Press Release

ENTSOG launches 2nd public consultation on CEN gas quality standard impacts for the gas value chain

(Brussels, 20 September 2016, PR0115-16) **The European Commission (EC) has invited ENTSOG to prepare a detailed analysis of the entire natural gas value chain on the impacts and issues associated with the application of the CEN gas quality standard and, based on the results of the analysis to develop a proposal to amend the Network Code on Interoperability and Data Exchange.**

The findings of the first public consultation on the impacts of a potential binding reference to the CEN standard EN16726:2015 in the Network Code on Interoperability and Data Exchange rules were presented in Cologne (Germany) on 13 September. ENTSOG launches now a 2nd public consultation on a set of 3 refined future scenarios based on stakeholder input.

Stakeholders along the gas value chain in all EU member states are encouraged to take part in this public consultation.

Jan Ingwersen, ENTSOG General Manager, said: *"ENTSOG shares the EC's view that a broad involvement of stakeholder is crucial to provide fundamental input to the analysis, especially on those issues outside the fields of expertise of our member transmission system operators."*

The public consultation (link here) will be open until 21 October 2016.

Based on the answers received, ENTSOG will present an analysis of the 3 refined scenarios on 16 November 2016.

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Editorial notes

> ENTSOG was founded on 1 December 2009 in line with Regulation (EC) 715/2009. The current number of Members, Associated Partners and Observers can be found at this link.

> In line with Articles 6, 7 and 8 of the Regulation (EC) 715/2009, ENTSOG has the task of formulating network codes in a number of areas and of adopting various communications: a non-binding community-wide Ten-Year Network Development Plan on biennial basis; Winter and Summer Supply Outlooks; common network operation tools; recommendations relating to the coordination of technical cooperation between community and third-country-TSOs; annual work programmes and annual reports.