ACER draft amendments to the Network Code on Requirements for Generators

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Introduction

This consultation aims to present ACER's draft amendments to the Commission Regulation (EU) 2016/631 of 14 April 2016 establishing a **Network Code on Requirements for Grid Connection of Generators** ('NC RfG').

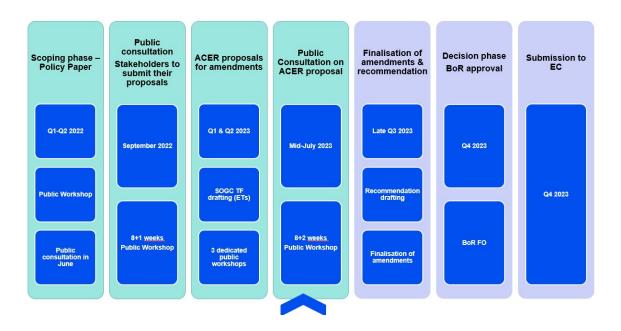
For draft amendments concerning Network Code on Demand Connection ('NC DC'), please go to the respective form: <u>NC DC</u>.

Responses to this consultation should be submitted by 25 September 2023.

Background

Important developments in the policies of decarbonisation of the European Union (EU) energy and transport sectors have taken place since the inception of the development of the first European Grid Connection Network Codes (GC NCs) in 2012.

In the framework of the Grid Connection European Stakeholder Committee (GC ESC), the European Commission proposed for ACER to initiate the process towards the amendment of the existing GC NCs in September 2022. The amendment process, as presented to the GC ESC is outlined in the Figure below:



Following the scoping phase, ACER published the Policy Paper on the revision of the network code on requirements for grid connection of generators and the network code on demand connection in September 2022. The Policy Paper aimed to transparently indicate to stakeholders the key policy areas in which amendments were to be expected.

Access the ACER Policy Paper on the revision of the NC RfG and NC DC.

As a next step, ACER launched the Public Consultation to gather stakeholders' views and concrete amendment proposals regarding the GC NCs. The stakeholders could submit their inputs by 21 November 2022.

Access the results of the Public Consultation on the amendments to the grid connection network codes.

Additionally, in the preparation of the draft amendment proposals, ACER organised three dedicated public workshops, namely:

- electromobility, power-to-gas demand units and heat-pumps (held on 17 April 2023);
- rate of change of frequency and grid forming capabilities (held on 10 May 2023); and
- <u>electricity storage</u> (held on 11 May 2023).

After the evaluation of stakeholders' inputs, ACER has formulated its own proposal for the amendments of the GC NCs which is subject to this public consultation.

Stakeholder's details

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* Type of the stakeholder:

- Generator (including association)
- Consumer (including association)
- Transmission system operator (including association)
- Distribution system operator (including association)
- Manufacturers (including association)
- Academia/research institution
- Regulatory authority
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- Yes
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* Do you consent to the publication of provided answers?

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Instructions

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1. by downloading the ACER draft amendments in the Word file provided below. The file can also be accessed on the right panel of the consultation form under the Background Documents;

2. by commenting on the ACER's draft amendments through this online consultation form and adding their alternative text proposals to the table, if any; and

3. by uploading the alterative amendment proposals to the **entire NC RfG** using the <u>Track Changes mode</u> in the ACER draft amendments file downloaded from **Step 1**.

Where the stakeholder does not have any comments regarding the amendments, the relevant cells in the consultation form can be left blank.

The mandatory steps for submitting the comments are listed below.

Please see ACER's draft amendments in the Word file provided below. The file can also be accessed on the right panel of the consultation form under the Background Documents.

Download ACER draft amendments to the NC RfG here

Step 2

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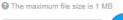
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Please write your amendment proposals, if any, in the table below.



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1. Leave comments on the ACER draft amendment proposals.

2. Propose (if any) alternative wording of the relevant provision, as you provided in the Word file.

3. Provide (if any) your proposals for adding new provisions to the relevant section of the NC RfG, as you provided in the Word file.

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Where the stakeholder would like to propose an alternative amendment to the **entire NC RfG**, please upload the Word file (**downloaded from Step 1**) containing all your alternative amendment proposals in the <u>Track Changes mode</u> to the next **FILE UPLOAD** section and rename it with your stakeholder's name ("ACER_draft_RfG_stakeholder_name"). You can also upload your justification documents, where applicable.

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(9)	With the existing text, the case of a synchronous machine which can be operated independently of others is left ambiguous – further wording changes are needed, as proposed. The word "INDIVIDUAL" is key here – it is essential to include wording that clarifies that the classification of a synchronous machine should be based on the INDIVIDUAL machine capacity where they can be operated independently, and not on the whole capacity of the installation, and neither on the aggregation of multiple synchronous power generating units.	(9) The significance of power-generating modules should be based on their size and their effect on the overall system. Synchronous machines should be classed on the machine size and include all the components of a generating facility that normally run indivisibly. Therefore, an installation containing a set of synchronous machines that can be operated independently from each other, such as diesel or gas reciprocating engine-driven synchronous generating units, should be assessed on the individual machine size and not the whole capacity of that installation. An installation containing a set of synchronous machines that cannot be operated independently from each other, such as a combined-cycle gas turbine installation, should be assessed on the whole capacity of that installation.
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(26)	This will clarify the importance of compliance schemes and the general contents.	(26) Appropriate and proportionate compliance testing should be introduced so that system operators can ensure operational security. Setting up procedures for operational notification and compliance schemes including tests, simulations and the application of certificates will promote standardised grid connection and non- discriminatory access to the European market for manufacturers and project developers.
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Article 2(9)	It is important to clarify that a SPGM can be an individual machine/unit in the case where it can be operated independently of other machines /units.	'synchronous power-generating module' means an individual machine which can be operated independently from others, or an indivisible set of machines which cannot be operated independently from each other and can generate electrical energy such that the frequency of the generated voltage, the generator speed and the frequency of network voltage are in a constant ratio and thus in synchronism;
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Article 2(46)	This is to clarify that any authorised certifier issuing an equipment certificate shall hold a valid accreditation according to the accreditation standard on product certification, i.e. ISO/IEC 17065. It is also introducing the option for issuing equipment certificates "and/or" PGMD as not all authorised certifiers may issue both conformity statements but only one of these.	'authorised certifier' means an entity that issues equipment certificates and/or power-generating module documents and is accredited according to the relevant internationally recognized standard given by the national affiliate of the European cooperation for Accreditation ('EA'), established in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council;
Article 2(47)	A change in the definition of "equipment certificate" is needed to align all concepts and refer to the correct documentation.	'equipment certificate' means a document issued by an authorised certifier based on a certification scheme according to the relevant internationally recognized standard for equipment used by a power-generating module, demand unit, distribution system, demand facility or HVDC system. The equipment certificate provides a statement of conformity demonstrating that specified requirements as defined on national or other level are fulfilled by the equipment. For the purpose of replacing specific parts of the compliance process, the equipment certificate may include simulation models that have been validated against actual test results;
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	(76) 'power generating unit' or 'PGU' means an aggregation of components converting a primary source of energy into electricity at the unit's terminals, which is synchronously connected to a network or which is either non-synchronously connected to a network or connected through power electronics.
	(77) 'component' means any hardware element or software element having an impact on the electrical characteristics and /or operation of a power generating unit or a power-generating module.
	(78) 'power generating unit family' or 'PGU family' means a group of PGUs from the same manufacturer with equivalent characteristics to the representative unit which has undergone conformance tests (tested unit) in terms of electrical performance. PGU family members may differ in power and voltage from the representative unit. The extent of the PGU family will be defined within the compliance scheme.
	(79) 'Component family' means a group of components from the same manufacturer with equivalent characteristics to the representative component which has undergone conformance tests (tested component), in terms of electrical performance. The extent of the component family will be defined within the compliance scheme.
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New definition	(81) 'Power Generating Unit Family Certificate' or 'PGU Family Certificate' means a document issued by an authorised certifier for a PGU Family based on the analysis of a representative unit. The PGU Family Certificate provides a statement of conformity demonstrating that specified requirements as defined on national level or in a

relevant standard are fulfilled by the PGU Family. For the purpose of replacing specific parts of the compliance process, the PGU Family Certificate may include simulation models that have been verified against actual test results and represent the whole PGU Family.

(82) 'compliance scheme' means a compliance verification programme provided by the relevant system operator which shall specify all evaluation and assessment measures to be taken, e.g. equipment certificates, tests, technical documentation and/or simulations, aimed to demonstrate the compliance of a PGM with the specified requirements during the operational notification process. The compliance scheme shall provide detailed information on the specified requirements or provide unambiguous references to relevant technical documents and standards. The compliance scheme should refer to applicable international or European standards if available. The compliance scheme may specify the format of the statement of compliance as well as further procedural information for embedding the statement of compliance in the operational notification process. Where equipment certificates are applied within the compliance scheme the scheme shall include or provide a reference to a certification scheme. The applied equipment certificates must be valid for the specific equipment installed within the PGM for which a connection request has been made.

(83) 'specified requirements' are provisions on power generating units, power generating modules or their components and which need to be fulfilled.

(84) 'Statement of conformity' means an attestation based on a conformity assessment that the fulfilment of specified requirements has been successfully demonstrated. The statement of conformity is provided in the equipment certificate.

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TITLE I - General provisions

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Article 7	 7(2)(f) - IGDs are documents created by ENTSO-E without outside stakeholder involvement and are not open for public consultation (at least at a level that would allow externals to influence the content in a meaningful way). A change in the IGD process could help with this issue and ease both their development and acceptance. Until then, it would be arbitrary to put IGDs on the same level as standards or legislative acts. 7(10) NEW - As discussed with ENTSO-E in the context of the EG HCF, there is a need to state the responsibility of the RSO to provide a compliance scheme. The new article helps to explain what is needed. 	(f) sta rele 10. sut sch cer wit Re shc cor Eu En shc sch ma
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TITLE II CHAPTER 1 - General Requirements

General requirements for type A power-generating modules

Includes new paragraphs

13(2)(b)(i) - Some types of SPGMs may have issues complying with the requirement, so it should be stated that it will be accepted within its technical capability. The actual capability must be informed to the RSO. 13(2)(d) - Operation outside the 47-52 Hz range is not considered for the design of SPGMs; the EN 60034-1 does not conceive operation up to 52.5 Hz, so possible rework with both synchronous generator manufacturer and general auxiliaries manufacturers would be needed. Therefore, this point should be deleted.	13 mc cal an to · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
 13(3)(g) - As commented by EUGINE in the first public consultation, the response time requirement of "less or equal to 8 seconds for an active power setpoint change of 45% maximum power" cannot be achieved by gas reciprocating engine-driven synchronous power-generating units. For further information, please see our statement published already in 2019: https://www.eugine.eu/wp-content/uploads/2022 /04/EUGINE_TF_CNC_2019-01-10_LFSM-OIndustry_statement.pdf If the current draft text is adopted into legal text, this will effectively exclude some products /technologies from the market, which is not acceptable. It is acknowledged that there is a caveat stating that, "If the response time is greater than stated above, the power-generating facility owner shall justify the delay, providing 	
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Article 13(3)	already in the IGD on LFSM-O, but there are some countries enforcing the response time without any possibility of deviation, or poorly defined processes to obtain a derogation. EUGINE therefore requests ACER to reconsider this response time and introduce an allowance for gas reciprocating engine-driven synchronous generating units. We would also urge ACER to engage with EUGINE and other industry associations for further consultation on this issue before publishing a final draft. For consideration, an amendment has been included in EN50549-2 Edition 1.1, based on agreement and input from manufacturers, which it is proposed that NC RfG should adopt: "The following response times are considered technically feasible for specific generating technologies. – For PV and battery inverters below 1 s for ΔP of 100 % Pmax. – For wind turbines 2 s for $\Delta P < 50$ % Pmax. – For combustion engines, gas turbines, fuel cells below 2 MW 66% /min for a 100% change. – For combustion engines, gas turbines, fuel cells above 2 MW 20% /min for a 100% change."	 13(3)(g) - The response time, Tresp in Figure XX, for active power decrease in case of increasing frequency, shall be as described below: (i) For PV and battery inverters less than or equal to 1 s for ΔP of 100% Pmax. (ii) For wind turbines less than or equal to 2 s for ΔP of 50% Pmax. (iii) For combustion engines, gas turbines, fuel cells below 2 MW, less than or equal to 60 s for ΔP of 66% Pmax. (iv) For combustion engines, gas turbines, fuel cells above 2 MW, less than or equal to 60s for ΔP of 20% Pmax. If the response time is greater than stated above, the power-generating facility owner shall justify the delay, providing technical evidence to the relevant TSO.
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[NEW] General requirements for type EV1 and EV2 V2G electric vehicles and associated V2G electric vehicle supply equipment

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General requirements for type B power-generating modules

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Article 14(1)		
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Article 14(2)	It is proposed to copy the text and Fig of 14 (3) (c) here as 14 (2) (b), as this requirement can be applied at voltage connection levels greater or equal to 110 kV.	Please see the NEW proposed point below.
	14 (3) (b) - According to EN 50549-2 article 4.5.3.1 "The requirements apply to all kinds of faults (1ph, 2ph and 3ph)"; this proposal shall align this and will guarantee that a TSO does not create a more stringent profile than that defined for symmetrical faults.	
Article 14(3)	14 (3) (c) - Alignment of the Figure X "High voltage- ride-through profile of a power-generating module" with EN50549-2 Figure 8: 125% Un for 100ms 120% Un for 5s 115% Un for 60s	 14 (3) (b) - fault-ride-through capabilities in case of asymmetrical faults shall be specified by each TSO but will stay within the limits defined for symmetrical faults according to 14(3)(a). 14 (3) (c) - Figure X2 (see below)
	The high-voltage ride-through profile should NOT exceed EN 50549-2 (Section 4.5.4) which is the European standard applicable to Type B. The proposal is to change Figure X by Figure 8 of the EN 50549-2.	
Article 14(4)		
Article 14(5)		

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	14 (2) (b) NEW - The power-generating module shall be capable of operating stably without disconnecting from the network, if none of the phase-to-phase voltages exceeds the voltage- against-time-profile defined in Figure X at the connection point. The relevant system operator, in coordination with the relevant TSO, shall define higher longer times for operation, if it is required to
	preserve or to restore system security.
New provision	
	Figure X High voltage-ride-through profile of a power- generating module
	The diagram represents the higher limit of a voltage-against-time profile of the voltage at the connection point, before, during and after a fault. Urecf is the maximum voltage specified in paragraph 2.

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[NEW] Requirements for type EV3 electric vehicles and associated V2G electric vehicle supply equipment and V2G electrical charging parks

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General requirements for type C power-generating modules

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General requirements for type D power-generating modules

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TITLE II CHAPTER 2 - Requirements for synchronous power-generating modules

[NEW] Requirements for type A synchronous power-generating modules

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Article X		

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Requirements for type B synchronous power-generating modules

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Article 17(1)		
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Article 17(3)		

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Requirements for type C synchronous power-generating modules

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Article 18(1)		
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Requirements for type D synchronous power-generating modules

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Article 19(1)		
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Article 19(4)		

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TITLE II CHAPTER 3 - Requirements for power park modules

[NEW] Requirements for type A power park modules

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Article Y(1)		
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Article Y(5)		
Article Y(6)		
Article Y(7)		
Article Y(8)		

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Requirements for type B power park modules

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Article 20(1)		
Article 20(2)		
Article 20(3)		
Article 20(4)		

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New provision	

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Requirements for type C power park modules

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Article 21(1)		
Article 21(2) [deleted]		
Article 21(2)		
Article 21(3)		
Article 21(4)		

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Requirements for type D power park modules

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Article 22(1)		
Article 22(2)		

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TITLE II CHAPTER 4 - Requirements for offshore power park modules

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Article 23		
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TITLE III - Operational notification procedure for connection

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Article 29	 The proposed modification of paragraph 2 brings in the compliance scheme topic and the fact that it needs to be applied. New paragraphs ensure that an acceptance of equipment certificates is facilitated by a clear specification by the RSO on: a) respectively accepted certification schemes and b) respectively accepted specified requirements, e. g. grid codes, from other member states, on which the conformity assessment is performed. 	 The relevant system operator shall clarify and make publicly available the details of the operational notification procedure, which shall include the compliance scheme. The compliance scheme shall address the use of equipment certificates of PGUs and components. The compliance scheme should refer to applicable international or European standards, if available.
Article 30		
Article 30a [new]		
Article 30b [new]		
Article 31		
Article 32		
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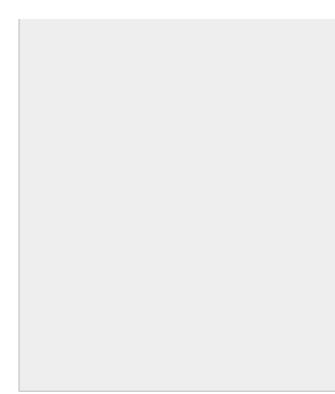
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TITLE IV - Compliance

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Article 40		
Article 41		
Article 42		
Article 43	A new article (see below) should be inserted under Chapter 1, after Art. 43, to provide a detailed and harmonised framework on equipment certificates. Following the conclusions of its final report, the Expert Group Harmonization of Certification and product Family grouping is convinced that the clarifications provided in this new article will promote the provision and application of equipment certificates into the notification process and will, thus, reduce the struggle many Member States are facing today due to unclear definitions and knowledge of formal requirements. Especially, a clear obligation to the RSO to specify what certification programmes and requirements the RSO is willing to accept will considerably help to deploy certificates in the overall process.	
Article 44		
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	 Article ZZ [after Article 43] Common Provisions on Equipment Certificates 1. In the case that the compliance scheme specified by the RSO provides for the use of equipment certificates issued by an authorised certifier in the context of Title III and/or Title IV, the equipment certificates shall comply with the following provisions: a) Any equipment certificate shall be based on the certification scheme as specified in the compliance scheme.
	b) The equipment certificates are classified into PGU certificates, component certificates and PGM certificates. The equipment certificates shall demonstrate the conformity with the specified requirements as defined in the compliance scheme by applying the respective evaluation and assessment measures according to the certification scheme
	c) Specified requirements referred to within equipment certificates may be defined by the requirements as set out in Title II, provided by a national implementation under this Regulation, by relevant internationally recognized European standards and/or alternative schemes that may also be applicable.
New article	2. RSOs shall accept equipment certificates issued by authorized certifiers of any Member States whose accreditation is given by the respective national affiliate of the European cooperation for Accreditation ('EA').
	3. RSOs may accept equipment certificates that provide a statement of conformity with respect to specified requirements others than the requirements at national level implemented under this Regulation according to the provisions of Article 7 (1), i.e. the RSOs' national grid codes. In such case, the RSO shall specify the acceptance conditions within the compliance scheme, as well as which additional information needs to be provided in order to demonstrate the compliance of the equipment with the established
New article	 demonstrate the conformity with the specified requirements as defined in the compliance scheme by applying the respective evaluation assessment measures according to the certification scheme c) Specified requirements referred to withi equipment certificates may be defined by the requirements as set out in Title II, provided by national implementation under this Regulation, relevant internationally recognized European standards and/or alternative schemes that may also be applicable. 2. RSOs shall accept equipment certificate issued by authorized certifiers of any Member States whose accreditation is given by the respective national affiliate of the European cooperation for Accreditation ('EA'). 3. RSOs may accept equipment certificate that provide a statement of conformity with rest to specified requirements others than the requirements at national level implemented un this Regulation according to the provisions of Article 7 (1), i.e. the RSOs' national grid codes such case, the RSO shall specify the acceptant conditions within the compliance scheme, as was which additional information needs to be provided in order to demonstrate the compliance



requirements at national level implemented under this Regulation.

4. The compliance scheme defined by the RSO may define as eligible those equipment certificates where the statement of conformity covers only selected specified requirements (e.g. FRT, LFSM, etc.). These will be used within the compliance scheme required by the RSO.

5. RSOs may accept equipment certificates for PGU and/or components which belong to a family to the extent defined within the compliance scheme, required by each RSO, under which the assessed PGU and/or component is certified. This subset of PGUs and/or components shall comply with the definition for PGU family, if not otherwise defined in the compliance scheme.

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TITLE V - Derogations

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Article 70a [new]		

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TITLE VII - Final provisions

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Article 72		

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