

## GEODE Amendment Proposals on the Proposal of the European Commission for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL on

energy efficiency and repealing Directives 2004/8/EC and 2006/32/EC as of 22 June 2011, COM(2011) 370 final

**GEODE** – the European Association of independent Electricity and Gas distribution companies – represents more than 600 companies in 10 countries, both privately & publicly owned. We serve a population of 57 million inhabitants.



| Article 4 Public bodies          |  |   |          |                 |   |  |
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| Paragraphs 1 to 3: not amended   |  |   |          |                 |   |  |
| Commission Proposal of Directive |  | GEOD  | E Amer   | ndment Proposal |   |  |
| 4.                               | Member States shall <b>encourage</b> public bodies <b>to</b> : |   | 4.       | Memb<br>bodies  | er States shall ensure that public<br>s (to be deleted):  |  |
|                                  | (a)  | adopt an energy efficiency plan,<br>freestanding or as part of a broader<br>climate or environmental plan,<br>containing specific energy saving<br>objectives, with a view to continuously<br>improving the body's energy efficiency; |          | (a)             | adopt an energy efficiency plan,<br>freestanding or as part of a broader<br>climate or environmental plan,<br>containing specific energy saving<br>objectives, with a view to continuously<br>improving the body's energy efficiency; |  |
|                                  | (b)  | put in place an energy management<br>system as part of the implementation<br>of their plan.   |          | (b)             | put in place an energy management system as part of the implementation of their plan.   |  |
|                                  |  |   |          | (c)             | The contents and frame of these<br>plans shall be defined at national<br>level and developed and adopted<br>at regional and local level, adapted<br>to the specificities of the public<br>bodies.                                     |  |
|                                  |  |   |          | (d)             | The energy efficiency plans<br>adopted by the regional and local<br>public bodies should be legally<br>binding.   |  |
| Justifi                          | cation:  | GEODE sees a need to strengthen the w   | ork on e | energy e        | fficiency at local and regional level. The  |  |
| exact of                         | orientatio   | on and measures at these levels should  | be dec   | cided in        | a bottom-up process. The cooling and  |  |

exact orientation and measures at these levels should be decided in a bottom-up process. The cooling and heating plans in Article 10 should, where appropriate, be an integral part of the energy efficiency plans adopted by regional and local public bodies.

| Article 6 Energy efficiency obligation schemes |  |    | Article 6 Energy efficiency obligation schemes and other measures  |  |  |  |
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| Commission Proposal of Directive               |  |    | GEODE Amendment Proposal   |  |  |  |
| 1.   | Each Member State shall set up an energy<br>efficiency obligation scheme. <b>This scheme</b><br>shall ensure that either all energy distributors<br>or all retail energy sales companies operating<br>on the Member State's territory <b>achieve</b> | 1. | Each Member State shall set up an energy<br>efficiency obligation scheme or take other<br>measures to achieve energy savings<br>among final customers. Either the<br>obligation scheme or the other measures |  |  |  |



annual energy savings equal to 1.5% of their energy sales, by volume, in the previous year in that Member State excluding energy used in transport. This amount of energy savings shall be achieved by the obligated parties among final customers. shall ensure that either all energy distributors or all retail energy sales companies or other relevant party operating on the Member State's territory take measures which represent energy savings equivalent [adjusted to average years and other relevant factors like economic growth] to 4.5% of their energy distributed or energy sales, by volume, in the previous three years in that Member State. (to be deleted)

Member States may include measures in the transport sector in their national schemes.

<u>Justification</u>: An energy efficiency obligation scheme, such as the white certificate schemes implemented in some Member States, is one option among many to incentivise end user efficiency. It is very much a question of the regulatory framework around the energy markets that determines what is the best way to ensure energy savings. Taxation schemes, support schemes and market design are often radically different between Member States. Thus it is wrong to promote energy efficiency obligation schemes over other schemes for increasing end user efficiency.

Moreover, the schemes are not the only measure that Member States will adopt to achieve their targets and higher ambitions are possible but optional. Already mentioning in paragraph 1 the alternative possibility for Member States to the schemes described in paragraph 9 will put it on equal footing with the obligation scheme from the start.

In order to facilitate the implementation of the schemes or measures and to clarify the role and task of obligated parties, a more flexible and less bureaucratic approach is needed. Since the use of energy varies substantially between years, the baseline for calculation should be a longer period, at least the previous three years instead of one year. The measures should be equivalent to 4.5% over three years to give ample time for taken measures to have an effect on the use of energy.

Since the EU target for energy efficiency includes the transport sector, it should be possible for Member States to include the transport sector for energy efficiency measures. Measures taken in the transport sector have a direct effect on the reduction of carbon emission and there should be an option for Member States to include them as part of their energy efficiency measures. Many energy companies are already involved in promoting electric vehicles and produce biogas and biofuels.

Paragraphs 2 to 8: not amended

| Comm       | ission Proposal of Directive   | GEODE Amendment Proposal  |  |  |
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| Comm<br>9. | ission Proposal of Directive<br>As an alternative to paragraph 1, Member<br>States may opt to take other measures to<br>achieve energy savings among final<br>customers. The annual amount of energy<br>savings achieved through this approach shall | <ul><li>GEODE Amendment Proposal</li><li>9. (to be deleted)</li></ul> |  |  |
|            | be equivalent to the amount of energy savings<br>required in paragraph 1.  |   |  |  |



Member States opting for this option shall notify to the Commission, by 1 January 2013 at the latest, the alternative measures that they plan to adopt, including the rules on penalties referred to in Article 9, and demonstrating how they would achieve the required amount of savings. The Commission may refuse such measures or make suggestions for modifications in the 3 months following notification. In such cases, the alternative approach shall not be applied by the Member State concerned until the Commission expressly accepts the resubmitted or modified draft measures.

Member States opting for the alternate solution mentioned in paragraph 1 shall notify to the Commission, by 1 January 2013 at the latest, the alternative measures that they plan to adopt, including the rules on penalties referred to in Article 9, and demonstrating how they would achieve the required amount of savings. The Commission may refuse such measures or make suggestions for modifications in the 3 months following notification. In such cases, the alternative approach shall not be applied by the Member State concerned until the Commission expressly accepts the resubmitted or modified draft measures.

Justification: Consequential amendment to Article 6 (1)

Paragraph 10: not amended

| Article 7 Energy audits and energy management systems   |   |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| Commission Proposal of Directive  | <ul> <li>Member States shall promote the availability to all final customers of energy audits which are affordable and carried out in an independent manner by qualified or accredited experts.</li> <li>Member States shall develop programmes to encourage households and small and medium-sized enterprises to undergo energy audits.</li> <li>Member States shall bring to the attention of amally and medium sized enterprises.</li> </ul> |  |  |  |  |
| <ol> <li>Member States shall promote the availability to<br/>all final customers of energy audits which are<br/>affordable and carried out in an independent<br/>manner by qualified or accredited experts.</li> <li>Member States shall develop programmes to<br/>encourage households and small and medium-<br/>sized enterprises to undergo energy audits.</li> <li>Member States shall bring to the attention of</li> </ol> | <ol> <li>Member States shall promote the availability<br/>to all final customers of energy audits which<br/>are affordable and carried out in an<br/>independent manner by qualified or<br/>accredited experts.</li> <li>Member States shall develop programmes to<br/>encourage households and small and<br/>medium-sized enterprises to undergo energy<br/>audite</li> </ol>  |  |  |  |  |
| small and medium-sized enterprises concrete<br>examples of how energy management systems<br>could help their business.  | Member States shall bring to the attention of<br>small and medium-sized enterprises<br>concrete examples of how energy<br>management systems could help their<br>business.  |  |  |  |  |
|   | Member States shall ensure that energy distributors and retailers can participate in this market.   |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Justification</b> : With their direct contact with the end-us continue to be active in this market.  | er, it makes sense to clarify that energy companies can   |  |  |  |  |



DSOs are objective market partners which do not depend on increased sales of energy as their income is regulated by National Regulatory Authorities. They are to play a crucial role in helping consumers reduce their energy consumption. Furthermore, most DSOs (except for the UK and Germany) are responsible for the metering assets and technology necessary to verify, evaluate and monitor the success of energy efficiency measures.

Paragraphs 2 to 4: not amended

| Article 8 Metering and informative billing  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Commission Proposal of Directive  | GEODE Amendment Proposal   |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Member States shall ensure that final customers for electricity, natural gas, <b>district heating or cooling and district-supplied domestic hot water</b> are provided with individual meters that accurately measure and allow to make available their actual energy consumption and provide information on actual time of use, in accordance with Annex VI.  | 1. Member States shall ensure that final customers for electricity <b>and</b> natural gas <b>(to be deleted)</b> are provided with individual meters that accurately measure and allow to make available their actual energy consumption and provide information on actual time of use, in accordance with <i>time frame and conditions introduced by Directive 2009/72/EC and Directive 2009/73/EC and</i> Annex VI.                                    |  |  |  |  |
| <b>Justification</b> : It is neither technically feasible nor useful energy use in for instance district supplied hot water, her go further if they want to, but it should be up to the nation  | from a cost/benefit perspective to provide information on ating and cooling to final customers. Member States can hal level to decide.   |  |  |  |  |
| When Member States put in place the roll-out<br>of smart meters foreseen by Directives<br>2009/72/EC and 2009/73/EC concerning<br>electricity and gas markets, they shall ensure<br>that the objectives of energy efficiency and<br>final customer benefits are fully taken into<br>account when establishing the minimum<br>functionalities of the meters and obligations<br>imposed on market participants.                             | When Member States put in place the roll-out<br>of smart meters foreseen by Directives<br>2009/72/EC and 2009/73/EC concerning<br>electricity and gas markets, they shall ensure<br>that the objectives of energy efficiency and<br>final customer benefits are fully taken into<br>account when establishing the minimum<br>functionalities of the meters and obligations<br>imposed on market participants.  |  |  |  |  |
| In the case of electricity and on request of the<br>final customer, meter operators shall ensure<br>that the meter can account for electricity<br>produced on the final customer's premises and<br>exported to the grid. Member States shall<br>ensure that if final customers request it,<br>metering data on their real-time production or<br>consumption is made available to a third party<br>acting on behalf of the final customer. | <b>Only</b> in the case of electricity and on request<br>of the final customer, meter operators shall<br>ensure that the meter can account for<br>electricity produced on the final customer's<br>premises and exported to the grid. Member<br>States shall ensure that if final customers<br>request it, metering data on their real-time<br>production or consumption is made available<br>to a third party acting on behalf of the final<br>customer. |  |  |  |  |



| Justification: Change as a consequence of the change in the first paragraph. |   |  |  |  |  |
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|  | In case of heating and cooling, where a<br>building is supplied from a district heating<br>network, a heat meter shall be installed at<br>the building entry. In multi-apartment<br>buildings, individual heat consumption<br>meters shall also be installed to measure<br>the consumption of heat or cooling for each<br>apartment. Where the use of individual heat<br>consumption meters is not technically<br>feasible, individual heat cost allocators, in<br>accordance with the specifications in<br>Annex VI(1.2), shall be used for measuring<br>heat consumption at each radiator.  | (to be deleted)  |  |  |  |
|  | Member States shall introduce rules on<br>cost allocation of heat consumption in<br>multi-apartment buildings supplied with<br>centralised heat or cooling. Such rules<br>shall include guidelines on correction<br>factors to reflect building characteristics<br>such as heat transfers between apartments.   | (to be deleted)  |  |  |  |
| 2.   | In addition to the obligations resulting from<br>Directive 2009/72/EC and Directive<br>2009/73/EC with regard to billing, Member<br>States shall ensure, not later than <b>1 January</b><br><b>2015</b> , that billing is accurate and based on<br>actual consumption, for all the sectors covered<br>by the present Directive, including energy<br>distributors, distribution system operators and<br>retail energy sales companies, in accordance<br>with the minimum frequency set out in Annex<br>VI(2.1). Appropriate information shall be made<br>available with the bill to provide final customers<br>with a comprehensive account of current<br>energy costs, in accordance with Annex<br>VI(2.2). | 2. In addition to the obligations resulting from<br>Directive 2009/72/EC and Directive<br>2009/73/EC with regard to billing, Member<br>States shall ensure, not later than <b>1</b> January<br>2020, that billing is accurate and based on<br>actual consumption, for all the sectors covered<br>by the present Directive, including energy<br>distributors, distribution system operators and<br>retail energy sales companies, in accordance<br>with the minimum frequency set out in Annex<br>VI(2.1). Appropriate information shall be made<br>available with the bill to provide final customers<br>with a comprehensive account of current<br>energy costs, in accordance with Annex<br>VI(2.2). |  |  |  |
| Justif<br>deploy   | <b>ication</b> : The obligation to provide a more accur<br>yment of smart meters, conflicts with the 3 <sup>rd</sup> packa  | ate billing based on actual consumption, if this means ge 2020 deadline previously agreed for electricity meters   |  |  |  |

**Justification**: The obligation to provide a more accurate billing based on actual consumption, if this means deployment of smart meters, conflicts with the 3<sup>rd</sup> package 2020 deadline previously agreed for electricity meters roll-out and goes far beyond Directive 2009/72/EC and Directive 2009/73/EC for internal electricity market from 2009. The year 2020 was decided upon during the negotiations of third energy market package only after careful consideration. Just two years ago, this was accepted by Member States and market players. To change this deadline will increase the financial and administrative burden on concerned companies and actually force companies which have already changed to the first generation of smart meters to install new meters. The costs of such a requirement would outweigh the possible benefits.

Furthermore, there are a lot of legal issues to be considered such as tendering procedures or technical procedures, e.g. intensive test runs before starting the roll-out of smart meters. Also, the complete exchange of



all meters will take several years. Thus, it is not technically feasible to meet this new time target.

Member States shall ensure that final customers are offered a choice of either electronic or hard copy billing and the possibility of easy access to complementary information allowing detailed self-checks on historical consumption as laid down in Annex VI(1.1).

Member States shall require that if requested by final customers, information on their energy billing and historical consumption is made available to an energy service provider designated by the final customer.

 Information from metering and billing of individual consumption of energy as well as the other information mentioned in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and Annex VI shall be provided to final customers free of charge. Member States shall ensure that final customers are offered a choice of either electronic or hard copy billing and the possibility of easy access to complementary information allowing detailed self-checks on historical consumption as laid down in Annex VI(1.1).

Member States shall require that if requested by final customers, information on their energy billing and historical consumption is made available to an energy service provider designated by the final customer.

Information from metering and billing of individual consumption of energy as well as the other information mentioned in paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and Annex VI shall be provided to final customers *in a transparent and cost effective manner*, free of charge, *as soon as the meters are installed in accordance with the Directive 2009/72/EC*.

**Justification**: It is important to bear in mind that billing is included in the price for the end-user. A more frequent billing will be more costly for the end-user as every additional service generates costs and the DSOs should be able to recover these costs in usual way for regulated activities. Monthly billing will only make sense if it is done electronically. Monthly paper bills will increase network costs/tariffs by approximately 5%. **GEODE** believes that electronic bills shall be stated as standard, and that paper bills shall be an additional service the customer has to pay for. Monthly information on energy demand sent electronically might be an alternative to monthly bills. Monthly information on consumption is required to allow customers to make a better use of their energy consumption, not monthly billing. However, once again this information can not be provided until the full roll-out of smart meters has taken place by 2020.

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Moreover, it has to be taken into account that monthly billing will lead to higher energy bills in winter time. This might cause great problems especially for vulnerable customers.

| Article 10 Promotion of efficiency in heating and cooling   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Commission Proposal of Directive GEODE Amendment Proposal   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1. By 1 January 2014, Member States shall<br>establish and notify to the Commission a<br>national heating and cooling plan for<br>developing the potential for the application of<br>high-efficiency cogeneration and efficient<br>district heating and cooling, containing the | 1. By 1 January 2014, Member States shall<br>ensure that local authorities and<br>municipalities establish a local heating and<br>cooling plan for developing the potential for the<br>application of high-efficiency cogeneration and<br>efficient district heating and cooling, containing |  |  |  |  |  |



information set out in Annex VII. The plans shall be updated and notified to the Commission every five years. Member States shall ensure by means of their regulatory framework that **national** heating and cooling plans are taken into account in local and regional development plans, including urban and rural spatial plans, and fulfil the design criteria in Annex VII. the information set out in Annex VII Nr. 3. District heating and cooling companies should appropriately participate in the establishing of the local heating and cooling plans. The local heating and cooling plans could be part of the regional or local energy efficiency plan referred in Article 4 (4). By 1 January 2015, Member States shall summarise the local heating and cooling plans and notify them to the Commission. The plans shall be updated and notified to the Commission every five years. Member States shall ensure by means of their regulatory framework that *local* heating and cooling plans are taken into account in local and regional development plans, including urban and rural spatial plans, and fulfil the design criteria in Annex VII.

**Justification**: Heating and cooling plans should be set up locally (here arises the nearly view (each street has to be analysed) to develop the heating sector in the long term). The exact orientation and measures on these levels should be decided in a bottom-up process. The cooling and heating should, where appropriate, be an integral part of the energy efficiency plans in Article 4. The national plans could not provide for such a level of detail and should therefore be used rather as a statistical tool in order to determine the national potentials. These could be gathered, for statistical purposes, in national heating and cooling plans.

Paragraphs 2 to 7: not amended.

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| 8. | Nembe    | er States shall adopt authorisation or      | δ. | Member Sta      | tes shall adopt authorisation or      |
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|    | AVCAAC   | ling 20 MW generating waste heat that       |    | exceeding 20    | ) MW generating waste heat that       |
|    | are bu   | ilt or substantially refurbished after [the |    | are built or s  | substantially refurbished after [the  |
|    | entry i  | nto force of this Directivel capture and    |    | entry into for  | rce of this Directivel capture and    |
|    | make i   | use of their waste heat.                    |    | make use of     | their waste heat.                     |
|    |          |   |    |                 |                                       |
|    | Membe    | er States shall establish mechanisms to     |    | Member Stat     | es shall establish mechanisms to      |
|    | ensure   | e the connection of these installations to  |    | encourage       | the connection of these               |
|    | district | heating and cooling networks. They          |    | installations   | to district heating and cooling       |
|    | may r    | equire these installations to bear the      |    | networks. In    | ey may require these installations    |
|    | the di   | strict heating and cooling networks         |    | developing t    | be district beating and cooling       |
|    | necess   | sary to transport their waste heat to       |    | networks ne     | cessary to transport their waste      |
|    | consur   | ners.                                       |    | heat to consu   | imers.                                |
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|    | Membe    | er States may lay down conditions for       |    | Member Stat     | tes may lay down conditions for       |
|    | exemp    | tion from the provisions in the first sub-  |    | exemption from  | om the provisions in the first sub-   |
|    | paragr   | aph when:                                   |    | paragraph wh    | nen:                                  |
|    | a)       | the threshold conditions related to the     |    | a) the th       | nreshold conditions related to the    |
|    | ,        | availability of heat load set out in point  |    | ,<br>availa     | ability of heat load set out in point |
|    |          |   |    |                 |                                       |



## 2 of Annex VIII are not met; or

 a cost-benefit analysis shows that the costs outweigh the benefits in comparison with the full life-cycle costs, including infrastructure investment, of providing the same amount of heat with separate heating or cooling.

Member States shall notify such conditions for exemption to the Commission by 1 January 2014. The Commission may refuse those conditions or make suggestions for modifications in the 6 months following notification. In such cases, the conditions for exemption shall not be applied by the Member State concerned until the Commission expressly accepts the resubmitted or modified conditions. 2 of Annex VIII are not met; or

 a cost-benefit analysis shows that the costs outweigh the benefits in comparison with the full life-cycle costs, including infrastructure investment, of providing the same amount of heat with separate heating or cooling.

Member States shall notify such conditions for exemption to the Commission by 1 January 2014. The Commission may refuse those conditions or make suggestions for modifications in the 6 months following notification. In such cases, the conditions for exemption shall not be applied by the Member State concerned until the Commission expressly accepts the resubmitted or modified conditions.

<u>Justification</u>: The wording "ensure" is too strong. District heating companies first have to verify the technical feasibility of the industrial installations' connection.

Paragraphs 9 to 11: not amended

| Article 12 Energy transmission and distribution   |   |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| Article 12 Energy transmission and distribution   |   |  |  |  |
| Commission Proposal of Directive  | GEODE Amendment Proposal  |  |  |  |
| 1. Member States shall ensure that national<br>energy regulatory authorities pay due regard to<br>energy efficiency in their decisions on the<br>operation of the gas and electricity<br>infrastructure. They shall in particular ensure<br>that network tariffs and regulations provide<br>incentives for grid operators to offer system<br>services to network users permitting them to<br>implement energy efficiency improvement<br>measures in the context of the continuing<br>deployment of smart grids. | 1. Member States shall ensure that national<br>energy regulatory authorities pay due regard to<br>energy efficiency in their decisions on the<br>operation of the gas and electricity<br>infrastructure. They shall in particular ensure<br>that network tariffs and regulations provide<br>incentives for grid operators to make<br>investments into the smart grids and<br>integration of renewable energies and CHP<br>as well as to offer system services to network<br>users or to their customers themselves<br>permitting them to implement energy efficiency<br>improvement measures, in particular those<br>resulting as a consequence of the energy<br>savings scheme obligation of art 6.1 and in<br>the context of the continuing deployment of<br>smart grids. |  |  |  |



<u>Justification</u>: It remains unclear what "incentives" stands for in the EC proposal. It is necessary to establish a system of bonuses that rewards system operators for offering system services to network users. The bonus should not be absorbed afterwards by the cost regulation. To focus solely on the energy efficiency is too short-sighted. The challenges set by the new developments make it necessary to rethink the role of distribution networks and to invest in them. Smart Grids deployment implies huge investments to be undertaken by network operators, so smart regulation should be put in place to make these investments happen. The regulation does not refer to the supply of smart grid services by grid operators themselves (e.g. system responsibility and feed-in management (e.g. virtual power plants)).

Member States shall ensure that network regulation, and network tariffs set or approved by energy regulatory authorities, fulfil the criteria in Annex XI, taking into account guidelines and codes developed pursuant to Regulation 714/2009 and Regulation 715/2009.

take the aforementioned potentials into consideration.

Member States shall ensure that network regulation, and network tariffs set or approved by energy regulatory authorities, fulfil the criteria in Annex XI, taking into account *legally binding* guidelines and *network* codes developed pursuant to Regulation 714/2009 and Regulation 715/2009.

<u>Justification</u>: DSOs are not directly involved in elaborating network codes which are under the responsibility of ENTSOE/ENTSOG. Nevertheless, DSOs are affected to a great extent by some provisions contained in several network codes. Therefore, it is highly essential that only legally binding guidelines and network codes are taken into account. Otherwise Member States would be obliged to implement at national level non binding requirements provided by ENTSOE / ENTSOG affecting other system users than TSOs (e.g. DSOs, generators etc).

| 2.      | Member States shall, by 30 June 2013 <b>, adopt</b> plans: |   | 2. Member States shall, by 30 June 2013: |   |  |  |
|---------|--|---|--|---|--|--|
|         | a)   | assessing the energy efficiency<br>potentials of their gas, electricity and<br>district heating and cooling<br>infrastructure, notably regarding<br>transmission, distribution, load<br>management and interoperability, and<br>connection to energy generating<br>installations; | a)                                       | take sufficiently into account the<br>potential for energy efficiency and<br>system optimisation of their gas,<br>electricity and district heating and<br>cooling infrastructure, notably<br>regarding transmission, distribution,<br>load management and interoperability.<br>Network operators are to be<br>consulted to an appropriate extent.<br>The results of the assessment<br>should, where appropriate, be an<br>integral part of the regional and<br>local energy efficiency plans<br>described in Article 4. |  |  |
| Justifi | cation:  | It remains unclear what energy efficiency   | potentials stand                         | d for. It should be made very clear that  |  |  |
| thereby | / is also  | meant a system optimisation in order  | to minimise net                          | twork expansion and to promote - for  |  |  |
| examp   | le – the   | feed-in of renewable energy. It is importa  | nt that regional a                       | and local energy efficiency plans refer to  |  |  |
| the ene | ergy effic   | ciency potentials of local grids. The wordir  | g "assessing" gi                         | ves Member States the possibility not to  |  |  |

| b) <b>identifying</b> concrete me | asures and    | b) | identify  | concrete       | measures       | and    |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|----|-----------|----------------|----------------|--------|
| investments for the introdu       | tion of cost- |    | investmer | nts for the ir | ntroduction of | f cost |



|  | effective energy efficiency<br>improvements in the network<br>infrastructure, with a detailed timetable<br>for their introduction.  |                     | effe<br>imp<br>infr<br>for   | ective energy efficiency<br>provements in the network<br>astructure, with a detailed timetable<br>their introduction;   |
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|  |   |                     | c) ens<br>inv<br>col<br>nat<br>tar   | sure that cost effective<br>vestments in energy efficient grid<br>mponents are fully integrated by<br>tional regulators in the network<br>iffs.   |
| Justification<br>correspondin  | <u>n</u> : Besides measures and investments for<br>ng costs also have to be calculated and record   | improving<br>vered. | energy ef  | fficiency in electricity networks, the  |
| Paragraphs   | 3 to 4: not amended   |                     |  |   |
| 5. Mem<br>requ<br>relial<br>trans<br>defin<br>trans<br>syste               | ber States shall ensure that, subject to<br>irements relating to the maintenance of the<br>bility and safety of the grid, based on<br>sparent and non-discriminatory criteria<br>hed by the competent national authorities,<br>smission system operators and distribution<br>em operators in their territory:   | 5.                  | Member<br>applicable<br>relating to<br>and safety<br>and non-di<br>competent<br>system op<br>operators in                        | States shall ensure, <b>where</b><br>e, that, subject to requirements<br>the maintenance of the reliability<br>of the grid, based on transparent<br>scriminatory criteria defined by the<br>national authorities, transmission<br>berators and distribution system<br>in their territory:                   |
| a)   | guarantee the transmission and<br>distribution of electricity from high-<br>efficiency cogeneration;  |                     | a) gua<br>dis <sup>t</sup><br>effi   | arantee the transmission and tribution of electricity from high-<br>ciency cogeneration;  |
| b)   | provide priority or guaranteed access<br>to the grid of electricity from high<br>efficiency cogeneration;   |                     | b) pro<br>to<br>effi   | vide priority or guaranteed access<br>the grid of electricity from high<br>ciency cogeneration;   |
| c)   | when dispatching electricity generating<br>installations, provide priority dispatch of<br>electricity from high efficiency<br>cogeneration.   |                     | c) who<br>inst<br>of<br>cog<br>Sta<br>dis<br>pro<br>dir  | en dispatching electricity generating<br>tallations, provide priority dispatch<br>electricity from high efficiency<br>generation. Alternatively Member<br>ates may provide first priority in<br>spatch as referred to in the<br>povisions in Article 16(2) of<br>ective 2009/28/EC.                         |
| In ac<br>first<br>oper<br>shall<br>Anne<br>facili<br>elect<br>coge<br>coge | ddition to the obligations laid down by the<br>subparagraph, transmission system<br>rators and distribution system operators<br>I comply with the requirements set out in<br>ex XII. Member States may particularly<br>tate the connection to the grid system of<br>tricity produced from high-efficiency<br>eneration from small scale and micro<br>eneration units. |                     | in addition<br>first subp<br>operators<br>shall comp<br>Annex XII.<br>facilitate th<br>electricity<br>cogeneratic<br>cogeneratic | to the obligations laid down by the<br>baragraph, transmission system<br>and distribution system operators<br>by with the requirements set out in<br>. Member States may particularly<br>be connection to the grid system of<br>produced from high-efficiency<br>on from small scale and micro<br>on units. |



**Justification**: Enlarging of the scope of implementation of the above provision is needed. When the consumers' need for heating has become marginal, then the strategy to build extensive heating networks might not be relevant anymore and, if possible, smaller and more material-related solutions should instead be employed (e.g. solar heat at least in Southern Europe). One has to envisage an adequate strategy for Northern Europe (development of heating networks) as well as for Southern Europe. A differentiated view is necessary.

Priority dispatch of CHP is welcomed but Member States shall have the possibility to provide a first priority for renewable energy.

| 6. Member States shall take the appropriate<br>to ensure that high-efficiency cogene<br>operators can offer balancing service<br>other operational services at the le<br>transmission system operators or distr<br>system operators where this is consisten<br>the mode of operation of the high-effic<br>cogeneration installation. Transmission se<br>operators and distribution system oper<br>shall ensure that such services are pa | e steps 6.<br>eration<br>s and<br>vel of<br>bution<br>nt with<br>ciency<br>system<br>erators<br>t of a | Member States shall take the appropriate<br>steps to ensure that high-efficiency<br>cogeneration operators can offer balancing<br>services and other operational services at the<br>level of transmission system operators or<br>distribution system operators where this is<br>consistent with the mode of operation of the<br>high-efficiency cogeneration installation.<br>Transmission system operators and<br>distribution system operators shall ensure that |  |  |
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| and open to scrutiny.  | parent   | process which is transparent and open to scrutiny.   |  |  |
| Where appropriate, Member States<br>require transmission system operator<br>distribution operators to encourage<br>efficiency cogeneration to be sited clo<br>areas of demand by reducing the conr<br>and use-of-system charges.   | may<br>s and<br>high-<br>ose to<br>lection   | Where appropriate, Member States may<br>require transmission system operators and<br>distribution operators to encourage high-<br>efficiency cogeneration to be sited close to<br>areas of demand by reducing the connection<br>and use-of-system charges. These allocation<br>incentives should reasonably be related to<br>the residual network tariffs and be offered<br>in a non-discriminatory manner.  |  |  |
| Justification: Connection charges should reflect the costs. As the DSOs' activity is regulated and operates in a   |  |  |  |  |

<u>Justification</u>: Connection charges should reflect the costs. As the DSOs' activity is regulated and operates in a non-discriminatory manner, there should be no reduction of network charges. The reduction of network access and usage tariffs should not lead to an unreasonable increase in the network tariffs of the spare network users. **GEODE** considers that the optimisation of feed-in capacities cannot solely derive from the network tariffs.

| 7. N<br>e<br>v<br>c | Member Sta<br>electricity fro<br>vishing to be<br>call for tende | ates may allow<br>om high-efficienc<br>e connected to the<br>r for the connection | producers<br>y cogenerat<br>grid to issue<br>n work. | of<br>ion<br>e a | 7. | Member<br>electricity<br>wishing to<br>call for<br>between<br>point. All<br>set by th<br>connection<br>considera | States<br>from<br>be con<br>tender<br>its pla<br>I techn<br>e grid<br>on lin<br>on faci<br>ation in | may<br>high-eff<br>nnected<br>for th<br>nt and<br>ical and<br>operato<br>ne an<br>lities ha<br>o the ter | allow<br>iciency<br>to the<br>ne con<br>the gr<br>d secu<br>r with<br>d the<br>ave to<br>nder do | produce<br>cogene<br>grid to is<br>nection<br>id conn<br>rity stan<br>respect<br>e nece<br>be take<br>ocument | eration<br>sue a<br>worl<br>ection<br>dard<br>to the<br>essar<br>n inte<br>s | ofnak <i>nseyo</i> |
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Justification: The DSO is responsible for the distribution grid. Thus, the DSO is the suitable actor to decide



about the work in the grid and no other party should take on this role. It has to be clarified that this Article 12(7) refers to works in the customer's installation and not to any works on the grid.

ANNEX I General principles for the calculation of electricity from cogeneration

See comments to ANNEX II





mechanical energy, the annual electricity from cogeneration unit generates cogeneration may be increased by energy, the annual electricity from an additional element representing the amount of cogeneration may be increased by an electricity which is equivalent to that of additional element representing the amount mechanical energy. This additional element of electricity which is equivalent to that of will not create a right to issue guarantees of mechanical energy. This additional element origin in accordance with Article 10(10). will not create a right to issue guarantees of origin in accordance with Article 10(10). Ref En is the efficiency reference value for Ref Eq is the annual average efficiency separate electricity production. reference value for separate electricity

production.

Justification: To take the annual average into account makes the calculation clearer.

Paragraphs (c) to (f): not amended

ANNEX VI Minimum requirements for metering of individual energy consumption and the frequency of billing based on actual consumption

## 1. Minimum requirements for metering of individual energy consumption

| Comn | nission Proposal of Directive  | GEODE Amendment Proposal  |   |
|------|--|---|---|
| 1.1  | Individual meters  | 1.1 Individual meters   |   |
|      | When an individual meter is installed, Member<br>States shall ensure that it is connected <b>to an</b><br><b>interface</b> which provides secure communication<br>to the final customer, enabling the meter to<br>export private metrological data to the final<br>customer or a third party designated by the final<br>customer.  | When an individual meter <b>for electricit</b><br>installed, Member States shall ensure th<br>is connected with <b>an open standardi</b><br><b>way</b> which provides secure communicatio<br>the final customer, enabling the mete<br>export private metrological data to the<br>customer or a third party designated by<br>final customer.                                       | y is<br>at it<br>ised<br>on to<br>r to<br>final<br>the        |
|      | The <b>interface</b> shall provide private information<br>enabling final customers to better control their<br>energy consumption and use the information for<br>further potential analysis. Such information shall<br>at least indicate the current rate of consumption<br>(e.g. kWh, kJ, m <sup>3</sup> ) and related costs and be<br>communicated in a format that promotes<br>consumer action in energy efficiency. | The <b>standardised connection</b> shall proprivate information enabling final custom to better control their energy consumpliand use the information for further poter analysis. Such information shall at leindicate the current rate of consumption (kWh, kJ, m <sup>3</sup> ) and related costs and communicated in a format that promotionsumer action in energy efficiency. | vide<br>ners<br>otion<br>ntial<br>east<br>(e.g.<br>be<br>otes |
|      | The National Regulatory Authority shall ensure<br>that the <b>interface</b> also provides <b>public</b> data that<br>allows the final customer to consult and use the<br>applicable time-of-use tariffs with real-time   | The National Regulatory Authority s<br>ensure that the <i>standardised connec</i><br>also provides <b>(to be deleted)</b> data<br>allows the final customer to consult and  | shall<br>tion<br>that<br>use                                  |



| pricing, peak time pricing and peak time rebates.  | the applicable time-of-use tariffs with realtime pricing, peak time pricing and peak time rebates.  |
|--|---|
| The private data exported through the <b>interface</b> shall offer the final customer a possibility to consult his/her historic consumption levels (in local currency and in kWh, kJ or m <sup>3</sup> ):  | The private data exported through the <i>standardised connection</i> shall offer the final customer a possibility to consult <i>electronically</i> his/her historic consumption levels (in local currency and in kWh, kJ or m <sup>3</sup> ) <i>starting from the data of smart meter installation:</i>   |
| <ul> <li>a) in the last seven days, day by day;</li> <li>b) in the last complete week;</li> <li>c) in the last complete month;</li> <li>d) in the same complete month the previous year;</li> <li>e) in the last complete year.</li> <li>The historic periods shall match the billing periods for consistency with household bills.</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>a) in the last seven days, day by day;</li> <li>b) in the last complete week;</li> <li>c) in the last complete month;</li> <li>d) in the same complete month the previous year;</li> <li>e) in the last complete year.</li> <li>The historic periods shall match the billing periods for consistency with household bills.</li> </ul>  |
| Complementary information on historical consumption (any day, week, month, year from the start-up of intelligent metering) and other useful information allowing for more detailed selfchecks by the consumer (e.g. graphic evolutions of individual consumption; benchmarking information, cumulative consumption/savings/spendings from the beginning of each contract, proportion of the individual consumption from renewable sources of energy and related $CO_2$ savings, etc.) shall be made easily accessible either directly through the interface or via the internet. | Complementary information on historical consumption (any day, week, month, year from the start-up of intelligent metering) and other useful information allowing for more detailed selfchecks by the consumer (e.g. graphic evolutions of individual consumption; benchmarking information, cumulative consumption/savings/spendings from the beginning of each contract, proportion of the individual consumption from renewable sources of energy and related CO <sub>2</sub> savings, etc.) shall be made easily accessible either directly through the interface or via the internet. |
| <b>Justification:</b> Since fast-moving technical development open for new and innovative ways to make use of the new to ensure that the requirements in the annex do not pre players with different business models.  | for smart meters is on-going, it is important to leave<br>technology. The suggested changes above are a way<br>clude new opportunities from a wide range of market  |
| 1.2. Heat cost allocators  | 1.2. to be deleted  |
| Heat cost allocators shall be equipped with<br>clearly legible displays allowing the final<br>customer to consult the current rate of<br>consumption as well as historic<br>consumption levels. The historic periods   |   |

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displayed by the heat cost allocator shall

match the billing periods.



| Justification: Consequence of the changes in Article 8.   |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| 2.  | Minimum requirements for billing   | 2. Minimum requirements for billing of electricity   |  |  |
| <u>Justif</u> i   | ication: Consequence of the changes in Article 8.  | <b>/</b>   |  |  |
| 2.1   | Frequency of billing based on actual consump   | tion   |  |  |
|   | In order to enable final customers to regulate<br>their own energy consumption, billing on the<br>basis of actual consumption shall be performed<br>with the following frequency:  | In order to enable final customers to regulate<br>their own energy consumption, <b>information</b><br><b>on actual consumption</b> shall be performed<br>with the following frequency: |  |  |
|   | <ul> <li>a) On a monthly basis for electricity consumption.</li> <li>b) At least every two months for the consumption of natural gas. Where gas is used for individual heating, billing shall be provided on a monthly basis.</li> </ul>   | a) On a monthly basis for electricity consumption. <b>(to be deleted)</b>  |  |  |
|   | c) With centralised heating and cooling,<br>billing shall be provided on a monthly<br>basis during the heating/cooling<br>season.  |  |  |  |
|   | d) At least every two months for hot water billing.  |  |  |  |
|   | Billing based on the measurement of heat<br>consumption using heat cost allocators shall<br>be accompanied with explanations of the<br>numbers available through displays of heat<br>cost allocators, taking into account the<br>standard characteristics of heat cost<br>allocators (EN 834). |  |  |  |
| <b>Justification</b> : Consequence of the changes in Article 8. Monthly information is enough for customers to regulate their consumption, monthly billing will increase costs and in most cases is not the customers preferred option. |  |  |  |  |

Paragraphs 2.2 to 2.3: not amended

| ANN  | ANNEX VII Planning for efficiency in heating and cooling |   |  |  |  |
|------|--|---|--|--|--|
| Para | Paragraphs 1 to 2: not amended                           |   |  |  |  |
| Com  | mission Proposal of Directive                            | GEODE Amendment Proposal  |  |  |  |
| 3.   | Urban spatial plans shall be designed to ensure that:    | <ol> <li>Urban spatial plans shall be designed to<br/>ensure that:</li> </ol> |  |  |  |



production processes are located in

sites where a maximum amount of

their heat demand will be met by the

available waste heat, as identified in

national heating and cooling plans. To

ensure an optimal matching between

demand and supply for heat and

cooling, spatial plans shall favour the

clustering of a number of industrial

industrial

heat.

electricity

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incineration plants and other waste-to-

energy plants are connected to the

local district heating or cooling

residential zones and industrial plants

processes are connected to the local

district heating or cooling network.

which consume heat in their production

plants in the same location;

(c)

(d)

thermal

installations,

producina

network:

- (a) new thermal electricity generation (a) new thermal electricity generation installations and industrial plants installations and industrial plants producing waste heat are located in producing waste heat are located in sites where a maximum amount of the sites where a maximum amount of the available waste heat will be recovered available waste heat will be recovered to meet existing or forecasted heat and to meet existing or forecasted heat and cooling demand; cooling demand; (b) new residential zones or new industrial (b) new residential zones or new industrial plants which consume heat in their
  - (b) new residential zones or new industrial plants which consume heat in their production processes are located in sites where a maximum amount of their heat demand will be met by the available waste heat, as identified in national heating and cooling plans. To ensure an optimal matching between demand and supply for heat and cooling, spatial plans shall favour the clustering of a number of industrial plants in the same location;
  - (c) thermal electricity generating installations, industrial plants producing waste heat, waste incineration plants and other waste-toenergy plants are connected to the local district heating or cooling network;
  - (d) residential zones and industrial plants which consume heat in their production processes are connected to the local district heating or cooling network;
  - (e) the existence of gas supply networks is taken reasonably into account.

<u>Justification</u>: This addition is to prevent the development of inefficient heating and cooling supply at the expense of already existent efficient gas supply. In such cases, the effect of these measures would be contraproductive.

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waste



| ANNEX XI Energy efficiency criteria for energy network regulation and for network tariffs set or approved by energy regulatory authorities   |  |  |   |  |   |
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|  | 57 - 5   | ,  |   |  |   |
| Comm   | ission F   | Proposal of Directive  | GEOD  | E Amei   | ndment Proposal   |
| 1.   | Networ<br>electric<br>achieve<br>respon<br>includir<br>deliver<br>optima | k tariffs shall <b>accurately reflect</b><br>ity and cost savings in networks<br>ed from demand side and demand<br>se measures and distributed generation,<br>ng savings from lowering the cost of<br>y or of network investment and a more<br>l operation of the network. | 1.  | Netwo<br>electric<br>achiev<br>respor<br>includi<br>deliver<br>optima                | rk tariffs shall <b>take into consideration</b><br>city and cost savings in networks<br>red from demand side and demand<br>nse measures and distributed generation,<br>ing savings from lowering the cost of<br>ry or of network investment and a more<br>al operation of the network.  |
| <u>Justification</u> : In general GEODE welcomes the proposal that network tariffs should take into account elect cost savings achieved from demand side and demand response measures as well as distributed general However the draft directive requires the network tariffs to accurately reflect the electricity and cost savings. exact calculation of the cost savings is not possible. |  |  | tariffs should take into account electricity<br>sures as well as distributed generation.<br>ilect the electricity and cost savings. The |  |   |
| 2.   | Networ<br>networ<br>system<br>deman<br>genera<br>particu                 | k regulation and tariffs shall allow<br>k operators to offer system services and<br>tariffs for demand response measures,<br>d management and distributed<br>tion on organised electricity markets, in<br>lar:   | 2.  | Netwo<br>netwo<br>system<br>propo<br>levels<br>service<br>resport<br>and<br>electric | rk regulation and tariffs shall allow<br>rk operators, taking into account their<br>m responsibility and considering<br>prtionate and reasonable network tariff<br>of all end consumers, to offer system<br>es and system tariffs for demand<br>nese measures, demand management<br>distributed generation on organised<br>city markets, in particular: |
|  | a)   | the shifting of the load from peak to off-<br>peak times by final customers taking<br>into account the availability of<br>renewable energy, energy from<br>cogeneration and distributed<br>generation;   |   | a)   | the shifting of the load from peak to off-<br>peak times by final customers taking<br>into account the availability of<br>renewable energy, energy from<br>cogeneration and distributed<br>generation;  |
|  | b)   | energy savings from demand response<br>of distributed consumers by energy<br>aggregators ;   |   | b)   | energy savings from demand response<br>of distributed consumers by energy<br>aggregators;   |
|  | c)   | demand reduction from energy<br>efficiency measures undertaken by<br>energy service providers, including<br>energy service companies;  |   | c)   | demand reduction from energy<br>efficiency measures undertaken by<br>energy service providers, including<br>energy service companies;   |
|  | d)   | the connection and the dispatch of generation sources at lower voltage level   |   | d)   | the connection and the dispatch of generation sources at lower voltage level  |
|  | e)   | the connection of generation sources<br>from closer location to the<br>consumption; and  |   | e)   | the connection of generation sources<br>from closer location to the<br>consumption; and   |
|  | f)   | the storage of energy.   |   | f)   | the storage of energy.  |
|  | For the  | e purposes of this provision the term  |   | For th   | ne purposes of this provision the term  |



| "organised electricity markets" shall include<br>over-the-counter markets and electricity<br>exchanges for trading energy, capacity,<br>balancing and ancillary services in all<br>timeframes, including forward, dayahead and<br>intra-day markets.  | "organised electricity markets" shall include<br>over-the-counter markets and electricity<br>exchanges for trading energy, capacity,<br>balancing and ancillary services in all<br>timeframes, including forward, dayahead and<br>intra-day markets. |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|
| Justification: This addition is to make sure that the offer of the system services and system tariffs mentioned in the first sentence of paragraph 2 is not set up at the expense of the network stability, and allows a proportionate and reasonable level of network tariffs to be maintained for all end consumers. Granting a large number of end consumers particular tariffs could lead to an unreasonable increase in network tariffs for all end consumers. |  |  |  |
| It should be understood that network operators are onl  | y able to offer relevant services when holding network   |  |  |

It should be understood that network operators are only able to offer relevant services when holding network control. This shall not be made more difficult by integrating third parties regarding certain network services – as has already happened in some Member States through the deregulation of metering.

| 3. | <b>Netwo</b><br>dynam<br>measu | <b>rk</b> tariffs shall be available that support<br>ic pricing for demand response<br>ires by final customers, including: | 3. | <b>Electricity customers</b> tariffs shall be available<br>that support dynamic pricing for demand<br>response measures by final customers<br>including: | ə<br>d<br>Ş, |
|----|--------------------------------|--|----|--|--------------|
|    | a)<br>b)<br>c)<br>d)           | time-of-use tariffs;<br>critical peak pricing;<br>real time pricing; and<br>peak time rebates.                             |    | <ul> <li>a) time-of-use tariffs;</li> <li>b) critical peak pricing;</li> <li>c) real time pricing; and</li> <li>d) peak time rebates.</li> </ul>         |              |

<u>Justification</u>: **GEODE** thinks that it is important that DSOs can undertake Demand-Side management measures, as DSOs are responsible for the reliability and stability of the grid. These measures shall also include interruptible tariffs or time-of-use tariffs, and DSOs shall also be able to interrupt the electricity consumption or feed-in to the grid of customers if necessary.

Real-time prices or other dynamic pricing models (depending on real time grid situations) for electricity grids seem to be very academic and neither very practical nor easy to understand for customers. It is difficult for some customers to understand why they must pay a very high grid fee because of grid congestion at times when the price for energy is very low, e.g. because of high wind production.

However, network prices that reflect costs such as capacity oriented prices or fixed price models seem to work better. Therefore, GEODE recommends a more capacity-orientated tariff system that will help to flatten the load curve once Smart Meters are in place.



## ANNEX XII Energy efficiency requirements for transmission system operators and distribution system operators

Transmission and distribution system operators shall:

| Commission I               | Proposal of Directive  | GEODE Amendment Proposal  |
|----------------------------|--|---|
| a)                         | set up and make public their standard<br>rules relating to the bearing and sharing<br>of costs of technical adaptations, such<br>as grid connections and grid<br>reinforcements, improved operation of<br>the grid and rules on the non-<br>discriminatory implementation of the grid<br>codes, which are necessary in order to<br>integrate new producers feeding<br>electricity produced from high efficiency<br>cogeneration into the interconnected<br>grid;   | <ul> <li>a) set up and make public their standard<br/>rules relating to the bearing and sharing<br/>of costs of technical adaptations, such<br/>as grid connections and grid<br/>reinforcements, improved operation of<br/>the grid and rules on the non-<br/>discriminatory implementation of the grid<br/>codes, which are necessary in order to<br/>integrate new producers feeding<br/>electricity produced from high efficiency<br/>cogeneration into the interconnected<br/>grid;</li> </ul>                                      |
| b)                         | <ul> <li>provide any new producer of electricity produced from high-efficiency cogeneration wishing to be connected to the system with the comprehensive and necessary information required, including:</li> <li>(i) a comprehensive and detailed estimate of the costs associated with the connection;</li> <li>(ii) a reasonable and precise timetable for receiving and processing the request for grid connection;</li> <li>(iii) a reasonable indicative timetable for any proposed grid connection. The overall process to become connected to the grid should be no longer than 12 months.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>b) provide any new producer of electricity produced from high-efficiency cogeneration wishing to be connected to the system with the comprehensive and necessary information required, including:</li> <li>(i) a comprehensive and detailed estimate of the costs associated with the connection;</li> <li>(ii) a reasonable and precise timetable for receiving and processing the request for grid connection;</li> <li>(iii) a reasonable indicative timetable for any proposed grid connection. (to be deleted)</li> </ul> |
| (c)                        | provide standardised and simplified<br>procedures for the connection of<br>distributed high efficiency cogeneration<br>producers to facilitate their connection to<br>the grid.  | (c) provide standardised and simplified<br>procedures for the connection of<br>distributed high efficiency cogeneration<br>producers to facilitate their connection to<br>the grid.   |
| The si<br>based<br>discrim | andard rules referred to in a) shall be<br>on objective, transparent and non-<br>ninatory criteria taking particular account   | The standard rules referred to in a) shall be<br>based on objective, transparent and non-<br>discriminatory criteria taking particular account  |



of all the costs and benefits associated with the connection of those producers to the grid. They may provide for different types of connection. of all the costs and benefits associated with the connection of those producers to the grid. They may provide for different types of connection.

**Justification**: A fixed term of 12 months for the process is not appropriate in the light of the likely delays in obtaining permissions from public authorities, e.g. for new lines or underground cables.

Brussels, 13<sup>th</sup> of October 2011