoption of a Joint Act should be set so that specific cooperation with any individual Energy Community Contracting Party can take place once the required mutual provisions have been duly put into place..

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Or. en

Amendment 85
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
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Or. en

Amendment 86

Mark Demesmaeker

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 42

Text proposed by the Commission

(42) Since gas supplies from third countries are central to the security of the Union gas supply, the Commission should coordinate action with regard to third countries, work with supplying and transit countries on arrangements to handle crisis situations and ensure a stable gas flow to

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Or. en

Amendment 87
Tonino Picula

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 42

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 88
Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Petras Auštrevičius

Proposal for a regulation
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Or. en

Amendment 89
Tonino Picula

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 44

Text proposed by the Commission

(44) The Member States acting on their own cannot satisfactorily achieve the objective of this Regulation, namely to guarantee a secure gas supply within the Union. Given the scale or effects of the action, it is better achieved at Union level. The Union may therefore adopt measures, in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity set out in Article 5 of the Treaty on European Union. In accordance with the principle of proportionality set out in that Article, this Regulation does not go

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Or. en

Amendment 90
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 44

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

(44) The Member States acting on their own cannot satisfactorily achieve the objective of this Regulation *regarding Union-wide efforts*, namely to guarantee a secure gas supply at Union level. The Union may therefore adopt measures, in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity set out in Article 5 of the Treaty on European Union. In accordance with the principle of proportionality set out in that Article, this Regulation does not go beyond what is necessary to achieve that objective.

Or. en

Amendment 91
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 45

Text proposed by the Commission

(45) To allow for a swift Union response to changing circumstances as regards security of gas supply, the power to adopt acts in accordance with Article 290 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union should be delegated to the

Amendment

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Commission in respect of amendment of regions and templates for risk assessment and plans. It is particularly important that the Commission carry out appropriate consultations during its preparatory work, including at expert level. When preparing and drawing up delegated acts, it should ensure that relevant documents are simultaneously sent to the European Parliament and the Council, in good time and in the appropriate manner.

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Or. en

Amendment 92 **Dubravka Šuica**

Proposal for a regulation **Article 1 – paragraph 1**

Text proposed by the Commission

This Regulation establishes provisions aimed at safeguarding the security of gas supply by ensuring the proper and continuous functioning of the internal market in natural gas (“gas”), by allowing for exceptional measures to be implemented when the market can no longer deliver the required gas supplies and by providing for a clear definition and attribution of responsibilities among natural gas undertakings, the Member States and the Union regarding both preventive action and the reaction to concrete disruptions of supply. This Regulation also provides transparent mechanisms, in a spirit of solidarity, for the coordination of planning for, and response to, an emergency at Member State, regional and Union levels.

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Or. hr

Amendment 93
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 1 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 94
Mark Demesmaeker
on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 2 – point 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

(1) 'protected customer' means a household customer connected to a gas distribution network and, in addition, *where the* Member State concerned so decides, may also mean one or more of the following:

Amendment

(1) 'protected customer' means a household customer connected to a gas distribution network and, in addition, *in the event that the competent authorities of each* Member State concerned so decides, may also mean one or more of the following:

Amendment 95
Cristian Dan Preda

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 2 – point 1 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

(a) a small or medium-sized enterprise, provided that it is connected to a gas distribution network, or an essential social service, provided that it is connected to a gas distribution or transmission network, and provided that such enterprises or services do not represent jointly more than 20 % of the total annual final gas consumption in that Member State;

Amendment

(a) a small or medium-sized enterprise, provided that it is connected to a gas distribution network **where there are strong grounds**, or an essential social service, provided that it is connected to a gas distribution or transmission network, and provided that such enterprises or services do not represent jointly more than 20 % of the total annual final gas consumption in that Member State;

Or. en

Amendment 96
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Security of gas supply shall be a shared responsibility of natural gas undertakings, Member States, notably through their competent authorities, **and the Commission**, within their respective areas of activities and competence.

Amendment

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Or. el

Amendment 97
Javier Couso Permuy

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. *Security of gas supply shall also ensure affordable prices of energy for citizens across the Union, to combat energetic poverty.*

Or. en

Amendment 98
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2. Each Member State shall designate a national governmental authority or a national regulatory authority as its competent authority that ensures the implementation of the measures provided for in this Regulation. Competent authorities shall cooperate with each other ***in*** the implementation of this Regulation. Member States may allow the competent authority to delegate specific tasks set out in this Regulation to other bodies. Delegated tasks shall be performed under the supervision of the competent authority ***and shall be*** specified in the plans referred to in Article 7. The declaration of any of the crisis levels referred to in Article 10(1) may be only delegated to a public authority.

2. Each Member State shall designate a national governmental authority or a national regulatory authority ***delegate*** as its competent authority that ensures the ***proper and efficient*** implementation of the measures provided for in this Regulation. Competent authorities shall cooperate with each other ***on*** the implementation of this Regulation. Member States may allow the competent authority to delegate specific tasks set out in this Regulation, to other bodies. Delegated tasks shall be performed under the supervision of the competent authority, specified in the plans referred to in Article 7 ***and duly reported to the national governmental authority***. The declaration of any of the crisis levels referred to in Article 10(1) may be only delegated to a public authority.

Or. en

Amendment 99
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. *Each Member State shall notify to the Commission without delay the name of the competent authority and any changes thereto.* Each Member State shall make the name of the competent authority public.

Amendment

3. Each Member State shall make the name of the competent authority public.

Or. el

Amendment 100
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Each Member State shall notify to the Commission *without delay* the name of the competent authority and any changes thereto. Each Member State shall make the name of the competent authority public.

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 101
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. The Commission shall, where appropriate, coordinate the action of the competent authorities at regional and Union levels, as set out in this Regulation, inter alia, through the Gas Coordination Group referred to in Article 14 or the crisis management group referred to in Article

Amendment

5. The Commission shall, where appropriate *and with the agreement of all Member States without exception*, coordinate the action of the competent authorities at regional and Union levels, as set out in this Regulation, inter alia, through the Gas Coordination Group

11(4), in particular in the event of a regional or Union emergency as defined in Article 11(1).

referred to in Article 14 or the crisis management group referred to in Article 11(4), in particular in the event of a regional or Union emergency as defined in Article 11(1).

Or. el

Amendment 102
Ilhan Kyuchyuk

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. The measures to ensure the security of supply contained in the preventive action plans and in the emergency plans shall be clearly defined, transparent, proportionate, non-discriminatory and verifiable, shall not unduly distort competition and the effective functioning of the internal market in gas and shall not endanger the security of gas supply of other Member States or of the Union as a whole.

Amendment

6. The measures to ensure the security of supply contained in the preventive action plans and in the emergency plans shall be clearly defined, **market based to the extent possible**, transparent, proportionate, non-discriminatory and verifiable, shall not unduly distort competition and the effective functioning of the internal market in gas and shall not endanger the security of gas supply of other Member States or of the Union as a whole.

Or. en

Amendment 103
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Each Member State or, where a Member State so provides, the competent authority shall ensure that the necessary measures are taken so that in the event of a disruption of the single largest gas infrastructure, the technical capacity of the

Amendment

1. Each Member State or, where a Member State so provides, the competent authority shall **strive to** ensure that the necessary measures **at the Member State's disposal** are taken so that in the event of a disruption of the single largest gas

remaining infrastructure, determined according to the N – 1 formula as provided in point 2 of Annex II, is able, without prejudice to paragraph 2 of this Article, **to** satisfy total gas demand of the calculated area during a day of exceptionally high gas demand occurring with a statistical probability of once in 20 years. This is without prejudice to the responsibility of system operators to make the corresponding investments and to the obligations of transmission system operators as laid down in Directive 2009/73/EC and Regulation (EC) No 715/2009.

infrastructure, the technical capacity of the remaining infrastructure, determined according to the N – 1 formula as provided in point 2 of Annex II, is able, without prejudice to paragraph 2 of this Article, **may** satisfy total gas demand of the calculated area during a day of exceptionally high gas demand occurring with a statistical probability of once in 20 years. This is without prejudice to the responsibility of system operators to make the corresponding investments and to the obligations of transmission system operators as laid down in Directive 2009/73/EC and Regulation (EC) No 715/2009.

Or. en

Amendment 104 **Dubravka Šuica**

Proposal for a regulation **Article 4 – paragraph 1**

Text proposed by the Commission

1. Each Member State or, **where a Member State so provides**, the competent authority shall ensure that the necessary measures are taken so that in the event of a disruption of the single largest gas infrastructure, the technical capacity of the remaining infrastructure, determined according to the N – 1 formula as provided in point 2 of Annex II, is able, without prejudice to paragraph 2 of this Article, to satisfy total gas demand of the calculated area during a day of exceptionally high gas demand occurring with a statistical probability of once in 20 years. This is without prejudice to the responsibility of system operators to make the corresponding investments and to the obligations of transmission system operators as laid down in Directive 2009/73/EC and Regulation (EC)

Amendment

1. Each Member State or the competent authority shall ensure that the necessary measures are taken so that in the event of a disruption of the single largest gas infrastructure, the technical capacity of the remaining infrastructure, determined according to the N – 1 formula as provided in point 2 of Annex II, is able, without prejudice to paragraph 2 of this Article, to satisfy total gas demand of the calculated area during a day of exceptionally high gas demand occurring with a statistical probability of once in 20 years. This is without prejudice to the responsibility of system operators to make the corresponding investments and to the obligations of transmission system operators as laid down in Directive 2009/73/EC and Regulation (EC)

Amendment 105
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Where appropriate, according to the risk assessment referred to in Article 6, the competent authorities of neighbouring Member States may agree to jointly fulfil the obligation set out in paragraph 1 of this Article. In such case the competent authorities shall provide in the preventive action plan the calculation of the N-1 formula together with an explanation how the agreed arrangements fulfil this obligation. Point 5 of Annex II shall apply.

Amendment

3. Where appropriate, according to the risk assessment referred to in Article 6, the competent authorities of neighbouring Member States may, ***within their scope of competence***, agree to jointly fulfil the obligation set out in paragraph 1 of this Article. In such case the competent authorities shall provide in the preventive action plan the calculation of the N-1 formula together with an explanation how the agreed arrangements fulfil this obligation. Point 5 of Annex II shall apply.

Amendment 106
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. In so far as an investment for enabling or enhancing permanent bi-directional capacity is not required by the market and where that investment incurs costs in more than one Member State or in one Member State for the benefit of another Member State, the national regulatory authorities of all Member States concerned shall jointly decide on cost allocation before any investment decision

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Or. en

Amendment 107
Tonino Picula

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. In so far as an investment for enabling or enhancing permanent bi-directional capacity is not required by the market and where that investment incurs costs in more than one Member State or in one Member State for the benefit of another Member State, the national regulatory authorities of all Member States concerned shall jointly decide on cost allocation before any investment decision is taken. The cost allocation shall in particular take into account the proportion of the benefits of the infrastructure investments for the increase of security of supply of the Member States concerned as well as investments already made in the infrastructure in question.

Amendment

6. In so far as an investment for enabling or enhancing permanent bi-directional capacity is not required by the market and where that investment incurs costs in more than one Member State or in one Member State for the benefit of another Member State, the national regulatory authorities of all Member States concerned shall jointly decide on cost allocation before any investment decision is taken. The cost allocation shall in particular take into account the proportion of the benefits of the infrastructure investments for the increase of security of supply of the Member States concerned as well as investments already made in the infrastructure in question. ***Sufficient Union funding should be available to the Member States to facilitate those investments.***

Or. en

Amendment 108
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

7. The competent authority shall ensure that any new transmission infrastructure contributes to the security of supply through the development of a well-connected network, including, where appropriate, by means of a sufficient number of cross-border entry and exit points according to market demand and the risks identified. The competent authorities shall assess in the risk assessment whether internal bottlenecks exist and whether national entry capacity and infrastructures, in particular transmission networks, are capable of adapting *the* national and cross border gas flows to the scenario of *the* disruption *of* the single largest gas infrastructure at national level and the single largest gas infrastructure of common interest to the region identified in the risk assessment.

Amendment

7. The competent authority shall ensure that any new transmission infrastructure contributes to the security of supply through the development of a well-connected network, including, where appropriate, by means of a sufficient number of cross-border entry and exit points according to market demand and the risks identified. The competent authorities shall assess in the risk assessment whether internal bottlenecks exist and whether national entry capacity and infrastructures, in particular transmission networks, are capable of adapting national and cross border gas flows to the scenario of disruption *to* the single largest gas infrastructure at national level and the single largest gas infrastructure of common interest to the region *previously* identified in the risk assessment.

Or. en

Amendment 109
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 – paragraph 8 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

8. Luxembourg, Slovenia and Sweden shall, by way of exception, not be bound by, but shall endeavour to meet, the obligation set out in paragraph 1 of this Article, while ensuring *the* gas supplies to protected customers in accordance with Article 5. That exception shall apply for as long as:

Amendment

8. Luxembourg, Slovenia and Sweden shall, by way of exception, not be bound by, but shall endeavour to meet, the obligation set out in paragraph 1 of this Article, while ensuring *undisrupted* gas supplies to protected customers in accordance with Article 5. That exception shall apply for as long as:

Amendment 110
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 4 – paragraph 8 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Luxembourg, Slovenia and Sweden shall ensure, in a transparent, detailed and non-discriminatory manner, regular market testing for investments in infrastructure and make public the results of those tests. They shall inform the Commission of any change in respect of the conditions set out in that subparagraph. The exception laid down in the first subparagraph shall cease to apply where at least one of those conditions is no longer fulfilled.

Amendment

Luxembourg, Slovenia and Sweden shall ensure, in a transparent, detailed and non-discriminatory manner, regular market testing for investments in infrastructure and make public the results of those tests. They shall inform the Commission, ***which shall in turn inform the Member States***, of any change in respect of the conditions set out in that subparagraph. The exception laid down in the first subparagraph shall cease to apply where at least one of those conditions is no longer fulfilled.

Or. en

Amendment 111
Mark Demesmaeker
 on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

No later than 31 March 2017 Member ***States*** shall notify the Commission their definition of protected customers, the annual gas consumption volumes of the protected customers and the percentage they represent of the total annual final gas consumption in that Member State. Where a Member State includes in its definition of protected customers the categories referred to in point (a) or (b) of Article 2 (1) it shall specify in the notification to the

Amendment

No later than 31 March 2017, ***the competent authorities*** shall notify the Commission ***of*** their definition of protected customers, the annual gas consumption volumes of the protected customers and the percentage they represent of the total annual final gas consumption in that Member State. Where a Member State includes in its definition of protected customers the categories referred to in point (a) or (b) of Article 2 (1) it shall

Commission the gas consumption volumes corresponding to consumers belonging to those categories and the percentage that each of those groups of consumers represents in terms of the annual final use of gas.

specify in the notification to the Commission the gas consumption volumes corresponding to consumers belonging to those categories and the percentage that each of those groups of consumers represents in terms of the annual final use of gas.

Or. en

Amendment 112
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

No later than 31 March 2017 Member States shall notify the Commission their definition of protected customers, the annual gas consumption volumes of the protected customers and the percentage they represent of the total annual final gas consumption in that Member State. Where a Member State includes in its definition of protected customers the categories referred to in point (a) or (b) of Article 2 (1) it shall specify in the notification to the Commission the gas consumption volumes corresponding to consumers belonging to those categories and the percentage that each of those groups of consumers represents in terms of the annual final use of gas.

Amendment

No later than 31 March 2017 Member States shall notify the Commission *of* their definition of protected customers, the annual gas consumption volumes of the protected customers and the percentage they represent of the total annual final gas consumption in that Member State. Where a Member State includes in its definition of protected customers the categories referred to in point (a) or (b) of Article 2 (1) it shall specify in the notification to the Commission the gas consumption volumes corresponding to consumers belonging to those categories and the percentage that each of those groups of consumers represents in terms of the annual final use of gas.

Or. en

Amendment 113
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 5 – paragraph 1 – subparagraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Member States may comply with the obligation laid down in the first subparagraph by replacing the gas with different **source** of energy to the extent that the same level of protection is achieved.

Amendment

Member States may comply with the obligation laid down in the first subparagraph by replacing the gas with different **sources** of energy to the extent that the same level of protection is achieved.

Or. en

Amendment 114
Eleni Theocharous

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The competent authorities of each region as listed in Annex I shall jointly make an assessment at regional level of all risks affecting the security of gas supply. The assessment shall take into account all relevant risks such as natural disasters, technological, commercial, social, political and other risks. The risk assessment shall be carried out by:

Amendment

1. The competent authorities of each region as listed in Annex I shall jointly make an assessment at regional level of all risks affecting the security of gas supply. The assessment shall take into account all relevant risks such as natural disasters, technological, commercial, social, political and other risks, ***in the context of a strategy which should call upon all the parties involved to refrain from any policy and actions which might lead to a problematic energy supply causing dysfunctionality in the states and the European market.*** The risk assessment shall be carried out by:

Or. en

Amendment 115
Ilhan Kyuchyuk

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The competent authorities of each region as listed in Annex I shall jointly make an assessment at regional level of all risks affecting the security of gas supply. The assessment shall take into account all relevant risks such as natural disasters, technological, commercial, social, political and other risks. The risk assessment shall be carried out by:

Amendment

1. The competent authorities of each region as listed in Annex I shall jointly ***and in consultation with relevant stakeholders*** make an assessment at regional level of all risks affecting the security of gas supply. The assessment shall take into account all relevant risks such as natural disasters, technological, commercial, social, political and other risks. The risk assessment shall be carried out by:

Or. en

Amendment 116
Cătălin Sorin Ivan

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The competent authorities of each region as listed in Annex I shall jointly make ***an*** assessment at regional level of all risks affecting the security of gas supply. The assessment shall take into account all relevant risks such as natural disasters, technological, commercial, social, political and other risks. The risk assessment shall be carried out by:

Amendment

1. The competent authorities of each region as listed in Annex I shall jointly make ***a comprehensive*** assessment at regional level of all risks affecting the security of gas supply. The assessment shall take into account all relevant risks such as natural disasters, technological, commercial, social, political, ***economic*** and other risks. The risk assessment shall be carried out by:

Or. en

Amendment 117
Eleni Theocharous

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point c – point ii

Text proposed by the Commission

(ii) disruption of supplies from third country suppliers, as well as, where appropriate, geopolitical risks;

Amendment

(ii) disruption of supplies from third country suppliers, as well as, where appropriate, geopolitical risks ***and a strategy shall be established to follow and evaluate relevant developments in order to prevent and take effective measures as soon as possible accordingly;***

Or. en

Amendment 118
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 1 – point c – point ii

Text proposed by the Commission

(ii) disruption of supplies from third country suppliers, ***as well as, where appropriate, geopolitical risks;***

Amendment

(ii) disruption of supplies from third country suppliers ***or reduction of supplies because of overconsumption in transit countries;***

Or. el

Amendment 119
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The competent authorities within each region shall agree on a cooperation mechanism to conduct the risk assessment within the deadline provided for in paragraph 5 of this Article. Competent authorities shall report to the Gas Coordination Group on the agreed cooperation mechanism for conducting the risk assessment 18 months before the

Amendment

The competent authorities within each region shall agree on a cooperation mechanism to conduct the risk assessment within the deadline provided for in paragraph 5 of this Article. Competent authorities shall report to the Gas Coordination Group on the agreed cooperation mechanism for conducting the risk assessment 18 months before the

deadline for the adoption of the risk assessment and the updates of the risk assessment. The Commission may have a facilitating role overall in the preparation of the risk assessment, in particular for the establishment of the cooperation mechanism. If competent authorities within a region do not agree on a cooperation mechanism, the Commission may propose a cooperation mechanism for that region.

deadline for the adoption of the risk assessment and the updates of the risk assessment. The Commission may have a facilitating role overall in the preparation of the risk assessment, in particular for the establishment of the cooperation mechanism. If competent authorities within a region do not agree on a cooperation mechanism, the Commission may, **after consulting the Member States**, propose a cooperation mechanism for that region.

Or. el

Amendment 120 **Georgios Epitideios**

Proposal for a regulation **Article 6 – paragraph 3**

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The risk assessment shall be prepared in accordance with the template in Annex IV. The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 18 to amend those templates.

Amendment

deleted

Or. el

Amendment 121 **Georgios Epitideios**

Proposal for a regulation **Article 6 – paragraph 5**

Text proposed by the Commission

5. The risk assessment once agreed by all Member States in the region shall be notified to the Commission for the first time no later than on 1 September 2018. The risk assessment shall be updated every four years unless circumstances warrant

Amendment

5. The risk assessment once agreed by all Member States in the region shall be published no later than on 1 September 2018. The risk assessment shall be updated every four years unless circumstances warrant more frequent updates. The risk

more frequent updates. The risk assessment shall take account of progress made in investments needed to cope with the infrastructure standard defined in Article 4 and of country-specific difficulties encountered in the implementation of new alternative solutions. It shall also build on the experience acquired through the simulation of the emergency plans contained in Article 9 (2).

assessment shall take account of progress made in investments needed to cope with the infrastructure standard defined in Article 4 and of country-specific difficulties encountered in the implementation of new alternative solutions. It shall also build on the experience acquired through the simulation of the emergency plans contained in Article 9 (2).

Or. el

Amendment 122
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. The risk assessment once agreed by all Member States in the region shall be ***notified*** to the Commission ***for the first time*** no later than on 1 September 2018. The risk assessment shall be updated every four years unless circumstances warrant more frequent updates. The risk assessment shall take account of progress made in investments needed to cope with the infrastructure standard defined in Article 4 and of country-specific difficulties encountered in the implementation of new alternative solutions. It shall also build on the experience acquired through the simulation of the emergency plans contained in Article 9 (2).

Amendment

5. The risk assessment once agreed by all Member States in the region shall be ***submitted*** to the Commission no later than on 1 September 2018. The risk assessment shall be updated every four years unless circumstances warrant more frequent updates. The risk assessment shall take account of progress made in investments needed to cope with the infrastructure standard defined in Article 4 and of country-specific difficulties encountered in the implementation of new alternative solutions. It shall also build on the experience acquired through the simulation of the emergency plans contained in Article 9 (2).

Or. en

Amendment 123
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 6 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. By 1 November 2017 ENTSO for Gas shall carry out a Union wide simulation of supply and infrastructure disruption scenarios. The scenarios shall be defined by ENTSO for Gas in consultation with the Gas Coordination Group. The competent authorities shall provide ENTSO for Gas with the necessary data for the simulations such as peak demand values, production capacity and demand side measures. The competent authorities shall take into account the results of the simulations for the preparation of the risk assessments, preventive action *plans* and emergency plans. The Union-wide simulation of supply and infrastructure disruption scenarios shall be updated every four years unless circumstances warrant more frequent updates.

Amendment

6. By 1 November 2017 ENTSO for Gas shall carry out a Union wide simulation of supply and infrastructure disruption scenarios. The scenarios shall be defined by ENTSO for Gas in consultation with the Gas Coordination Group. The competent authorities shall provide ENTSO for Gas with the necessary data for the simulations such as peak demand values, production capacity and demand side measures. The competent authorities shall take into account the results of the simulations for the preparation of the risk assessments, preventive action and emergency plans. The Union-wide simulation of supply and infrastructure disruption scenarios shall be updated every four years unless circumstances warrant more frequent updates.

Or. en

Amendment 124
Cristian Dan Preda

Proposal for a regulation
Article 7 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The competent authorities of the Member States of each region as listed in Annex I, after consulting the natural gas undertakings, the relevant organisations representing the interests of household and industrial gas customers, including electricity producers, and the national regulatory authorities, where they are not the competent authorities, shall establish jointly:

Amendment

1. The competent authorities of the Member States of each region as listed in Annex I, after consulting the natural gas undertakings, the relevant organisations representing the interests of household and industrial gas customers, including electricity producers, and the national regulatory authorities, where they are not the competent authorities *and after taking into account the content and structure of national plans and mechanisms*, shall establish jointly:

Or. en

Amendment 125
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Article 7 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The preventive action plan and the emergency plan shall be developed in accordance with the templates contained in Annex V. ***The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 18 to amend those templates.***

Amendment

3. The preventive action plan and the emergency plan shall be developed in accordance with the templates contained in Annex V.

Or. el

Amendment 126
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 7 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The preventive action ***plan*** and the emergency plan shall be developed in accordance with the templates contained in Annex V. The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 18 to amend those templates.

Amendment

3. The preventive action and the emergency plan shall be developed in accordance with the templates contained in Annex V. The Commission shall be empowered to adopt delegated acts in accordance with Article 18 to amend those templates.

Or. en

Amendment 127
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 7 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. The preventive action **plans** and emergency plans shall be adopted by all Member States in the region, made public and notified to the Commission no later than on 1 March 2019. Such notification shall take place once the plans have been adopted by all Member States in the region. The Commission shall inform the Gas Coordination Group about the notification of the plans and publish them on the Commission website.

Amendment

4. The preventive action and emergency plans shall be adopted by all Member States in the region, made public and notified to the Commission no later than on 1 March 2019. Such notification shall take place once the plans have been adopted by all Member States in the region. The Commission shall inform the Gas Coordination Group about the notification of the plans and **then** publish them on the Commission website **without delay**.

Or. en

Amendment 128
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 7 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Within four months of the notification by the competent authorities, the Commission shall assess those plans **duly** taking into account the peer review and the views expressed in the Gas Coordination Group. Annex VI shall apply for the procedure to carry out peer reviews.

Amendment

Within four months of the notification by the competent authorities, the Commission shall **duly** assess those plans taking into account the peer review and the views expressed in the Gas Coordination Group. Annex VI shall apply for the procedure to carry out peer reviews.

Or. en

Amendment 129
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Article 7 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

The Commission shall issue an opinion to

Amendment

The Commission shall issue an opinion to

the competent authorities of the region with the recommendation to review the relevant preventive action plan or emergency plan if the plan is considered to contain one of the following elements:

the competent authorities of the region, ***after consulting the Member States***, with the recommendation to review the relevant preventive action plan or emergency plan if the plan is considered to contain one of the following elements:

Or. el

Amendment 130
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 7 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The Commission shall issue an opinion to the competent authorities of the ***region*** with the recommendation to review the relevant preventive action ***plan*** or emergency plan if the plan is considered to contain one of the following elements:

The Commission shall issue an opinion to the competent authorities of the ***regions*** with the recommendation to review the relevant preventive action or emergency plan if the plan is considered to contain one of the following elements:

Or. en

Amendment 131
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Article 7 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 2 – point c

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) ***may distort competition or hamper the functioning of the internal energy market;***

deleted

Or. el

Amendment 132
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 7 – paragraph 6 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Within three months of notification of the Commission's opinion referred to in paragraph 4, the competent authorities concerned shall notify the amended plan to the Commission, or shall inform the Commission of the reasons for which they do not agree with the recommendations.

Amendment

Within three months of notification of the Commission's opinion referred to in paragraph 4, the competent authorities concerned shall ***review the opinion and*** notify the amended plan to the Commission, or shall inform the Commission of the reasons for which they do not agree with the recommendations.

Or. en

Amendment 133
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 7 – paragraph 6 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

In the event of disagreement, the Commission may, within three months of the reply of the competent authorities, take ***a decision requiring the*** amendment of the relevant plan. The competent authorities shall adopt and publish the plan within three months of the notification of Commission decision.

Amendment

In the event of disagreement, the Commission may, within three months of the reply of the competent authorities, ***consult the relevant actors concerned in order to facilitate an agreement and subsequent*** amendment of the relevant plan. The competent authorities shall adopt and publish the plan within three months of the notification of Commission decision.

Or. en

Amendment 134
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 7 – paragraph 8

Text proposed by the Commission

8. The preventive action ***plans*** and

Amendment

8. The preventive action and

emergency plans developed under Regulation (EU) No 994/2010, updated as appropriate, shall remain in force until the preventive action plans and emergency plans referred to in paragraph 1 are established for the first time.

emergency plans developed under Regulation (EU) No 994/2010, updated as appropriate, shall remain in force until the preventive action plans and emergency plans referred to in paragraph 1 are established for the first time.

Or. en

Amendment 135
Cristian Dan Preda

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) the definition of protected customers in each Member State of the region and the information described in the second subparagraph of Article 5(1);

Amendment

(b) the definition of protected customers in each Member State of the region and the information described in the second subparagraph of Article 5(1); ***the definition of protected customers should be harmonised at Union level;***

Or. en

Amendment 136
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The preventive action plan shall be based primarily on market measures and shall not put an undue burden on natural gas undertakings, or negatively impact ***on*** the functioning of the internal market in gas.

Amendment

3. The preventive action plan shall be based primarily on market measures and shall not put an undue burden on natural gas undertakings, or negatively impact the functioning of the internal market in gas.

Or. en

Amendment 137
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The impact assessment and **the** adopted measures shall be published by the competent authority and **shall be** notified to the Commission. Within four months of the notification the Commission shall take a decision and may require the Member States to amend the adopted measures. That period shall begin on the day following the receipt of a complete notification. The period may also be extended with the consent of both the Commission and the Member State.

Amendment

The impact assessment and adopted measures shall be published by the competent authority and notified to the Commission. Within four months of the notification the Commission shall take a decision and may require the Member States to amend the adopted measures. That period shall begin on the day following the receipt of a complete notification. The period may also be extended with the consent of both the Commission and the Member State.

Or. en

Amendment 138
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The Commission may take a decision requiring the amendment or withdrawal of a measure where a measure is:

- (a) likely to distort the Union internal market;***
- (b) likely to distort the development of the national gas market;***
- (c) not necessary or proportionate to ensure security of supply; or***
- (d) likely to jeopardize the security of supply of other Member States.***

The adopted measure shall only enter into force when it is approved by the Commission or has been amended in

Amendment

deleted

accordance with the Commission decision.

Or. el

Amendment 139
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 2 – point a

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) likely to distort the Union internal market;

(a) likely to distort the Union internal market ***negatively***;

Or. en

Amendment 140
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Article 8 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The adopted measure shall only enter into force when it is approved by the Commission or has been amended in accordance with the Commission decision.

The adopted measure shall only enter into force when it is approved by the Commission or has been amended in accordance with the Commission decision ***and in consultation with the Member States.***

Or. el

Amendment 141
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 9 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) define the role and responsibilities of natural gas undertakings and of industrial gas customers including relevant electricity producers, taking account of the different extent to which they are affected in the event of gas supply disruptions, and their interaction with the competent authorities and where appropriate with the national regulatory authorities at each of the crisis levels defined in Article 10(1);

Amendment

(b) **clearly** define the role and responsibilities of natural gas undertakings and of industrial gas customers including relevant electricity producers, taking account of the different extent to which they are affected in the event of gas supply disruptions, and their interaction with the competent authorities and where appropriate with the national regulatory authorities at each of the crisis levels defined in Article 10(1);

Or. en

Amendment 142
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 9 – paragraph 1 – point e

Text proposed by the Commission

(e) identify, if appropriate, the measures and actions to be taken to mitigate the potential impact of a gas supply disruption on district heating and the supply of electricity generated from gas;

Amendment

(e) identify, if appropriate, the measures and actions to be taken to mitigate the potential impact of a gas supply disruption on district heating and the supply of electricity generated from gas, **taking into account regional specificities**;

Or. en

Amendment 143
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Article 9 – paragraph 1 – point k

Text proposed by the Commission

(k) **detail the reporting obligations imposed on natural gas undertakings at**

Amendment

deleted

alert and emergency levels;

Or. el

Amendment 144

Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation

Article 9 – paragraph 1 – point n

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(n) establish a list of predefined actions to make gas available in the event of an emergency, including commercial agreements between the parties involved in such actions and the compensation mechanisms for natural gas undertakings where appropriate, taking due account of the confidentiality of sensitive data. Such actions may involve cross-border agreements between Member States and/or natural gas undertakings.

deleted

Or. el

Amendment 145

Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation

Article 9 – paragraph 1 – point n

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(n) establish a list of predefined actions to make gas available in the event of an emergency, including commercial agreements between the parties involved in such actions and the compensation mechanisms for natural gas undertakings where appropriate, taking due account of the confidentiality of sensitive data. Such actions may involve cross-border agreements between Member States and/or natural gas undertakings.

(n) establish a list of *possible* predefined actions to make gas *made* available in the event of an emergency, including commercial agreements between the parties involved in such actions and the compensation mechanisms for natural gas undertakings where appropriate, taking due account of the confidentiality of sensitive data. Such actions may involve cross-border agreements between Member States and/or natural gas undertakings.

Amendment 146
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Article 9 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. The emergency plan shall be updated every four years after 1 March 2019, unless circumstances warrant more frequent updates **or at the Commission's request**. The updated plan shall reflect the updated risk assessment and the conclusions of the tests carried out in accordance with paragraph 2. Article 7(3) to (7) shall apply to the updated plan.

Amendment

3. The emergency plan shall be updated every four years after 1 March 2019, unless circumstances warrant more frequent updates. The updated plan shall reflect the updated risk assessment and the conclusions of the tests carried out in accordance with paragraph 2. Article 7(3) to (7) shall apply to the updated plan.

Or. el

Amendment 147
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 10 – paragraph 1 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) alert level (alert): when a supply disruption or exceptionally high gas demand occurs **which results in** significant deterioration of the supply situation, **but** the market is still able to manage **that** disruption or demand without the need to resort to non-market measures;

Amendment

(b) alert level (alert): when a supply disruption or exceptionally high gas demand occurs, **resulting in a** significant deterioration of the supply situation, **yet** the market is still able to manage **the level of** disruption or demand without the need to resort to non-market measures;

Or. en

Amendment 148
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Article 10 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. When the competent authority declares an emergency, it shall follow the pre-defined action as set out in its emergency plan and shall immediately inform the Commission and the competent authorities in the region in particular of the action it intends to take. In duly justified exceptional circumstances, the competent authority may take action deviating from the emergency plan. The competent authority shall immediately inform the Commission and the competent authorities in the region of any such action and shall provide a justification therefore.

Amendment

3. When the competent authority declares an emergency, it shall follow the pre-defined action as set out in its emergency plan and shall immediately inform the Commission, ***the Member States*** and the competent authorities in the region in particular of the action it intends to take. In duly justified exceptional circumstances, the competent authority may take action deviating from the emergency plan. The competent authority shall immediately inform the Commission and the competent authorities in the region of any such action and shall provide a justification therefore.

Or. el

Amendment 149
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 10 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. When the competent authority declares an emergency, it shall follow the pre-defined action as set out in its emergency plan and shall immediately inform the Commission and the competent authorities in the region in particular of the action it intends to take. In duly justified exceptional circumstances, the competent authority may take action deviating from the emergency plan. The competent authority shall immediately inform the Commission and the competent authorities in the region of any such action and shall provide ***a*** justification ***therefore***.

Amendment

3. When the competent authority declares an emergency, it shall follow the pre-defined action as set out in its emergency plan and shall immediately inform the Commission and the competent authorities in the region in particular of the action it intends to take. In duly justified exceptional circumstances, the competent authority may take action deviating from the emergency plan. The competent authority shall immediately inform the Commission and the competent authorities in the region of any such action and shall provide ***a substantive*** justification ***therefor***.

Amendment 150
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 10 – paragraph 4 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) no measures are introduced that are likely to endanger *seriously* the gas supply situation in another Member State; and

Amendment

(b) no measures are introduced that are likely to endanger the gas supply situation in another Member State *seriously*; and

Or. en

Amendment 151
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Article 10 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The Commission shall verify, as soon as possible, but in any case within five days of receiving the information of the competent authority referred to in paragraph 2, whether the declaration of an emergency is justified in accordance with point (c) of paragraph 1 and whether the measures taken follow as closely as possible the actions listed in the emergency plan and are not imposing an undue burden on natural gas undertakings and are in accordance with paragraph 4. The Commission may, at the request of a competent authority, natural gas undertakings or on its own initiative, request the competent authority to modify the measures where they are contrary to the conditions referred to in the first sentence of this paragraph. The Commission may also request the competent authority to lift the declaration of emergency where it

Amendment

The Commission shall verify, as soon as possible, but in any case within five days of receiving the information of the competent authority referred to in paragraph 2, whether the declaration of an emergency is justified in accordance with point (c) of paragraph 1 and whether the measures taken follow as closely as possible the actions listed in the emergency plan and are not imposing an undue burden on natural gas undertakings and are in accordance with paragraph 4. The Commission may, at the request of a competent authority *or* natural gas undertakings or on its own initiative, request the competent authority to modify the measures where they are contrary to the conditions referred to in the first sentence of this paragraph. The Commission may also request the competent authority to lift the declaration of emergency where it

considers that such declaration is not or no longer justified according to point (c) of paragraph 1.

considers, *on the basis of supporting evidence*, that such declaration is not or no longer justified according to point (c) of paragraph 1.

Or. el

Amendment 152
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Article 10 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Within three days of the notification of the Commission request, the competent authority shall modify the measures and notify the Commission thereof, or shall inform the Commission of the reasons for which it does not agree with the request. In that case, the Commission may within three days amend or withdraw its request or, in order to consider the issue, convene the competent authority or, where appropriate, the competent authorities concerned, and, where the Commission deems it necessary, the Gas Coordination Group. The Commission shall set out its detailed reasoning for requesting any changes to the action. The competent authority shall take *full* account of the position of the Commission. Where the final decision of the competent authority diverges from the Commission position, the competent authority shall provide the reasoning underlying such decision.

Amendment

Within three days of the notification of the Commission request, the competent authority shall modify the measures and notify the Commission thereof, or shall inform the Commission of the reasons for which it does not agree with the request. In that case, the Commission may within three days amend or withdraw its request or, in order to consider the issue, convene the competent authority or, where appropriate, the competent authorities concerned, and, where the Commission deems it necessary, the Gas Coordination Group. The Commission shall set out its detailed reasoning for requesting any changes to the action. The competent authority shall take account of the position of the Commission. Where the final decision of the competent authority diverges from the Commission position, the competent authority shall provide the reasoning underlying such decision.

Or. el

Amendment 153
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 11 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. At the request of a competent authority that has declared an emergency and following the verification in accordance with Article 10(5), the Commission may declare a regional or **Union** emergency. At the request of at least two competent authorities that have declared **an** emergency and following the verification in accordance with Article 10(5), and where the reasons for these emergencies are linked, the Commission shall declare, as appropriate, a regional or Union emergency. In all cases, the Commission, using the means of communication most appropriate to the situation, shall gather the views of, and take due account of all the relevant information provided by the other competent authorities. When it assesses that the underlying basis for the regional or Union emergency no longer justifies a declaration of emergency, the Commission shall declare an end to the regional or Union emergency. In all cases, the Commission shall give its reasons and inform the Council of its decision.

Amendment

1. At the request of a competent authority that has declared an emergency and following the verification in accordance with Article 10(5), the Commission may declare a regional or **Union-wide** emergency. At the request of at least two competent authorities that have declared **a state of** emergency and following the verification **mechanism** in accordance with Article 10(5), and where the reasons for these emergencies are linked, the Commission shall declare, as appropriate, a regional or Union emergency. In all cases, the Commission **and all actors directly affected**, using the means of communication most appropriate to the situation, shall gather the views of, and take due account of all the relevant information provided by the other competent authorities. When it assesses that the underlying basis for the regional or Union emergency no longer justifies a declaration of emergency, the Commission shall declare an end to the regional or Union emergency. In all cases, the Commission shall give its reasons and inform the Council of its decision.

Or. en

Amendment 154
Georgios Epitideios

Proposal for a regulation
Article 11 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

1. At the request of a competent authority that has declared an emergency and following the verification in accordance with Article 10(5), the Commission may declare a regional or Union emergency. At the request of at least

two competent authorities that have declared an emergency and following the verification in accordance with Article 10(5), and where the reasons for these emergencies are linked, the Commission shall declare, as appropriate, a regional or Union emergency. In all cases, the Commission, using the means of communication most appropriate to the situation, shall gather the views of, and take due account of all the relevant information provided by the other competent authorities. When it assesses that the underlying basis for the regional or Union emergency no longer justifies a declaration of emergency, the Commission shall declare an end to the regional or Union emergency. In all cases, the Commission shall give its reasons and inform the Council of its decision.

two competent authorities that have declared an emergency and following the verification in accordance with Article 10(5), and where the reasons for these emergencies are linked, the Commission shall, ***after consulting the responsible authority***, declare, as appropriate, a regional or Union emergency. In all cases, the Commission, using the means of communication most appropriate to the situation, shall gather the views of, and take due account of all the relevant information provided by the other competent authorities. When it assesses that the underlying basis for the regional or Union emergency no longer justifies a declaration of emergency, the Commission shall declare an end to the regional or Union emergency. In all cases, the Commission shall give its reasons and inform the Council of its decision.

Or. el

Amendment 155
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Article 11 – paragraph 5 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) no measures are introduced that are likely to endanger ***seriously*** the gas supply situation in another Member State; and

Amendment

(b) no measures are introduced that are likely to endanger the gas supply situation in another Member State; and

Or. el

Amendment 156
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 11 – paragraph 6 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

Within three days of notification of the Commission request, the Member State or the competent authority shall change its action and notify the Commission or **shall** set out to the Commission the reasons for which it does not agree with the request. In that case, the Commission may within three days amend or withdraw its request or convene the Member State or the competent authority and, where the Commission deems it necessary, the Gas Coordination Group in order to consider the issue. The Commission shall set out its detailed reasoning for requesting any changes to the action. The Member State or the competent authority shall take full account of the position of the Commission. Where the final decision of the competent authority or the Member State diverges from the Commission position, the competent authority or the Member State shall provide the reasoning underlying such decision.

Amendment

Within three days of notification of the Commission request, the Member State or the competent authority shall change its action and notify the Commission or set out to the Commission the reasons for which it does not agree with the request. In that case, the Commission may within three days amend or withdraw its request or convene the Member State or the competent authority and, where the Commission deems it necessary, the Gas Coordination Group in order to consider the issue. The Commission shall set out its detailed reasoning for requesting any changes to the action. The Member State or the competent authority shall take full account of the position of the Commission. Where the final decision of the competent authority or the Member State diverges from the Commission position, the competent authority or the Member State shall provide the reasoning underlying such decision.

Or. en

Amendment 157
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 11 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

7. The Commission, after consulting the Gas Coordination Group, shall **establish** a permanent reserve list for a monitoring task force consisting of industry experts and representatives of the Commission. This monitoring task force may be deployed outside the Union when necessary and shall monitor and report on the gas flows into the Union, in cooperation with the supplying and

Amendment

7. The Commission, after consulting the Gas Coordination Group, shall **support the establishment of** a permanent reserve list for a monitoring task force consisting of industry experts and representatives of the Commission. This monitoring task force may be deployed outside the Union when necessary and shall monitor and report on the gas flows into the Union, in cooperation with the supplying and

transiting third countries.

transiting third countries.

Or. en

Amendment 158

Mark Demesmaeker

on behalf of the ECR Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 12 – paragraph 2 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The first subparagraph shall apply to essential social services and district heating installations to the extent they are covered by the definition of protected customers in the respective Member State.

Amendment

The first subparagraph shall apply to essential social services and district heating installations to the extent they are covered by the definition of protected customers ***applied by the competent authorities*** in the respective Member State.

Or. en

Amendment 159

Ilhan Kyuchyuk, Petras Auštrevičius

Proposal for a regulation

Article 12 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. The technical, legal and financial arrangements for the application of paragraph 3 shall be agreed among the Member States which are directly connected to each other and described in the emergency plans of their respective regions. Such arrangements may cover, among others, gas prices to be applied, use of interconnectors, including bi-directional capacity, gas volumes and the coverage of compensation costs. Market-based measures such as auctions shall be preferred for the implementation of the obligation laid down in paragraph 3. In case the technical, legal and financial

Amendment

4. The technical, legal and financial arrangements for the application of paragraph 3 shall be agreed among the Member States which are directly connected to each other and described in the emergency plans of their respective regions. Such arrangements may cover, among others, gas prices to be applied, use of interconnectors, including bi-directional capacity, gas volumes and the coverage of compensation costs. Market-based measures such as auctions shall be preferred for the implementation of the obligation laid down in paragraph 3. ***Those gas prices and compensation costs and***

arrangements necessary to apply paragraph 3 are amended, the relevant emergency plan shall be updated accordingly.

mechanisms shall be reviewed regularly.
In case the technical, legal and financial arrangements necessary to apply paragraph 3 are amended, the relevant emergency plan shall be updated accordingly.

Or. en

Amendment 160
Cristian Dan Preda

Proposal for a regulation
Article 12 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. The technical, legal and financial arrangements for the application of paragraph 3 shall be agreed ***among the Member States which are directly connected to each other*** and described in the emergency plans ***of their respective regions***. Such arrangements may cover, among others, gas prices to be applied, use of interconnectors, including bi-directional capacity, gas volumes and the ***coverage of*** compensation costs. Market-based measures such as auctions shall be preferred for the implementation of the obligation laid down in paragraph 3. In case the technical, legal and financial arrangements necessary to apply paragraph 3 are amended, the relevant emergency plan shall be updated accordingly.

Amendment

4. The technical, legal and financial arrangements for the application of paragraph 3 shall be agreed ***at the regional and inter-regional levels*** and described in the emergency plans. Such arrangements may cover, among others, gas prices to be applied, use of interconnectors, including bi-directional capacity, gas volumes and the ***shared responsibility for*** compensation costs. Market-based measures such as auctions shall be preferred for the implementation of the obligation laid down in paragraph 3. In case the technical, legal and financial arrangements necessary to apply paragraph 3 are amended, the relevant emergency plan shall be updated accordingly.

Or. en

Amendment 161
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 12 – paragraph 4

Text proposed by the Commission

4. The technical, legal and financial arrangements for the application of paragraph 3 shall be agreed among the Member States which are directly connected to each other and described in the emergency plans of their respective regions. Such arrangements may cover, among others, gas prices to be applied, use of interconnectors, including bi-directional capacity, gas volumes and the coverage of compensation costs. Market-based measures such as auctions shall be preferred for the implementation of the obligation laid down in paragraph 3. In case the technical, legal and financial arrangements necessary to apply paragraph 3 are amended, the relevant emergency plan shall be updated accordingly.

Amendment

4. The technical, legal and financial arrangements for the application of paragraph 3 shall be agreed among the Member States, which are directly connected to each other and described in the emergency plans of their respective regions ***and a supporting role of the Commission***. Such arrangements may cover, among others, gas prices to be applied, use of interconnectors, including bi-directional capacity, gas volumes and the coverage of compensation costs. Market-based measures such as auctions shall be preferred for the implementation of the obligation laid down in paragraph 3. In case the technical, legal and financial arrangements necessary to apply paragraph 3 are amended, the relevant emergency plan shall be updated accordingly.

Or. en

Amendment 162
Dubravka Šuica

Proposal for a regulation
Article 12 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. If the Member States do not agree on the necessary technical, legal and financial arrangements, the Commission may propose a framework for such measures in its opinion and decision on the plans.

Amendment

6. If the Member States do not agree on the necessary technical, legal and financial arrangements, the Commission may propose a framework for such measures in its opinion and decision on the plans ***with a view to strengthening the solidarity clause***.

Or. hr

Amendment 163
Dubravka Šuica

Proposal for a regulation
Article 13 – paragraph 2 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

2. In the event of a regional or Union emergency, the Commission is entitled to request that the competent authority provide it without delay with *at least*:

Amendment

2. In the event of a regional or Union emergency, the Commission is entitled to request that the competent authority provide it without delay with:

Or. hr

Amendment 164
Dubravka Šuica

Proposal for a regulation
Article 13 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. Where the Commission considers that the gas supply in a region or the Union as whole is affected or is likely to be affected it may require the competent authorities to collect and submit to the Commission information necessary to assess the situation of the gas supply in the Union. The Commission *may* share its assessment with the Gas Coordination Group.

Amendment

5. Where the Commission considers that the gas supply in a region or the Union as whole is affected or is likely to be affected it may require the competent authorities to collect and submit to the Commission information necessary to assess the situation of the gas supply in the Union. The Commission *shall* share its assessment with the Gas Coordination Group.

Or. hr

Amendment 165
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Article 13 – paragraph 6 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) to the competent authority and to the Commission immediately after their conclusion or modification the gas supply

Amendment

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contracts with a duration of more than 1 year concluded or modified after [OP: Please insert the date of entry in force of this Regulation] that individually or cumulatively with other contracts with the same supplier or its affiliates provide more than 40% of yearly natural gas consumption in the Member State concerned. The notification obligation shall not apply to the modifications related only to the gas price. The notification obligation shall also apply to all commercial agreements relevant for the execution of the gas supply contract.

Or. el

Amendment 166
Tonino Picula

Proposal for a regulation
Article 13 – paragraph 6 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

(b) to the competent authority and to the Commission immediately after their conclusion or modification the gas supply contracts with a duration of more than 1 year concluded or modified after [OP: Please insert the date of entry in force of this Regulation] that *individually or cumulatively with other contracts with the same supplier or its affiliates provide more than 40% of* yearly natural gas consumption in the Member State concerned. The notification obligation shall not apply to the modifications related only to the gas price. The notification obligation shall also apply to all commercial agreements relevant for the execution of the gas supply contract.

Amendment

(b) to the competent authority and to the Commission immediately after their conclusion or modification the gas supply contracts with a duration of more than 1 year concluded or modified after [OP: Please insert the date of entry in force of this Regulation] that *have an impact on internal the EU energy market and on security of supply in the Union with regard to both the proportion of* yearly natural gas consumption in the Member State concerned *and the volume of natural gas provided for by the contract*. The notification obligation shall not apply to the modifications related only to the gas price. The notification obligation shall also apply to all commercial agreements relevant for the execution of the gas supply contract.

Or. en

Amendment 167

Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation

Article 13 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7. *In duly justified circumstances, where the competent authority or the Commission considers that a gas supply contract not covered by paragraph 6(b) of this Article might affect the security of supply of a Member State, region or of the Union as whole, the competent authority of the Member State where the natural gas undertaking who has concluded the contract operates or the Commission may request the natural gas undertaking to provide the contract for the assessment of its impact on security of supply. The request may cover also any other commercial agreements relevant for the execution of the gas supply contract.*

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Or. el

Amendment 168

Dubravka Šuica

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. A Gas Coordination Group is established to *facilitate* the coordination of measures concerning security of gas supply. The Group shall be composed of representatives of the Member States, in particular of their competent authorities, as well as the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (the “Agency”), the ENTSO for Gas and representative bodies of the industry concerned and those of

1. A Gas Coordination Group is established to *improve* the coordination of measures concerning security of gas supply. The Group shall be composed of representatives of the Member States, in particular of their competent authorities, as well as the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (the “Agency”), the ENTSO for Gas and representative bodies of the industry concerned and those of

relevant customers. The Commission shall, in consultation with the Member States, decide on the composition of the Group, ensuring it is fully representative. The Commission shall chair the Group. The Group shall adopt its rules of procedure.

relevant customers. The Commission shall, in consultation with the Member States, decide on the composition of the Group, ensuring it is fully representative. The Commission shall chair the Group. The Group shall adopt its rules of procedure.

Or. hr

Amendment 169

Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation

Article 14 – paragraph 2 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) all information relevant for security of gas supply at national, regional and Union levels;

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Or. el

Amendment 170

Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation

Article 15 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. The second sentence of Article 3(2), Article 3(6), Article 4(3), (4) and (6), Article 5(2), point (d) of Article 6(1), points (b) and (e) of Article 7(5), points (e), (g), (i), of Article 8(1), point (b) and (c) of Article 8(4), points (j) and (m) of Article 9(1), Article 9(4), Article 10(4), Article 11(5) and Article 12 shall create obligations for the Members States towards an Energy Community Contracting Party subject to the following procedure:

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(a) the Ministerial Council of the Energy Community adopts and integrates

this Regulation in the Energy Community by means of a Joint Act on security of supply introducing reciprocal obligations on the side of Energy Community Contracting Parties in the relations with the Member States,

(b) the Energy Community Contracting Party implements the Joint Act and duly notifies the full implementation to the Energy Community Secretariat, including a request for the application of this paragraph for its part and

(c) the Energy Community Secretariat notifies the implementation and a request to the Commission to confirm the applicability of reciprocal obligations between the requesting Energy Community Contracting Party and the Member States.

Following the notification of the Energy Community Secretariat, the Commission takes a decision confirming the applicability of reciprocal obligations between the Member States and the Energy Community Contracting Party in view of application of this paragraph, indicating the date as of which these mutual obligations apply.

Or. el

Amendment 171
Tonino Picula

Proposal for a regulation
Article 15 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The second sentence of Article 3(2), Article 3(6), Article 4(3), (4) and (6), Article 5(2), point (d) of Article 6(1), points (b) and (e) of Article 7(5), points (e), (g), (i), of Article 8(1), point (b) and (c) of Article 8(4), points (j) and (m) of

Amendment

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Article 9(1), Article 9(4), Article 10(4), Article 11(5) and Article 12 shall create obligations *for* the Members States *towards an* Energy Community Contracting Party subject to the following procedure:

Article 9(1), Article 9(4), Article 10(4), Article 11(5) and Article 12 shall create *reciprocal* obligations *between* the Members States *and the* Energy Community Contracting Party subject to the following procedure:

Or. en

Amendment 172
Dubravka Šuica

Proposal for a regulation
Article 16 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

The Commission, on the basis of the assessments referred to in Article 7(5) shall, *when appropriate*, draw conclusions as to possible means to enhance security of supply at Union level and report to the European Parliament and the Council on the implementation of this Regulation, including, *where necessary*, recommendations for improvement of this Regulation.

Amendment

The Commission, on the basis of the assessments referred to in Article 7(5) shall draw conclusions as to possible means to enhance security of supply at Union level and report to the European Parliament and the Council on the implementation of this Regulation, including recommendations for improvement of this Regulation.

Or. hr

Amendment 173
Angel Dzhambazki

Proposal for a regulation
Article 17 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

The risk assessment, *the* preventive action plans, *the* emergency plans and all other documents shall be notified to the Commission electronically through the CIRCABC platform.

Amendment

The risk assessment, preventive action plans, emergency plans and all other documents shall be notified to the Commission electronically through the CIRCABC platform.

Or. en

Amendment 174
Notis Marias

Proposal for a regulation
Article 19 – paragraph 1 – introductory part

Text proposed by the Commission

This Regulation shall not apply to Malta and Cyprus *for as long as no gas is supplied on their respective territories*. For Malta and Cyprus the obligations laid down in, and the choices those Member States are entitled to make pursuant to, the following provisions shall be fulfilled and made within the specified time after the date when gas is first supplied on their respective territories:

Amendment

This Regulation shall not apply to Malta and Cyprus *or the regional group of Member States along the ‘Southern Gas Corridor’ as defined in Annex I*. For Malta and Cyprus the obligations laid down in, and the choices those Member States are entitled to make pursuant to, the following provisions shall be fulfilled and made within the specified time after the date when gas is first supplied on their respective territories:

Or. el