

Implementation Guidance Documents (IGDs)

Notes for system operators

Implementation Guidance Documents (IGDs) are non-binding guidance notes to support system operators during the national implementation of the European Union Connection Codes (Requirement for Generators (RfG), High Voltage Direct Current (HVDC), Demand Connection Code (DCC)).

To support the implementation at national level, and in line with the legal requirements of these network codes, ENTSO-E drafted 18 IGDs that were put forward for consultation on the 17th November 2016, and cover a range of technical requirements.

Further IGDs supporting DCC & HVDC are expected to be published in March 2017.

How were they drafted?

ENTSO-E held a series of stakeholder workgroups, surveys and public consultations between September 2015 and September 2016 for the initial guidance documents to support RfG.

A further consultation is likely to be held in December 2016 to support the development of further IGDs for DCC and HVDC network codes.

Why are they being consulted?

ENTSO-E are consulting the IGDs for the following reasons;

- ◆ Although the IGDs in the main address System Operators, the European Union Connection Codes have significant impact on equipment manufacturers, Power generators, Demand facilities, and Distribution Networks.
- ◆ IGDs are drafted as supporting material for the implementation of the connection codes at Member State level, and also provide guidance for national specifications for non-exhaustive requirements.
- ◆ In line with the legal requirements of these network codes. IGDs are legally requested to be consulted with stakeholders within six months after each of the Network Codes enters into force.

Further information

For further information on the progression of the IGDs and subsequent consultation

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This matters ...

... to who

IGDs support system operators during the national implementation process, particularly those system operators who have not been actively engaged. They are provided as guidance only as set out in each of the codes and have no legal basis.

... when

The Member States have the obligation to write non-binding guidance notes (IGDs) on national implementation within 6 months after each of the network codes enters into force.

... how

A series of stakeholder workgroups, and publications were held by ENTSO-E between September 2015 and September 2016 for the development of the initial IGDs. A Further consultation is likely to be held in December 2016 to support the development of IGDs for HVDC & DCC. All information is available on ENTSO-E's website (Link below).