GTE Transparency Platform

An ERGEG response

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Requirements for a
functioning transparency platform – 1

∅ **The usefulness of a voluntary transparency platform, such as the one presented by GTE, depend on a number of key issues, such as**

§ Central and easy access to all relevant TSO-related information;

§ Ease of use: Suitability for intended use;

§ Standard definition of information / data across all TSOs

§ Tailored to user needs; and

§ Updating frequency

Requirements for a functioning transparency platform – 2

Ø **The GTE transparency platform only fulfills part of the requirements**

Ø **In particular, the following requirements have been brought forward by ERGEG in meetings with GTE:**

  Ø Information on the requested Entry and Exit Points (across TSO networks)

  § On available capacity or alternative routes

  § Tariffs (aggregated over the contractual path)

  § Contract documents

  Ø Updating frequency

  Ø Transparency platform: Potential role as a single trading platform for secondary market capacities?

Outlook

Ø **ERGEG would like to raise the following points of discussion:**

§ Financing of the project: Subscription basis (members) vs. user fee?

§ Timing: How realistic is the envisaged timetable?

§ Buy-in from GTE members: How will this be ensured?

§ Should the provision of information to the platform be a requirement, rather than a voluntary decision?

§ Will the platform be tailored to users' needs?

Further information

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