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on the proposal for a regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council
Trans-European energy infrastructure, and repeal of Decision No
1364/2006/EC

Proposal for a regulation
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Amendment 115

Yannick Jadot

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Citation 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular *Article* 172 thereof,

Amendment

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular *Articles* 172 **and 194** thereof,

Or. en

Amendment 116

Yannick Jadot

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Citation 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

Having regard to the European Parliament resolution of 5 July 2011 on energy infrastructure priorities for 2020 and beyond (2011/2034(INI)),

Or. en

Amendment 117

Ioannis A. Tsoukalas

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 118
Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(1a) The target for all Member States to have a level of interconnection equivalent to at least to 10% of their installed production capacity agreed by the Barcelona European Council 15-16 March in 2002 has not been achieved.

Or. en

Amendment 119
Niki Tzavela

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 4

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(4) Decision No 1364/2006/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 6 September 2006 lays down guidelines for trans-European energy networks . These Guidelines (TEN-E) have as objectives to

(4) According to Article 171 TFEU, one aim of the Trans-European Networks is to achieve the objectives of Article 170 TFEU. In this respect, account should be taken of Decision No 1364/2006/EC of the

support the completion of the Union internal energy market while encouraging the rational production, transportation, distribution and use of energy resources, to reduce the isolation of less-favoured and island regions, to secure and diversify the Union's energy supplies also through co-operation with third countries, and to contribute to sustainable development and protection of the environment.

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Or. en

Justification

Decision 1364/2006 stipulated that reducing the isolation of less-favoured and island regions and economic and social cohesion constituted a clear objective of the T.E.N strategy. This should also be the case in the new Regulation which should moreover clarify that the infrastructure initiative integrates and is consistent with the EU Treaty's objectives.

Amendment 120

Ioannis A. Tsoukalas

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Recital 4

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 121
Kathleen Van Brempt

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 6

Text proposed by the Commission

(6) Accelerating the refurbishment of existing and deployment of new energy infrastructure is vital to achieve the Union's energy and climate policy objectives, consisting in completing the internal market in energy, guaranteeing security of supply, notably for gas and oil, reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 20%, increasing the share of renewable energy in the final energy consumption to 20% and achieving a 20% increase in energy efficiency by 2020. At the same time, the Union has to prepare its infrastructure for **further decarbonisation of its** energy system **in the longer term** towards 2050.

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Or. nl

Amendment 122
Yannick Jadot
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Francisco Sosa Wagner, Judith A. Merkies

Proposal for a regulation

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Or. en

Amendment 123

Marita Ulvskog

Proposal for a regulation

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Or. en

Amendment 124

Graham Watson, Vittorio Prodi, Satu Hassi, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Proposal for a regulation

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Or. en

Amendment 125

Kathleen Van Brempt

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(6a) In order to attain the targets for reducing GHG emissions and for renewable energy towards 2020 and 2050, and also to build up a sustainable, competitive, safe, uninterrupted and affordable energy system, energy efficiency is crucial. Reductions in energy consumption of 20% towards 2020 and 40% towards 2050 should be laid down as binding targets.

Or. nl

Justification

Energy efficiency is the quickest and cheapest way of reducing energy consumption. Moreover, energy efficiency has a positive effect on infrastructure investment, as no infrastructure needs to be constructed for energy which is not consumed.

Amendment 126
Francisco Sosa Wagner

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(6a) Energy efficiency is a key instrument for attaining a sustainable energy future and reducing future need to invest in infrastructure.

Or. es

Amendment 127
András Gyürk

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 7

Text proposed by the Commission

(7) Despite its legal existence as defined in Directives 2009/72/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 concerning common rules for the internal market in electricity and 2009/73/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 concerning common rules for the internal market in natural gas, the internal market in energy remains fragmented due to insufficient interconnections between national energy networks. Union-wide integrated networks however are vital for ensuring a competitive and well functioning integrated market for promoting growth, employment and sustainable development.

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Or. en

Amendment 128

Alejo Vidal-Quadras, Pilar del Castillo Vera

Proposal for a regulation

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and of the Council of 13 July 2009 concerning common rules for the internal market in natural gas, the internal market in energy remains fragmented due to insufficient interconnections between national energy networks, ***the target for Member States to achieve at least 10% of electricity and gas interconnection capacity agreed by the European Council in 2002 and 2007 not having been achieved***. Union-wide integrated networks however are vital for ensuring a competitive and well functioning integrated market for promoting growth, employment and sustainable development.

Or. en

Amendment 129

Roberts Zīle, Evžen Tošenovský, Konrad Szymański

Proposal for a regulation

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Justification

The Third Energy Liberalisation Package is a basis for a competitive energy market in the EU. In order to facilitate the implementation of the 3rd energy package and move towards the truly liberalised energy market across the EU, it is necessary via the TEN-E guidelines to ensure that the effective ownership unbundling of production and supply is implemented.

Amendment 130

Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 7 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(7a) Only by full integrated internal infrastructure energetic system between Eastern and Western parts of the EU are we able to guarantee security of supplies within all Member States.

Or. en

Amendment 131

Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 7 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(7a) The Union's internal pipeline network requires further integration between its western and its eastern and south-eastern parts in order to ensure security of supply throughout the Union.

Or. ro

Amendment 132

Pilar del Castillo Vera, Algirdas Saudargas, Antonio Cancian, Maria Da Graça Carvalho, Alejo Vidal-Quadras, Seán Kelly

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 9

Text proposed by the Commission

(9) The importance of smart grids in achieving the Union's energy policy objectives has been acknowledged in Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions 'Smart grids: from innovation to deployment' .

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The Commission should present a specific proposal for the development of Smart grids, in order to fully seize the benefits of existing synergies between Energy and Telecommunications infrastructures.

Or. en

Amendment 133

Herbert Reul

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 9 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(9a) Energy storage facilities and reception, storage and regasification or decompression facilities for liquefied natural gas (LNG) and compressed natural gas (CNG) have an increasingly important role to play in the creation of a European energy infrastructure. The rapid expansion of such energy infrastructure facilities is thus desirable and an important component of a holistic approach and a functioning network infrastructure. There are, however, funding limitations for such categories of

projects that compete with each other.

Competition in the construction and operation of pumped storage power plants should not be hampered by the charging of network tariffs which treat these plants as final consumers. Disincentives arising from such tariffs should be eliminated.

Or. de

Justification

The financing of investment costs for electricity storage facilities by transmission system operators with the highest project value is contrary to the basic design of the European internal market and should therefore be rejected. The same applies to gas storage facilities such as LNG and CNG plants. Pumped storage plants are not final consumers. Investment in pumped storage power plants and the continued operation of existing facilities should therefore be encouraged in compliance with competition law through exemption from the tariffs charged to final consumers.

Amendment 134

Teresa Riera Madurell

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 10

Text proposed by the Commission

(10) Communication from the Commission ‘The EU Energy Policy: Engaging with Partners beyond Our Borders’ underlined the need for the Union to include the promotion of energy infrastructure development in its external relations with a view to supporting the socio-economic development beyond the Union borders. The Union should facilitate infrastructure projects linking the Union’s energy networks with third country networks, in particular in neighbouring countries and in countries, with which the Union has established specific energy cooperation.

Amendment

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Programme for Recovery.

Or. en

Justification

Concrete projects that have already been identified in other legislative proposals such as the TEN-E guidelines and in the Recovery Plan (Regulation (EC) No 663/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing a programme to aid economic recovery by granting Community financial assistance to projects in the field of energy, should be given priority.

Amendment 135
Werner Langen

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 11

Text proposed by the Commission

(11) The investment needs up to 2020 in electricity and gas transmission infrastructures of European relevance have been estimated at about EUR 200 billion. The significant increase in investment volumes compared to past trends and the urgency to implement the energy infrastructure priorities requires a new approach in the way energy infrastructures, and notably those of cross-border nature, are regulated and financed.

Amendment

(11) The investment needs up to 2020 in electricity and gas transmission infrastructures of European relevance have been estimated at about EUR 200 billion. The significant increase in investment volumes compared to past trends, ***as a result of the faster and more comprehensive development of renewable energy sources and the efforts to achieve the Union objectives of reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 20 %, improving energy efficiency by 20 % and increasing the share of energy consumption accounted for by renewable energy sources by 20 %, all by 2020,*** and the urgency to implement the energy infrastructure priorities requires a new approach in the way energy infrastructures, and notably those of cross-border nature, are regulated and financed.

Or. de

Amendment 136
Ioannis A. Tsoukalas

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 11

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 137
Yannick Jadot
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 11 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(11a) In its report to the June 2011 Energy Council (SEC(2011)755), the Commission has estimated total investment needs in energy infrastructures of European importance up to 2020 at about EUR 200 billion divided into about EUR 140 billion for high voltage electricity transmission systems, both onshore and offshore, storage, and smart grid applications at transmission and distribution level and about EUR 70 billion for high pressure gas transmission pipelines. This difference in investment needs should be

properly reflected with an earmarking to electricity of at least two thirds of the amount available for electricity infrastructure in the budget of the Connecting Europe Facility.

Or. en

Justification

The Commission has clearly identified that the large majority of the investments needed is within electricity infrastructure - both at transmission and distribution level. This should be sufficiently reflected when determining eligibility of funding within this guideline regulation.

Amendment 138

Kathleen Van Brempt, Judith A. Merkies

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 11 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(11a) Of the investment needs which the Commission, in June 2011, estimated at €200 bn, approximately €140 bn is intended for investment in electricity, and approximately €70 bn for investment in gas. The allocation of the funding to eligible projects should be proportionate to these investment needs. With this in mind, at least two thirds of the financial support should be reserved for electricity projects.

Or. nl

Amendment 139

Yannick Jadot

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 13 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(13a) The increasing technological complexity of the new energy mix, owing to a significant additional contribution from variable renewable sources within a short period of time, has increased the risk of lack of coordination, and even of power cuts and curtailment of renewable energy, in multi-dependent networks. Learning from the experience of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in the US, close coordination of electricity and gas systems, both at regional and at Union level, to collect information on real-time cross-border exchanges, could become an important tool for national regulators, transmission system operators, the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators and the Commission, generating necessary information for the planning and effective operation of infrastructure networks/grids. The Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators should submit proposals to the Commission for the design and implementation of appropriate real-time operational coordination of European energy infrastructure, on which the Commission should consult with all relevant stakeholders.

Or. en

Amendment 140
Herbert Reul, Lambert van Nistelrooij

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 13 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(13a) The increasing technological complexity of the new energy mix, owing to a significant additional contribution

from renewable sources within a short period of time, has increased the risk of lack of coordination, and even of power cuts, in multi-dependent networks. Close coordination of electricity and gas systems, both at regional and at Union level, to collect information on real-time cross-border exchanges, could become an important tool for national regulators, transmission system operators, the Agency and the Commission, generating necessary information for the planning and effective operation of infrastructure networks/grids. The European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity (ENTSO-E) and for Gas (ENTSO-G) should submit proposals to the Commission for the design and implementation of appropriate real-time operational coordination of European energy infrastructure taking into account different regional operational requirements.

Or. en

Justification

While the idea of a coordination of real time operation of TSOs, the legal responsibility for security of supply and a secure operation needs to be ensured by Member States and their TSOs. The vast differences in the operational requirements of the transmission systems need to be taken into account. Furthermore there are sufficient exigencies on governance and ownership of TSOs to present European legislation.

Amendment 141
Ioan Enciu

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 13 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(13a) In order to comply with the solidarity principle driving the energy policy of the Union as referred to in

Article 194 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, the balanced development of all the European regions should be taken into account for the prioritization and implementation of projects in the fields of electricity, gas and oil transmission infrastructures and for carbon dioxide transport and storage facilities.

Or. en

Amendment 142
Yannick Jadot
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 13 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(13b) Acknowledges the important role of the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators to ensure a trans-European perspective on the infrastructure developments to be promoted with this legislation. The Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators should be allocated sufficient resources to fulfil this important task.

Or. en

Amendment 143
Yannick Jadot
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 14

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(14) The Commission has identified, following close consultations with all

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Member States and stakeholders, 12 strategic trans-European energy infrastructure priorities, whose implementation by 2020 is essential for the achievement of the Union's energy and climate policy objectives. These priorities cover different geographic regions or thematic areas in the field of electricity transmission and storage, gas transmission, storage and liquefied or compressed natural gas infrastructure, *carbon dioxide transport* and oil infrastructure.

Member States and stakeholders, 12 strategic trans-European energy infrastructure priorities, whose implementation by 2020 is essential for the achievement of the Union's energy and climate policy objectives. These priorities cover different geographic regions or thematic areas in the field of electricity transmission and storage, gas transmission, storage and liquefied or compressed natural gas infrastructure and oil infrastructure.

Or. en

Amendment 144
Werner Langen

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 14 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(14a) Energy storage facilities and LNG and CNG plants will play an important role in a trans-European energy infrastructure in guaranteeing the supply and distribution of stored energy. The rapid expansion of such energy storage facilities is thus an important component of a functioning network infrastructure.

Competition in the construction and operation of pumped storage power plants or energy storage facilities should not be hampered by the charging of network tariffs which treat these plants as final consumers.

Or. de

Amendment 145
Fiona Hall, Adina-Ioana Vălean, Jens Rohde

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 14 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(14a) Notwithstanding the Union's efforts to speed up the development and deployment of carbon capture and storage, a separate allocation of grants to carbon capture and storage transport and storage infrastructure within this regulation is not justified, given that no carbon capture and storage technology on a commercial scale will be built before 2020.

Or. en

Amendment 146
András Gyürk

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(15) The identification of projects of common interest should be based on common, transparent and objective criteria in view of their contribution to the energy policy objectives. ***For electricity and gas, proposed projects should be part of the latest available ten-year network development plan. This plan should notably take account of the conclusions of the 4 February European Council with regard to the need to integrate peripheral energy markets.***

(15) The identification of projects of common interest should be based on common, transparent and objective criteria in view of their contribution to the energy policy objectives.

Or. en

Justification

The TYNDP process shall be open and flexible to incorporate PCIs proposed by the Regional Groups.

Amendment 147

Yannick Jadot

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

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(15) The identification of projects of common interest should be based on common, transparent and objective criteria in view of their contribution to the ***long-term climate and*** energy policy objectives, ***while taking*** account of the conclusions of the 4 February European Council with regard to the need to integrate peripheral energy markets.

Or. en

Amendment 148

Ioan Enciu

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 15

Text proposed by the Commission

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Amendment 149**Graham Watson, Vittorio Prodi, Adina-Ioana Vălean, Maria Da Graça Carvalho****Proposal for a regulation****Recital 15***Text proposed by the Commission*

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Or. en

Amendment 150**Bendt Bendtsen, Ioannis A. Tsoukalas, Gunnar Hökmark, Maria Da Graça Carvalho****Proposal for a regulation****Recital 15***Text proposed by the Commission*

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Or. en

Amendment 151
Jolanta Emilia Hibner

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 16

Text proposed by the Commission

(16) In view of complying with Article 172 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, regional groups should be established for the purpose of proposing projects of common interest that will be approved by Member States. In order to ensure broad consensus, these regional groups should ensure close cooperation between Member States, national regulatory authorities, project promoters and relevant stakeholders. The cooperation should *rely* as much as possible on existing regional cooperation structures *of national regulatory authorities and transmission system operators and other structures established by the Member States and the Commission*.

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Or. en

Amendment 152
Pilar del Castillo Vera, Algirdas Saudargas, Alejo Vidal-Quadras, Seán Kelly, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 16

Text proposed by the Commission

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of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, regional groups should be established for the purpose of proposing projects of common interest that will be approved by Member States, ***without undermining the existing Regional Initiatives***. In order to ensure broad consensus, these regional groups should ensure close cooperation between Member States, national regulatory authorities, project promoters and relevant stakeholders. The cooperation should rely as much as possible on existing regional cooperation structures of national regulatory authorities and transmission system operators and other structures established by the Member States and the Commission.

Or. en

Amendment 153
Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 16

Text proposed by the Commission

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Commission.

Commission.

Or. en

Justification

To ensure a framework with clear responsibilities, the Regional Groups should build on the experience of the current initiatives but should not be integrated with them.

Amendment 154
Adina-Ioana Vălean

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 17

Text proposed by the Commission

(17) The Union-wide list of projects of common interest should be limited to projects which contribute the most to the implementation of the strategic energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas. This requires the decision on the list to be taken by the Commission, while respecting the right of the Member States to approve projects of common interest related to their territory. According to analysis carried out in the accompanying impact assessment, the number of *such* projects is estimated at some 100 in the field of electricity and 50 in the field of gas.

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(17) The Union-wide list of projects of common interest should be limited to projects which contribute the most to the implementation of the strategic energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas. This requires the decision on the list to be taken by the Commission, while respecting the *principles of transparency and objectivity during the project selection process*. *The* right of the Member States to approve projects of common interest related to their territory *is safeguarded in accordance with the Treaty. In the event of Member States refusing projects of common interests in their territory, such refusal should be duly justified. However, the ultimate decision should remain in the hands of the Member States within their Regional Groups*. According to analysis carried out in the accompanying impact assessment, the number of projects *of common interest* is estimated at some 100 in the field of electricity and 50 in the field of gas.

Or. en

Amendment 155

Bendt Bendtsen, Gunnar Hökmark, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 17

Text proposed by the Commission

(17) The Union-wide list of projects of common interest should be limited to projects which contribute the most to the implementation of the strategic energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas. This requires the decision on the list to be taken by the Commission, while respecting the right of the Member States to approve projects of common interest related to their territory. According to analysis carried out in the accompanying impact assessment, the number of such projects is estimated at some 100 in the field of electricity and 50 in the field of gas.

Amendment

(17) The Union-wide list of projects of common interest should be limited to projects which contribute the most to the implementation of the strategic energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas **and has a significant impact on the implementation of the Union climate and energy objectives**. This requires the decision on the list to be taken by the Commission, while respecting the right of the Member States to approve projects of common interest related to their territory. According to analysis carried out in the accompanying impact assessment, the number of such projects is estimated at some 100 in the field of electricity and 50 in the field of gas.

Or. en

Amendment 156

András Gyürk

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 17

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 157
Adina-Ioana Vălean

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 17 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(17a) Any project fulfilling the eligibility criteria as to qualify as project of common interest that has not been included in the ten year network development plans should also be taken into consideration by the Regional Groups in the identification process, at all times.

Or. en

Justification

Such projects could face higher and artificially created financing risks due to its non-inclusion in TYNDP plans and thereby undergo uneven competition leading to market distortion whereas they would prove relevant and necessary for the implementation of the energy infrastructure priority corridors and the completion of EU energy objectives set in this Regulation.

Amendment 158
Bendt Bendtsen, Gunnar Hökmark, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 18

Text proposed by the Commission

(18) Projects of common interest should be implemented as quickly as possible and should be closely monitored and evaluated, while keeping the administrative burden for projects promoters to a minimum. The Commission should nominate European coordinators for projects facing particular difficulties.

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(18) Projects of common interest should be implemented as quickly as possible and should be closely monitored and evaluated, while keeping the administrative burden for projects promoters to a minimum. The Commission should nominate European coordinators for projects ***which pass the 3-year deadline or are*** facing particular difficulties.

Or. en

Amendment 159

Ioannis A. Tsoukalas

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 18

Text proposed by the Commission

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(18) Projects of common interest should be implemented as quickly as possible and should be closely monitored and evaluated, while keeping the administrative burden for projects promoters to a minimum. The Commission should nominate European coordinators ***in agreement with the Member States concerned*** for projects facing particular difficulties.

Or. en

Amendment 160

Yannick Jadot

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Francisco Sosa Wagner

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 20

Text proposed by the Commission

(20) Projects of common interest should be given 'priority status' at national level to ensure rapid administrative treatment. Projects of common interest shall be considered by competent authorities as being in public *interest*. **Authorisation should be given to projects which have an adverse impact on the environment, for reasons of overriding public interest, when all the conditions provided for under Directives 92/43/EC and 2000/60/EC are met.**

Amendment

(20) Projects of common interest should be given 'priority status' at national level to ensure rapid administrative treatment. Projects of common interest shall be considered by competent authorities as being in *the interest of the public*. **It should be emphasised the need to identify, according to a hierarchy of importance and in the interest of cost-effectiveness, where infrastructure could be minimised through energy efficiency policies, where existing national and cross-border infrastructure could be upgraded or modernised and where new infrastructure is needed and could be built alongside existing energy or transport infrastructure.**

Or. en

Justification

Redundant: refers to rules of existing and well known legislation and the fact that MS needs to comply with this. When referring to the interest of the public, the potential for cost-effective measures and coherent energy planning should also be highlighted.

**Amendment 161
Werner Langen**

**Proposal for a regulation
Recital 20**

Text proposed by the Commission

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(20) Projects of common interest should be given "priority status" at national level to ensure rapid administrative treatment. **Regional or national projects may also be given priority status if this serves to guarantee the integration of renewable energy sources and safeguard competition. This also includes projects**

reasons of overriding public interest, when all the conditions provided for under Directives 92/43/EC and 2000/60/EC are met.

involving third countries (e.g. Switzerland). Projects of common interest shall be considered by competent authorities as being in public interest. Authorisation should be given to projects which have an adverse impact on the environment, for reasons of overriding public interest, when all the conditions provided for under Directives 92/43/EC and 2000/60/EC are met.

Or. de

Amendment 162

Pilar del Castillo Vera, Algirdas Saudargas, Seán Kelly, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 20

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Moreover, Member States are encouraged to apply the provisions of the administrative treatment for projects of common interest and to projects of national interest.

Or. en

Amendment 163

Ioan Enciu

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 20

Text proposed by the Commission

(20) Projects of common interest should be given ‘priority status’ at national level to ensure rapid administrative treatment. Projects of common interest shall be considered by competent authorities as being in public interest. Authorisation should be given to projects which have **an** adverse impact on the environment, for reasons of overriding public interest, when all the conditions provided for under Directives 92/43/EC and 2000/60/EC are met.

Amendment

(20) Projects of common interest should be given ‘priority status’ at national level to ensure rapid administrative treatment. Projects of common interest shall be considered by competent authorities as being in public interest. Authorisation should be given to projects which have **a clear** adverse impact on the environment, for reasons of overriding public interest, when all the conditions provided for under Directives 92/43/EC and 2000/60/EC are met.

Or. en

Amendment 164
Teresa Riera Madurell

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 21

Text proposed by the Commission

(21) The establishment of a single competent authority at national level integrating **or coordinating** all permit granting procedures (‘one-stop shop’) should reduce complexity, increase efficiency and transparency and help enhance cooperation among Member States.

Amendment

(21) The establishment of a single competent authority at national level integrating all permit granting procedures (‘one-stop shop’) should reduce complexity, increase efficiency and transparency and help enhance cooperation among Member States.

Or. en

Justification

Most of the time limit to implement a new infrastructure is attributable to the phase of permits and authorizations, which is beyond the control of the promoter and operator. The process becomes more complex when competences in this area are distributed between the different

administrations, including the regional and local. The integrated scheme will speed up the process further whereas the coordinated scheme will only be a half-way solution but would not end the problem.

Amendment 165
Francisco Sosa Wagner

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 21

Text proposed by the Commission

(21) The establishment of a single competent authority at national level integrating **or coordinating** all permit granting procedures ('one-stop shop') should reduce complexity, increase efficiency and transparency and help enhance cooperation among Member States.

Amendment

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Or. en

Justification

Most of the time limit to implement a new infrastructure is attributable to the phase of permits and authorizations, which is beyond the control of the promoter and operator. Safeguarding the relevant legal guarantees, the European Institutions should be able to impose a single and efficient procedure, with a single coordinator and strict deadlines for the involved administrations

Amendment 166
Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 21 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(21a) In addition, Member States are encouraged to apply the provisions of the permit granting process for project of common interest also to other projects

where relevant.

Or. en

Amendment 167
Teresa Riera Madurell, Alejo Vidal-Quadras

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 21 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(21a) In addition, Member States are encouraged to apply the provisions of the permit granting process for projects of common interest also to projects of national interest.

Or. en

Amendment 168
Yannick Jadot
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 24

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(24) Given the urgency to develop energy infrastructures, the simplification of permit granting procedures must be accompanied by a clear deadline for the decision to be taken by the respective competent authorities regarding the construction of the project. This time limit should stimulate a more efficient definition and handling of procedures, and should under no circumstances compromise on the high standards for the protection of the environment and public participation.

(24) Given the urgency to develop energy infrastructures, the simplification of permit granting procedures must be accompanied by a clear deadline for the decision to be taken by the respective competent authorities regarding the construction of the project. This time limit should stimulate a more efficient definition and handling of procedures, and should under no circumstances compromise on the high standards for the protection of the environment and public participation. ***On the contrary, this should promote timely and coherent identification and assessment of environmental issues, an***

open approach to available technical options and early public involvement.

Or. en

Amendment 169

Fiona Hall

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 24 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(24a) Given the risk that many infrastructure projects will not meet the planned commissioning date on time due to lengthy approval processes, the project promoter shall consider a technology neutral approach from the outset of the authorisation procedure, namely by considering all technology options as listed under Annex II (1a) or a combination thereof.

Or. en

Amendment 170

Yannick Jadot

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 25

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(25) This Regulation, in particular the provisions on permit granting, public participation and implementation of projects of common interest, should apply without prejudice to international and Union legislation, including provisions to protect the environment and human health, and provisions adopted under the Common Fisheries and Maritime Policy.

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Amendment 171

Yannick Jadot

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 26

Text proposed by the Commission

(26) The assessment of the costs and benefits of an infrastructure project on the basis of a harmonised methodology for energy system-wide analysis, in the framework of the ten-year network development plans prepared by the European Networks of Transmission System Operators according to Regulation (EC) No 714/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on conditions for access to the network for cross-border exchanges in electricity and Regulation (EC) No 715/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on conditions for access to the natural gas transmission networks , and reviewed by the Agency on the Cooperation of Energy Regulators according to Regulation (EC) No 713/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing an Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators , should be the basis for the discussion on the appropriate allocation of costs.

Amendment

(26) The assessment of the costs and benefits of an infrastructure project on the basis of a harmonised methodology for ***long-term*** energy system-wide analysis ***in line with the targets of Directive 2009/28/EC, other relevant Union legislation and the EU 2050 objectives as envisaged in the Roadmaps of the Commission, in the*** framework of the ten-year network development plans prepared by the European Networks of Transmission System Operators according to Regulation (EC) No 714/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on conditions for access to the network for cross-border exchanges in electricity and Regulation (EC) No 715/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 on conditions for access to the natural gas transmission networks , and reviewed by the Agency on the Cooperation of Energy Regulators according to Regulation (EC) No 713/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 establishing an Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators, should be the basis for the discussion on the appropriate allocation of costs.

Amendment 172

András Gyürk

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 26

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 173

Pilar del Castillo Vera, Antonio Cancian, Seán Kelly, Maria Da Graça Carvalho, Alejo Vidal-Quadras

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 27

Text proposed by the Commission

(27) In an increasingly integrated internal

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energy market, clear and transparent rules for cost allocation across borders are necessary in order to accelerate investment in cross-border infrastructure. The European Council of 4 February 2011 recalled the importance to promote a regulatory framework attractive to investment in networks, with tariffs set at levels consistent with financing needs and the appropriate cost allocation for cross-border investments, while enhancing competition and competitiveness, notably of European industry, and taking account of the impact on consumers.

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Or. en

Amendment 174
Adina-Ioana Vălean

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 27 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(27a) Considering that this Regulation aims at building up a highly competitive single market for energy, the projects of common interest must help achieve the objectives of the Union common energy policy and, as a matter of priority, complete the internal energy market and guarantee security of supply, paying due consideration to avoiding market distortion.

Or. en

Amendment 175
Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz, Jerzy Buzek

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 27 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(27a) For natural gas transmission projects having a cross-border impact, Member States should consider designating an appropriate entity to take long-term commitments in the form of capacity booking in another Member State for the purpose of cross-border cost allocation to the beneficiaries of the project. Such capacity should be offered to the market.

Or. en

Justification

Infrastructure costs should be underwritten primarily by long-term capacity agreements, and/or alternatively by commitments of Member States or regulatory authorities. Cross border cost allocation should focus on the concept of cost bearing by system users in the form of long term capacity bookings; such commitments could also be entered by non-market players such as Member States or entities established by Member States for that purpose.

Amendment 176
Jolanta Emilia Hibner

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 27 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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Or. en

Amendment 177
Kathleen Van Brempt, Judith A. Merkies

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 28 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(28a) Effective functioning of the market is essential so that enough investors are attracted and the majority of the investment costs can be financed by the market. In some cases, however, market mechanisms alone will not be sufficient to achieve the intended results. This is particularly the case for the financing of key projects which in the short term are not attractive to the market but whose development is nonetheless necessary in order to attain the intended energy infrastructure targets. It is therefore crucial that the public sector should provide the requisite financial support for such projects by establishing a mix of financing instruments geared to innovation.

Or. nl

Amendment 178
Werner Langen

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 29

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

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added value of leveraging private funding through significant Union financial aid to allow implementation of projects of European significance. The European Council of 4 February 2011 recognised that some energy infrastructure projects may require limited public finance to leverage private funding. In the light of the economic and financial crisis and budgetary constraints, targeted support, through grants and financial instruments, should be developed under the next multi-annual financial framework, which will attract new investors into the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas, while keeping the budgetary contribution of the Union to a minimum.

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Or. de

Amendment 179
Francisco Sosa Wagner

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 29

Text proposed by the Commission

(29) The European Energy Programme for Recovery (EEPR) has demonstrated the added value of leveraging private funding through significant Union financial aid to allow implementation of projects of European significance. The European Council of 4 February 2011 recognised that some energy infrastructure projects may require limited public finance to leverage private funding. In the light of the economic and financial crisis and budgetary constraints, targeted support, through grants and financial instruments, should be developed under the next multi-

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annual financial framework, which will attract new investors into the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas, while keeping the budgetary contribution of the Union to a minimum.

regulatory framework, should be developed under the next multi-annual financial framework, which will attract new investors into the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas, while keeping the budgetary contribution of the Union to a minimum.

Or. en

Justification

In order to achieve the objectives pursued, the fundamental instrument is not to subsidize investments, but to establish a stable, uniform and predictable framework for the whole of Europe, so that it enables promoters and investors to capture funds in the capital markets to carry out these investments without bearing a regulatory risk. The lower the regulatory risk, the lower the investment's cost.

Amendment 180

Pilar del Castillo Vera, Algirdas Saudargas, Seán Kelly, Alejo Vidal-Quadras, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 29

Text proposed by the Commission

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Or. en

Amendment 181

Ioan Enciu

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 29

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Or. en

Amendment 182

Yannick Jadot

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 30

Text proposed by the Commission

(30) Projects of common interest in the fields of electricity, **gas** and **carbon dioxide** should be eligible to receive Union financial assistance for studies and, under certain conditions, for works under the proposed Regulation for a Connecting Europe Facility (CEF Regulation), either in the form of grants or in the form of innovative financial instruments. This will ensure tailor-made support can be provided to those projects of common interest which are not viable under the existing regulatory framework and market conditions. Such financial assistance should ensure the necessary synergies with funding from instruments under other Union policies. In particular, the Connecting Europe Facility will finance energy infrastructure of European relevance, **while** Structural Funds will finance smart energy distribution networks of local or regional importance. The two sources of funding will thereby complement each other.

Amendment

(30) Projects of common interest in the fields of electricity and **gas** should be eligible to receive Union financial assistance for studies and, under certain conditions, for works under the proposed Regulation for a Connecting Europe Facility (CEF Regulation), either in the form of grants or in the form of innovative financial instruments. This will ensure tailor-made support can be provided to those projects of common interest which are not viable under the existing regulatory framework and market conditions. Such financial assistance should ensure the necessary synergies with funding from instruments under other Union policies. In particular, the Connecting Europe Facility will finance energy infrastructure of European relevance, **and in addition to this, the** Structural Funds will finance smart energy distribution networks of local or regional importance. The two sources of funding will thereby complement each other.

Or. en

Justification

The investment needs for gas and electricity infrastructure are enormous up to 2020 and therefore do not justify priority and allocations to CCS transport infrastructure within this regulation. Due to the lack of economic and commercial viability of CCS by 2020 the regulation should focus on achieving the energy policy objectives. The Connecting Europe Facility has a specified objective of using cross-sectoral synergies between transport, energy and ICT infrastructure, where smart grids is an obvious combination of the two latter. It is important to specify that funding of smart grids is not limited to the Structural Funds.

Amendment 183
Adina-Ioana Vălean

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 30

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(30) Projects of common interest in the fields of electricity, **gas** and **carbon dioxide** should be eligible to receive Union financial assistance for studies and, under certain conditions, **for works under** the proposed Regulation for a Connecting Europe Facility (CEF Regulation), either in the form of grants or in the form of innovative financial instruments. This will ensure tailor-made support can be provided to those projects of common interest which are not viable under the existing regulatory framework and market conditions. Such financial assistance should ensure the necessary synergies with funding from instruments under other Union policies. In particular, the Connecting Europe Facility will finance energy infrastructure of European relevance, while Structural Funds will finance smart energy distribution networks of local or regional importance. The two sources of funding will thereby complement each other.

Amendment

(30) Projects of common interest in the fields of electricity and **gas** should be eligible to receive Union financial assistance for studies and, under certain conditions, **laid down in** the proposed Regulation for a Connecting Europe Facility (CEF Regulation), either in the form of grants or in the form of innovative financial instruments. This will ensure tailor-made support can be provided to those projects of common interest which are not viable under the existing regulatory framework and market conditions. Such financial assistance should ensure the necessary synergies with funding from instruments under other Union policies. In particular, the Connecting Europe Facility will finance energy infrastructure of European relevance, while Structural Funds will finance smart energy distribution networks of local or regional importance. The two sources of funding will thereby complement each other.

Or. en

Justification

The energy guidelines should determine the projects of common interest that should be realised by 2020. It is therefore important that the guidelines will be adopted as soon as possible. The conditions for the eligibility of projects of common interest for Union financial assistance under the CEF regulation should be determined inside the CEF. By this we could improve not only the consistency between allocation of EU funding available after the conclusion of the MFF and the projects of common interest that should be funded through the CEF.

Amendment 184
Sabine Wils

Proposal for a regulation
Recital 30

Text proposed by the Commission

(30) Projects of common interest in the fields of electricity, **gas** and **carbon dioxide** should be eligible to receive Union financial assistance for studies and, under certain conditions, for works under the proposed Regulation for a Connecting Europe Facility (CEF Regulation), either in the form of grants or in the form of innovative financial instruments. This will ensure tailor-made support can be provided to those projects of common interest which are not viable under the existing regulatory framework and market conditions. Such financial assistance should ensure the necessary synergies with funding from instruments under other Union policies. In particular, the Connecting Europe Facility will finance energy infrastructure of European relevance, while Structural Funds will finance smart energy distribution networks of local or regional importance. The two sources of funding will thereby complement each other.

Amendment

(30) Projects of common interest in the fields of electricity and **gas** should be eligible to receive Union financial assistance for studies and, under certain conditions, for works under the proposed Regulation for a Connecting Europe Facility (CEF Regulation), either in the form of grants or in the form of innovative financial instruments. This will ensure tailor-made support can be provided to those projects of common interest which are not viable under the existing regulatory framework and market conditions. Such financial assistance should ensure the necessary synergies with funding from instruments under other Union policies. In particular, the Connecting Europe Facility will finance energy infrastructure of European relevance, while Structural Funds will finance smart energy distribution networks of local or regional importance. The two sources of funding will thereby complement each other.

Or. de

Amendment 185

András Gyürk

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 30

Text proposed by the Commission

(30) Projects of common interest in the fields of electricity, gas and carbon dioxide should be eligible to receive Union financial assistance for studies and, under certain conditions, for works under the proposed Regulation for a Connecting Europe Facility (CEF Regulation), either in the form of grants or in the form of innovative financial instruments. This will

Amendment

(30) Projects of common interest in the fields of electricity, gas, **oil** and carbon dioxide should be eligible to receive Union financial assistance for studies and, under certain conditions, for works under the proposed Regulation for a Connecting Europe Facility (CEF Regulation), either in the form of grants or in the form of innovative financial instruments. This will

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Or. en

Amendment 186

Bendt Bendtsen, Krišjānis Kariņš, Gunnar Hökmark, Maria Da Graça Carvalho

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 32

Text proposed by the Commission

(32) *Since* the objective of this Regulation, namely the development and interoperability of trans-European energy networks and connection to such networks, cannot be sufficiently achieved by the Member States and can therefore be better achieved at Union level, the Union may adopt measures, in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity as set out in Article 5 of the Treaty on the European Union. In accordance with the principle of proportionality, as set out in that Article, this Regulation does not go beyond what is necessary in order to achieve that objective.

Amendment

(32) ***The Member States failure to meet the electricity interconnection target from the European Council in March 2002 is evidence that the*** objective of this Regulation, namely the development and interoperability of trans-European energy networks and connection to such networks, cannot be sufficiently achieved by the Member States and can therefore be better achieved at Union level, the Union may adopt measures, in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity as set out in Article 5 of the Treaty on the European Union. In accordance with the principle of proportionality, as set out in that Article, this Regulation does not go beyond what is necessary in order to achieve that objective.

Or. en

Amendment 187
Alejo Vidal-Quadras

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

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1a. The guidelines as established by this Regulation and, in particular, the projects of common interest therein identified, shall obey one or more of the following energy policy objectives:

(a) Competitiveness by promoting the further integration of the internal energy market and the interoperability of energy networks across borders;

(b) Enhancing Union security of energy supply and its system resilience and security of system operations;

(c) A sustainable development and protection of the environment.

Or. en

Amendment 188
Yannick Jadot
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) lays down rules to identify projects of common interest necessary to implement these priority corridors and areas and falling under the energy infrastructure categories in electricity, gas, oil, ***and carbon dioxide*** set out in Annex II;

(a) lays down rules to identify projects of common interest necessary to implement these priority corridors and areas and falling under the energy infrastructure categories in electricity, gas ***and*** oil set out in Annex II;

Or. en

Amendment 189
Jolanta Emilia Hibner

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

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(c) provides rules for cross-border **allocation of costs** and **risk-related** incentives for projects **of common interest**;

(c) provides rules for **enabling investments with** cross-border **impact** and incentives for **infrastructure** projects **in the priority corridors**;

Or. en

Amendment 190
Adina-Ioana Vălean, Dominique Riquet, Inés Ayala Sender, Antonio Cancian, Mario Pirillo

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

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(d) determines conditions for eligibility of projects of common interest for Union financial assistance under [Regulation of the European Parliament and the Council establishing the Connecting Europe Facility].

deleted

Or. en

Justification

The energy guidelines should determine the projects of common interest that should be realised by 2020. It is therefore important that the guidelines will be adopted as soon as possible. The conditions for the eligibility of projects of common interest for Union financial assistance under the CEF regulation should be determined inside the CEF. By this we could improve not only the consistency between allocation of EU funding available after the conclusion of the MFF and the projects of common interest that should be funded through the CEF.

Amendment 191
Adina-Ioana Vălean

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

Text proposed by the Commission

1. ‘energy infrastructure’ means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas, transportation of oil **or carbon dioxide**, or storage of electricity or gas, which is located within the Union or linking the Union **and one or more third countries**;

Amendment

1. ‘energy infrastructure’ means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas, transportation of oil, or storage of electricity or gas, **or reception, storage and regasification or decompression facilities for liquefied natural gas (LNG) and compressed natural gas (CNG)**, which is located within the Union or linking the Union;

Or. en

Justification

Energy infrastructure for gas includes LNG terminals; for consistency with the categories in Annex II Article 1, the definition shall be adapted to take this into account.

Amendment 192
Konrad Szymański

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

Text proposed by the Commission

1. ‘energy infrastructure’ means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas, transportation of oil or carbon dioxide, or storage of electricity or gas, which is located within the Union or linking the Union and one or more third countries;

Amendment

1. ‘energy infrastructure’ means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas, **or reception, storage and regasification or decompression facilities for liquefied natural gas (LNG)**, transportation of oil or carbon dioxide, or storage of electricity or gas, which is located within the Union or linking the

Union and one or more third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 193

Yannick Jadot

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. ‘energy infrastructure’ means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas, transportation of oil *or carbon dioxide*, or storage of electricity or gas, which is located within the Union or linking the Union and one or more third countries;

Amendment

1. ‘energy infrastructure’ means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas *or* transportation of oil, or storage of electricity or gas, which is located within the Union or linking the Union and one or more third countries;

Or. en

Justification

See justification for amendment to recital 30

Amendment 194

Bendt Bendtsen, Krišjānis Kariņš, Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. ‘energy infrastructure’ means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas, transportation of oil *or carbon dioxide*, or storage of electricity or gas, which is located within the Union or linking the Union and one or more third

Amendment

1. ‘energy infrastructure’ means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas, transportation of oil or storage of electricity or gas, which is located within the Union or linking the Union and one or more third countries;

countries;

Or. en

Amendment 195
Gaston Franco

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

Text proposed by the Commission

1. ‘energy infrastructure’ means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas, transportation of oil or carbon dioxide, or storage of electricity or gas, which is located within the Union or linking the Union and one or more third countries;

Amendment

1. ‘energy infrastructure’ means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas, transportation of oil or carbon dioxide, ***Liquefied Natural Gas terminals***, or storage of electricity or gas, which is located within the Union or linking the Union and one or more third countries;

Or. fr

Justification

The regulation must cover the whole energy infrastructure chain so that every part of that chain can enjoy ‘project of European interest’ status. LNG terminals in particular make it possible to meet needs in terms of flexibility and security of energy supply throughout the European Union.

Amendment 196
Marita Ulvskog

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

Text proposed by the Commission

1. ‘energy infrastructure’ means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas, transportation of ***oil or*** carbon dioxide, or storage of electricity or gas, which is located within the Union or

Amendment

1. ‘energy infrastructure’ means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas, transportation of carbon dioxide, or storage of electricity or gas, which is located within the Union or linking the

linking the Union and one or more third countries;

Union and one or more third countries;

Or. en

Amendment 197

Sabine Wils

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. 'energy infrastructure' means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas, transportation of oil **or carbon dioxide**, or storage of electricity or gas, which is located within the Union or linking the Union and one or more third countries;

Amendment

1. 'energy infrastructure' means any physical equipment designed to allow transmission and distribution of electricity or gas, transportation of oil, or storage of electricity or gas, which is located within the Union or linking the Union and one or more third countries;

Or. de

Amendment 198

Marita Ulvskog

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. 'comprehensive decision' means the decision taken by a **competent** authority to **grant or refuse** authorisation to build the energy infrastructure relating to a project, without prejudice to any **subsequent** decisions taken in the context of granting access to property, or administrative or judicial appeal procedures **thereafter**;

Amendment

2. 'comprehensive decision' means the decision **or the collection of decisions** taken by a **Member State** authority **that determines whether a project promoter is to be granted** authorisation to build the energy infrastructure relating to a project, without prejudice to any decisions taken in the context of granting access to property, **granting of operational permits** or administrative or judicial appeal procedures.

Amendment 199
Alejo Vidal-Quadras

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. 'bottleneck' means lack of capacity of interconnection due either to absence of infrastructure or to limited physical flow or faltering system management;

Or. en

Amendment 200
Alejo Vidal-Quadras, Pilar del Castillo Vera

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

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) transmission system operator or distribution system operator or other operator or investor developing a project of common interest; or

(a) transmission system operator, ***except for hydro-pumped electricity storage projects***, or distribution system operator or other operator or investor developing a project of common interest; or

Or. en

Amendment 201
Yannick Jadot
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

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

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(a) transmission system operator or distribution system operator or other **operator** or investor developing a project of common interest; or

(a) transmission system operator or distribution system operator or other **relevant actor** or investor developing a project of common interest; or

Or. en

Justification

It is sensible to encourage multi-actor participation in infrastructure projects, especially in the smart grids priority area, in which innovative technologies and services play a crucial role

Amendment 202

Yannick Jadot

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 5 – point b

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(b) if there are several transmission system operators, distribution system operators, other **operators**, investors, or any group thereof, the entity with legal personality under the applicable national law, which has been designated by contractual arrangement between them and which has the capacity to undertake legal obligations and assume financial liability on behalf of the parties to the contractual arrangement.

(b) if there are several transmission system operators, distribution system operators, other **relevant actors**, investors, or any group thereof, the entity with legal personality under the applicable national law, which has been designated by contractual arrangement between them and which has the capacity to undertake legal obligations and assume financial liability on behalf of the parties to the contractual arrangement.

Or. en

Amendment 203

Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. ‘Regional Group’ means a group set up according to the priority corridors as defined in Annex I, which include potentially eligible project promoters as well as the Commission, the Agency and both the ENTSOs, and having the tasks of collaborating in the process of selecting projects of common interest, and in monitoring their implementation. On a case-by-case basis, the group may invite representatives of other organizations representing producers, consumers or system operators.

Or. en

Amendment 204
Konrad Szymański

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 5a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. ‘Regional Group’ means a group set up according to the priority corridors as defined in Annex I, which includes representatives of the Member States, national regulatory authorities, transmission system operators, potentially eligible project promoters as well as the Commission, the Agency and both the ENTSOs, and having the tasks of collaborating in the process of selecting projects of common interest, and in monitoring their implementation; on a case-by-case basis, the group may invite representatives of other organizations representing producers, consumers or system operators.

Amendment 205

Teresa Riera Madurell, Francisco Sosa Wagner

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 5 – point b a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(ba) Operators or investors other than transmission system operators and distribution system operators will develop projects of common interest under the provisions of this Regulation provided they fulfil with the unbundling requirements set out in Article 9 of Directive 2009/72/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009 concerning common rules for the internal market in electricity and repealing Directive 2003/54/EC

Or. en

Justification

Investments by operators or investors other than TSOs and DSOs must be subject to (i) the requirements of the Unbundling models (ownership unbundling, ISO and ITO models) applied by Member States according to Article 9 of Directive 2009/72/EC; and (ii) the provisions included in this Regulation.

Amendment 206

Lambert van Nistelrooij

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. ‘Regional Group’ means a group set up according to the priority corridors as defined in Annex I, which may include representatives of the Member States,

national regulatory authorities, transmission system operators, potentially eligible project promoters, and organisations representing the infrastructure operators concerned, as well as the Commission, the Agency and both the ENTSOs, and having the tasks of collaborating in the process of selecting projects of common interest, and in monitoring their implementation.

Or. en

Justification

Consistency issue. Now it is in line with the rapporteur's amendment No. 88.

Amendment 207

Yannick Jadot

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Francisco Sosa Wagner, Judith A. Merkies

Proposal for a regulation

Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. 'Smart grid' means an electricity network that can cost efficiently integrate the behaviour and actions of all users connected to it – generators, consumers and those that do both – in order to ensure economically efficient, sustainable power system with low losses and high levels of quality and security of supply and safety.

Or. en

Justification

The added definition is from the Commission communication: Smart Grids: from innovation to deployment (SEC(2011) 463 final) and is the definition used by The European Smart Grid Task Force.

Amendment 208
Algirdas Saudargas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. ‘Regional Group’ means a group set up according to the provisions of section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as defined in Annex I.

Or. en

Amendment 209
Judith A. Merkies, Kathleen Van Brempt

Proposal for a regulation
Article 2 – paragraph 1 – point 5 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5b. ‘Microgenerators’ means a variety of small-scale electrical and heat generation technologies that can be installed and used in individual households.

Or. en

Amendment 210
Lena Kolarska-Bobińska

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

1. The Commission shall establish a Union-wide list of projects of common

deleted

interest. The list shall be reviewed and updated as necessary every two years. The first list shall be adopted by 31 July 2013 at the latest.

Or. en

Justification

Moved to the end of the article in order to make the article match the actual timeline of decision-making.

Amendment 211
Francisco Sosa Wagner

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The Commission shall establish a Union-wide list of projects of common interest. The list shall be reviewed and updated as necessary every two years. The first list *shall be adopted* by 31 July 2013 at the latest.

Amendment

1. The Commission shall establish a Union-wide list of projects of common interest. The list shall be reviewed and updated as necessary every two years *in line with the Union-wide ten-year network development plan*. The *objective is to adopt a* first list by 31 July 2013 at the latest

Or. en

Justification

The Community wide ten year network development plan, as foreseen under Article 8 of REG 715/2009, is done on a biannual basis. Therefore it should be made sure that the publication of TYNDP and the Union wide list of projects are in line with each other.

Amendment 212
Silvia-Adriana Țicău

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The Commission shall establish a Union-wide list of projects of common interest. The list shall be reviewed and updated as necessary every **two years**. The first list shall be adopted by 31 July 2013 at the latest.

Amendment

1. The Commission shall establish a Union-wide list of projects of common interest ***which it shall forward to the European Parliament and EU Council.*** The list shall be reviewed and updated as necessary every ***year.*** ***Any updates to the list shall be forwarded for approval to the European Parliament and EU Council.*** The first list shall be adopted by 31 July 2013 at the latest.

Or. ro

Amendment 213
Adina-Ioana Vălean

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The Commission shall establish a Union-wide list of projects of common interest. The list shall be reviewed and updated as necessary every two years. ***The first list shall be adopted by 31 July 2013 at the latest.***

Amendment

1. The Commission shall establish a Union-wide list of projects of common interest. The list shall be reviewed and updated as necessary every two years.

Or. en

Amendment 214
Teresa Riera Madurell, Alejo Vidal-Quadras

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

1. The Commission shall establish a Union-wide list of projects of common interest. The list shall be reviewed and updated as necessary every two years. The first list **shall be adopted** by 31 July 2013 at the latest.

Amendment

1. The Commission shall establish a Union-wide list of projects of common interest. The list shall be reviewed and updated as necessary every two years **in line with the Union-wide ten-year network development plan**. The **objective is to adopt a** first list by 31 July 2013 at the latest.

Or. en

Justification

It should be a prerequisite that those PCIs have been previously included in the TYNDP developed by ENTSOG. The Community wide ten year network development plan, as foreseen under article 8 of REG 715/2009, is done on a biannual basis. Therefore it should be made sure that the publication of TYNDP and the Union wide list of projects are in line with each other. Moreover the timelines proposed are very ambitious and even incoherent. Due attention should be given to the whole process.

Amendment 215

Pilar del Castillo Vera, Seán Kelly, Maria Da Graça Carvalho, Alejo Vidal-Quadras

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') as defined in section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as set out in Annex I.

Amendment

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') as defined in section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as set out in Annex I.

The Commission shall, taking into account the complexity of managing interconnections within an intricate geographical structure, consider, when appropriate, subdividing Regional Groups (Sub-regional Groups).

Amendment 216
Algirdas Saudargas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') **as defined in section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as set out in Annex I.**

Amendment

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') .

Amendment 217
Adina-Ioana Vălean

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') as defined in section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as set out in Annex I.

Amendment

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') as defined in section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as set out in Annex I, **two months after adoption of this regulation at the latest. The Commission shall chair the Group.**

Justification

For the well functioning of the Groups, it is necessary to determine in the regulation which

entity shall chair the Group. In order to mediate possible conflicts among Member States, the Commission should take the chair of the Group.

Amendment 218

Lena Kolarska-Bobińska

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') as defined in section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as set out in Annex I.

Amendment

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') as defined in section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as set out in Annex I. ***Each Group will carry out its workload based on previously agreed terms of reference.***

Or. en

Amendment 219

Jolanta Emilia Hibner

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') as defined in section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as set out in Annex I.

Amendment

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') as defined in section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as set out in Annex I. ***The Commission shall chair the Group.***

Or. en

Amendment 220
Konrad Szymański

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') as defined in section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as set out in Annex I.

Amendment

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') as defined in section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as set out in Annex I. ***The Commission shall chair the Group.***

Or. en

Amendment 221
Alejo Vidal-Quadras, Pilar del Castillo Vera

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') as defined in section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as set out in Annex I.

Amendment

2. For the purpose of identifying projects of common interest, the Commission shall establish a Regional Group ('Group') as defined in section 1 of Annex III based on each priority corridor and area and their respective geographical coverage as set out in Annex I. ***The Commission shall chair the Groups.***

Or. en

Amendment 222
Lena Kolarska-Bobińska

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. If, before the entry into force of this regulation, existing groups or other bodies have been working on selecting projects of significant importance for the Union energy systems, Groups referred to in paragraph 2 shall take due account of the work already carried out in these groups or bodies. Whenever existing groups or other bodies have previously agreed on projects or lists of projects of significant importance for the Union, the information on these projects or lists shall be transferred to the Groups referred to in paragraph 2 and will form the basis of the project of common interest selection process.

The provisions of Article 2.a. shall be without prejudice to the rights of any project promoter to submit an application for selection as project of common interest to the members of the respective Group.

Or. en

Amendment 223
Algirdas Saudargas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. Project promoters shall submit an application for selection of their project as a project of common interest to the relevant Group in accordance with paragraph (2)(1) of Annex III within three months after the entry into force of this Regulation.

Or. en

Amendment 224
Adina-Ioana Vălean

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

2a. The Commission shall submit the first Union-wide list of projects of common interest to the Regional Groups. The Regional Groups shall approve and adopt the list by 31 July 2013 at the latest.

Or. en

Amendment 225
Yannick Jadot
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, according to the contribution of each project to implementing the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates.

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, according to the contribution of each project to implementing the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. ***The list of projects of each Group will be considered a public plan and subject to a Strategic Environmental Assessment in accordance with Directive 2001/42/EC.*** Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates. ***Due consideration shall be given to actions allowing to achieve synergies and interoperability between projects of common interest concerning***

*different types of infrastructures,
including Telecommunications and
Transport.*

Or. en

Justification

The lists of projects of each Regional Group are public. Given their potentially significant effects on the environment, a Strategic Environmental Assessment should be carried out in accordance with Directive 2001/42/EC to ensure that any such effects are understood and will not cause problems or delays in the implementation phase. Three proposed sets of guidelines have been drawn up to feed into the Connecting Europe Facility. The guidelines relating to Telecommunications and Transport make reference to the possible synergies across sectors. The guidelines on Energy should contain a similar reference.

Amendment 226

Bendt Bendtsen, Gunnar Hökmark

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, according to the contribution of each project to implementing the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I **and** according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates.

Amendment

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, according to the contribution of each project to implementing the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I, according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of **only** the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates. ***In case a specific proposal for a cross-border project fulfils the relevant criteria, as set out in this Regulation, but is supported by only one of the involved Member States, the decision shall be deferred to the Commission, which should act in consultation with the Agency. Before taking such a decision, the Agency shall consult involved Members States and***

stakeholders.

Or. en

Justification

Project approval should not be required from Member States solely 'affected' by a project as long as there is no territorial relation to the project. If Member State approval is extended to include Member States 'affected' by a project, the pan-European approach will be further weakened.

Amendment 227

Jens Rohde

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, according to the contribution of each project to implementing the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates.

Amendment

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, according to the contribution of each project to implementing the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval *only* of the Member State(s) to the territory of which the project relates. ***In the case of proposals for cross-border projects which meet the relevant criteria set out in this regulation but are supported only by one of the Member States involved, the power of decision-making shall be delegated to the Commission, which shall act in consultation with the Agency and shall secure the involvement of the Member States and stakeholders concerned.***

Or. da

Justification

If the requirement for Member State approval is extended to include Member States that are 'affected' by a project but have no territorial connection with it, the pan-European dimension would be weakened still further. Accordingly a project which meets the criteria of the regulation should be assessed by an independent third party, i.e. the Commission, supported by the Agency and the relevant stakeholders.

Amendment 228

Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, according to the contribution of each project to implementing the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates.

Amendment

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, according to the contribution of each project to implementing the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates. ***In case a specific proposal for a cross-border project fulfils the relevant criteria as set out in the Regulation, but is supported by only one of the involved Member States, the decision shall be deferred to the Commission, which should act in consultation of the Agency.***

Or. en

Amendment 229

Algirdas Saudargas

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest **according to** the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, **according to** the contribution of each project to implementing the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and **according to their** fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. **Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates.**

Amendment

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest, **taking into account:**

– the process set out in section 2 of Annex III; **and**

– the contribution of each project to implementing the **objectives of the** energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas **as** set out in Annex I; and

– the fulfilment **by each project** of the criteria set out in Article 4.

Or. en

Amendment 230
Judith A. Merkies

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, according to the contribution of each project to implementing the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member

Amendment

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, according to the contribution of each project to implementing the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member

State(s), to the territory of which the project relates.

State(s), to the territory of which the project relates. ***Due consideration shall be given to projects allowing synergies with other networks, in particular transport and telecommunications networks.***

Or. en

Amendment 231
Lena Kolarska-Bobińska

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, according to the contribution of each project to implementing the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates.

Amendment

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, according to the contribution of each project to implementing the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the ***provisional*** approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates ***before its inclusion in the final proposed list submitted under paragraph 4.***

Or. en

Amendment 232
Jolanta Emilia Hibner

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Each Group shall draw up its ***proposed*** list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2

Amendment

3. Each Group shall draw up its list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex

of Annex III, **according to** the contribution of each project to **implementing** the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates.

III, **indicating** the contribution of each project to the **implementation of the** energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates. **The Group decides by consensus.**

Or. en

Amendment 233

Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz, Jerzy Buzek

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, according to the contribution of each project to **implementing** the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates.

Amendment

3. Each Group shall draw up its proposed list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, **indicating** according to the contribution of each project to the **implementation of the** energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates. **The Group decides by consensus.**

Or. en

Justification

To ensure a transparent process, and in accordance with the principle of subsidiarity, the decision on the list of projects of common interest should primarily come from the Regional Groups where it is to be achieved by consensus.

Amendment 234
Evžen Tošenovský

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 3

Text proposed by the Commission

3. Each Group shall draw up its **proposed** list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, **according** to the contribution of each project to **implementing** the energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates.

Amendment

3. Each Group shall draw up its list of projects of common interest according to the process set out in section 2 of Annex III, **indicating** to the contribution of each project to the **implementation of the** energy infrastructure priority corridors and areas set out in Annex I and according to their fulfilment of the criteria set out in Article 4. Each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates. **The Group decides by consensus.**

Or. en

Amendment 235
Lena Kolarska-Bobińska

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

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

3a. When an individual proposal for a project does not receive the provisional approval of one of the Member States, the Member State in question shall give a written explanation of its objection to the Group. After allowing the project promoters to address the subject of the objection, the Group may adopt, by unanimity minus one, the inclusion of the project into the proposed list with a note of the objection.

Or. en

Amendment 236
Marian-Jean Marinescu

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its proposed list of projects of common interest to the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators ('Agency').

Amendment

For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its proposed list of projects of common interest to the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators ('Agency'). ***This list shall include the opinion of the Group on the proposed list of projects of common interest, in particular taking into account the consistent application of the criteria set out in Article 4 across the Groups, and the results of the analysis carried out by the ENTSOs for Electricity and Gas in accordance with point 2.6 of Annex III.***

Or. en

Amendment 237
Jolanta Emilia Hibner

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its ***proposed*** list of projects of common interest to the ***Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators***

Amendment

For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its list of projects of common interest to the ***Commission***.

(‘Agency’).

For oil and carbon dioxide transport projects falling under the *categories set out in points 3 and 4 of Annex II*, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its list of projects of common interest to the Commission.

Or. en

Amendment 238

Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz, Jerzy Buzek

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its *proposed* list of projects of common interest to the *Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators (‘Agency’)*.

Amendment

For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its list of projects of common interest to the *Commission*.

Or. en

Justification

The consistency of the assessment of all applying projects across the regions that is currently to be ensured by an additional layer of assessment by ACER should be rather ensured at the very level of the Regional Group, in particular by the Commission, ACER, ENTSOG and other representatives participating in multiple/all regional Groups. It also supports greater efficiency and streamlining of the process.

Amendment 239

Evžen Tošenovský

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 1

Text proposed by the Commission

For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its **proposed** list of projects of common interest to the **Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators** ('Agency').

Amendment

For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its list of projects of common interest to the **Commission**.

Or. en

Amendment 240
Sabine Wils

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

For oil **and carbon dioxide** transport projects falling under the categories set out in **points 3 and 4** of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its proposed list of projects of common interest to the Commission.

Amendment

For oil transport projects falling under the categories set out in **point 3** of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its proposed list of projects of common interest to the Commission.

Or. de

Amendment 241
Evžen Tošenovský

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

For oil and carbon dioxide transport projects falling under the categories set out in points 3 and 4 of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its **proposed** list of projects of common interest to the Commission.

Amendment

For oil and carbon dioxide transport projects falling under the categories set out in points 3 and 4 of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its list of projects of common interest to the Commission.

Or. en

Amendment 242

Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz, Jerzy Buzek

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

For oil and carbon dioxide transport projects falling under the categories set out in points 3 and 4 of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its **proposed** list of projects of common interest to the Commission.

Amendment

For oil and carbon dioxide transport projects falling under the categories set out in points 3 and 4 of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its list of projects of common interest to the Commission.

Or. en

Amendment 243

Yannick Jadot

on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 4 – subparagraph 2

Text proposed by the Commission

For oil **and carbon dioxide** transport projects falling under the categories set out

Amendment

For oil transport projects falling under the categories set out in points 3 and 4 of

in points 3 and 4 of Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its proposed list of projects of common interest to the Commission.

Annex II, each Group shall, at the latest six months before the adoption date of the Union-wide list referred to in paragraph 1, submit its proposed list of projects of common interest to the Commission.

Or. en

Amendment 244
Algirdas Saudargas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 4 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

4a. When a Regional Group draws up its proposed list of projects of common interest, each individual proposal for a project shall require the approval of the Member State(s), to the territory of which the project relates.

Refusal by a Member State of the selection of a project of common interest by a Regional Group must be accompanied by:

(a) a substantiated justification for the decision

(b) a detailed and proportionate plan of alternative measures required for the achievement of the objectives of the refused project, provided that it respects the same level of economic efficiency and allocates the same benefits to other Member States without increasing their respective costs;

The Commission shall evaluate the Member States' justification and plan of alternative measures required for the achievement of the objectives in order to ascertain whether a solution can be found so that the project can be included in the Union list of projects of common interest.

Amendment 245
Jolanta Emilia Hibner

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within two months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first subparagraph of paragraph 4, an opinion to the Commission on the proposed lists of projects of common interest, in particular taking into account the consistent application of the criteria set out in Article 4 across the Groups, and the results of the analysis carried out by the ENTSOs for Electricity and Gas in accordance with point 2.6 of Annex III. *deleted*

Amendment 246
Evžen Tošenovský

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within two months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first subparagraph of paragraph 4, an opinion to the Commission on the proposed lists of *deleted*

projects of common interest, in particular taking into account the consistent application of the criteria set out in Article 4 across the Groups, and the results of the analysis carried out by the ENTSOs for Electricity and Gas in accordance with point 2.6 of Annex III.

Or. en

Amendment 247
Lambert van Nistelrooij

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within **two** months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first subparagraph of paragraph 4, **an opinion** to the Commission **on the proposed lists** of projects of common interest, **in particular taking** into account the **consistent application of the** criteria set out in Article 4 **across the Groups, and** the results of the analysis carried out by the ENTSOs for Electricity and Gas in accordance with point 2.6 of Annex III.

Amendment

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within **three** months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first subparagraph of paragraph 4, **a reasoned recommendation** to the Commission **proposing:**

– a single Union-wide list of projects of common interest. **In its analysis the Agency shall take** into account the criteria set out in Article 4, the results of the analysis carried out by the ENTSOs for Electricity and Gas in accordance with point 2.6 of Annex III, **and their consistent application across the Groups. The Agency shall also take into account the consistency of the projects with a coherent expansion of the network in regard to economic efficiency, cross-border**

operational integration, as well as the specific potential of each region to best contribute towards reaching the Union's energy and climate policy goals.

Or. en

Justification

Project clusters do not fit for gas. Moreover, by prioritizing the PCIs, the selection process would become unnecessarily complicated.

Amendment 248

António Fernando Correia de Campos

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within **two** months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first subparagraph of paragraph 4, **an opinion** to the Commission **on the proposed lists** of projects of common interest, **in particular taking** into account the **consistent application of the** criteria set out in Article 4 **across the Groups, and** the results of the analysis carried out by the ENTSOs for Electricity and Gas in accordance with point 2.6 of Annex III.

Amendment

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within **three** months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first subparagraph of paragraph 4, **a reasoned recommendation** to the Commission **proposing:**

- for each regional list, a ranking of projects **aggregated by clusters, in a limited number of categories, according to their priority;**

- a single Union-wide list of projects of common interest, **aggregated according to the corresponding clusters;**

In its analysis the Agency shall take into account the criteria set out in Article 4, the

results of the analysis carried out by the ENTSOs for Electricity and Gas in accordance with point 2.6 of Annex III, **and their consistent application across the Groups. The Agency shall also take into account the consistency of the projects with a coherent expansion of the network in regard to economic efficiency, cross-border operational integration, as well as the specific potential of each region to best contribute towards reaching the Union's energy and climate policy goals. The opinion of the Agency shall be adopted in accordance with the procedure in Article 15(1) of Regulation No 713/2009.**

Or. en

Justification

The submission of project proposals for PCI by operators follows a bottom-up approach built on the TYNDPs, which is still a patchwork of national TSO plans. The TYNDP is an immature process for assessing the efficiency of each project in contributing to the EU energy policy goals. The PCI selection should be complemented by a top-down EU internal market perspective. As an independent entity, ACER must guarantee the coherence of network expansion, ensure economically efficient investments, and safeguard the consumers' interest. Ranking shall be carried out in an aggregated form based on the cost benefit and multi-criteria analysis. ACER can ensure objectivity and independence in project analysis.

Amendment 249 **Algirdas Saudargas**

Proposal for a regulation **Article 3 – paragraph 5**

Text proposed by the Commission

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within **two** months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first subparagraph of paragraph 4, an opinion to the Commission

Amendment

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within **three** months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first subparagraph of paragraph 4, an opinion to

on the proposed lists of projects of common interest, *in particular taking* into account the *consistent application of the* criteria set out in Article 4 *across the Groups*, and the results of the analysis carried out by the ENTSOs for Electricity and Gas in accordance with point 2.6 of Annex III.

the Commission on the proposed lists of projects of common interest,

In its analysis the Agency shall take into account the criteria set out in Article 4, the results of the analysis carried out by the ENTSOs for Electricity and Gas in accordance with point 2.6 of Annex III, *and their consistent application across the Groups*.

Or. en

Amendment 250
Lena Kolarska-Bobińska

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within *two* months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first subparagraph of paragraph 4, an opinion to the Commission on the proposed lists of projects of common interest, in particular taking into account the consistent application of the criteria set out in Article 4 across the Groups, and the results of the analysis carried out by the ENTSOs for Electricity and Gas *in accordance with point 2.6 of Annex III*.

Amendment

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within *four* months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first subparagraph of paragraph 4, an opinion to the Commission on the proposed lists of projects of common interest, in particular taking into account the consistent application of the criteria set out in Article 4 across the Groups, and the results of the analysis carried out by the ENTSOs for Electricity and Gas *under the ten-year network development plans*.

Or. en

Amendment 251
András Gyürk

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within two months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first subparagraph of paragraph 4, an opinion to the Commission on the proposed lists of projects of common interest, in particular taking into account the consistent application of the criteria set out in Article 4 across the Groups, and the results of the analysis ***carried out by the ENTSOs for Electricity and Gas in accordance with point 2.6 of Annex III.***

Amendment

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within two months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first subparagraph of paragraph 4, an opinion to the Commission on the proposed lists of projects of common interest, in particular taking into account the consistent application of the criteria set out in Article 4 across the Groups and the results of the ***cost-benefit*** analysis.

Or. en

Justification

PCI not included in the latest TYNDP should also be accompanied by a cost-benefit analysis.

Amendment 252
Yannick Jadot
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 5

Text proposed by the Commission

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within ***two*** months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first subparagraph of

Amendment

5. For electricity and gas projects falling under the categories set out in points 1 and 2 of Annex II, the Agency shall submit, within ***three*** months from the date of receipt of the proposed lists of projects of common interest set out in the first

paragraph 4, an opinion to the Commission on the proposed lists of projects of common interest, in particular taking into account the consistent application of the criteria set out in Article 4 across the Groups, and the results of the analysis carried out by the ENTSOs for Electricity and Gas in accordance with point 2.6 of Annex III.

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Or. en

Amendment 253
Jolanta Emilia Hibner

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 5 – subparagraph 1 (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

The Commission shall compile the regional lists of projects of common interest submitted by the Groups into the Union-wide list of projects of common interest. The Commission may remove individual projects from the list only when the respective project promoter requested this or in case the inclusion of the project in the regional list was based on incorrect information which was a determining factor for the decision. The decision of the Commission shall be duly reasoned and delivered to the respective project promoter and the respective Member State(s).

Or. en

Amendment 254
Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz, Jerzy Buzek

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 5 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

5a. The Commission shall compile the regional lists of projects of common interest submitted by the Groups into the Union-wide list of projects of common interest. The Commission may remove individual projects from the list only when the respective project promoter requested this or in case the inclusion of the project in the regional list was based on incorrect information which was a determining factor for the decision. The decision of the Commission shall be duly reasoned and delivered to the respective project promoter and the respective Member State(s).

Or. en

Justification

This proposal complements the proposal for Amendments of Articles 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4

Amendment 255
Adina-Ioana Vălean

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

6. For oil ***and carbon dioxide*** transport projects falling under the categories set out in points 3 and 4 of Annex II, the Commission shall evaluate the application of the criteria set out in Article 4. ***For carbon dioxide projects falling under the category set out in point 4 of Annex II, the Commission shall also take into account the potential for future extension to include additional Member States.***

6. For oil transport projects falling under the categories set out in points 3 and 4 of Annex II, the Commission shall evaluate the application of the criteria set out in Article 4.

Or. en

Amendment 256
Sabine Wils

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. For oil *and carbon dioxide* transport projects falling under the categories set out in *points 3 and 4* of Annex II, the Commission shall evaluate the application of the criteria set out in Article 4. For carbon dioxide projects falling under the category set out in point 4 of Annex II, the Commission shall also take into account the potential for future extension to include additional Member States.

Amendment

6. For oil transport projects falling under the categories set out in *point 3* of Annex II, the Commission shall evaluate the application of the criteria set out in Article 4. For carbon dioxide projects falling under the category set out in point 4 of Annex II, the Commission shall also take into account the potential for future extension to include additional Member States.

Or. de

Amendment 257
Yannick Jadot
on behalf of the Verts/ALE Group

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 6

Text proposed by the Commission

6. For oil *and carbon dioxide* transport projects falling under the categories set out in *points 3 and 4* of Annex II, the Commission shall evaluate the application of the criteria set out in Article 4. For carbon dioxide projects falling under the category set out in point 4 of Annex II, the Commission shall also take into account the potential for future extension to include additional Member States.

Amendment

6. For oil transport projects falling under the categories set out in *point 3* of Annex II, the Commission shall evaluate the application of the criteria set out in Article 4. For carbon dioxide projects falling under the category set out in point 4 of Annex II, the Commission shall also take into account the potential for future extension to include additional Member States.

Or. en

Amendment 258
Lambert van Nistelrooij

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

6a. Within two months of receipt of the recommendation for a list of projects of common interest by the Agency, the Commission shall establish a Union-wide list of projects of common interest ensuring that adequate attention is given to peripheral and small Member States and to the objective of ending energy isolation within the Union by 2015. The list shall be reviewed and updated as necessary every two years, in line with the Union's ten year network development plans, and following the procedure set out in paragraphs 3 to 6a of this Article.

Or. en

Justification

Project clusters do not really fit for gas.

Amendment 259
Algirdas Saudargas

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

6a. Within two months of receipt of the Agency's opinion for a list of projects of common, the Commission shall establish a Union-wide list of projects of common interest, while ensuring that adequate attention is given to peripheral and small Member States and to the objective of ending energy isolation within the Union

by 2015. The list shall be reviewed and updated as necessary every two years following the procedure set out in paragraphs 3 to 6a of this Article.

Or. en

Amendment 260
Lena Kolarska-Bobińska

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 6 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

6a. On the basis of the regional lists adopted by the Groups, The Commission shall establish a Union-wide list of projects of common interest. The list shall be reviewed and updated as necessary every two years. The first list shall be adopted by 31 July 2013 at the latest.

Or. en

Justification

Move from paragraph 1 for timeline reasons.

Amendment 261
András Gyürk

Proposal for a regulation
Article 3 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

7. Following the Commission decision for adoption referred to in paragraph 1, projects of common interest shall become an integral part of the relevant regional investment plans pursuant Article 12 of Regulations (EC) No 714/2009 and (EC)

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No 715/2009 and of the relevant national ten-year network development plans pursuant Article 22 of Directives 72/2009/EC and 73/2009/EC and other national infrastructure plans concerned, as appropriate. The projects shall be conferred the highest possible priority within each of these plans.

and Gas pursuant Article 8 of Regulations (EC) 714/2009 and (EC) 715/2009, of the relevant regional investment plans pursuant Article 12 of Regulations (EC) No 714/2009 and (EC) No 715/2009 and of the relevant national ten-year network development plans pursuant Article 22 of Directives 72/2009/EC and 73/2009/EC and other national infrastructure plans concerned, as appropriate. The projects **of common interests** shall be **accompanied by cost-benefit analyses and shall be** conferred the highest possible priority within each of these plans.

Or. en

Justification

The TYNDP process shall be open and flexible to incorporate PCIs proposed by the Regional Groups. PCI not included in the latest TYNDP should also be accompanied by a cost-benefit analysis.

Amendment 262

Bogdan Kazimierz Marcinkiewicz, Jerzy Buzek

Proposal for a regulation

Article 3 – paragraph 7

Text proposed by the Commission

7. Following the Commission decision for adoption referred to in paragraph 1, projects of common interest shall become an integral part of the relevant regional investment plans pursuant Article 12 of Regulations (EC) No 714/2009 and (EC) No 715/2009 and of the relevant national ten-year network development plans pursuant Article 22 of Directives 72/2009/EC and 73/2009/EC and other national infrastructure plans concerned, as appropriate. ***The projects shall be conferred the highest possible priority within each of these plans.***

Amendment

7. Following the Commission decision for adoption referred to in paragraph 1, projects of common interest shall become an integral part of the relevant regional investment plans pursuant Article 12 of Regulations (EC) No 714/2009 and (EC) No 715/2009 and of the relevant national ten-year network development plans pursuant Article 22 of Directives 72/2009/EC and 73/2009/EC and other national infrastructure plans concerned, as appropriate.

Justification

Considering the different character of the plans, it is not clear what is meant by ‘the highest possible priority’ and it should therefore be deleted. No ranking within any national or European plan should be made as also referred to in amendment to Article 4.4.

Amendment 263**Evžen Tošenovský****Proposal for a regulation****Article 3 – paragraph 7***Text proposed by the Commission*

7. Following the Commission decision for adoption referred to in paragraph 1, projects of common interest shall become an integral part of the relevant regional investment plans pursuant Article 12 of Regulations (EC) No 714/2009 and (EC) No 715/2009 and of the relevant national ten-year network development plans pursuant Article 22 of Directives 72/2009/EC and 73/2009/EC and other national infrastructure plans concerned, as appropriate. ***The projects shall be conferred the highest possible priority within each of these plans.***

Amendment

7. Following the Commission decision for adoption referred to in paragraph 1, projects of common interest shall become an integral part of the relevant regional investment plans pursuant Article 12 of Regulations (EC) No 714/2009 and (EC) No 715/2009 and of the relevant national ten-year network development plans pursuant Article 22 of Directives 72/2009/EC and 73/2009/EC and other national infrastructure plans concerned, as appropriate.

Amendment 264**Lena Kolarska-Bobińska****Proposal for a regulation****Article 3 – paragraph 7***Text proposed by the Commission*

7. Following the Commission decision ***for adoption referred to in paragraph 1,*** projects of common interest shall become

Amendment

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Or. en