**Gas Transmission** 

**EU Update** 

**Transmission Workgroup** 

6<sup>th</sup> January 2022



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## **EU Hydrogen and Gas Markets Decarbonisation Package**

The EC published a suite of documents on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021 in support of this initiative

The key proposals are to amend the Gas Regulation (EC) 715/2009 and the Gas Directive 2009/73/EC, plus other supporting documents

- Regulation: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/12766-Gas-networks-revision-of-EU-rules-on-market-access\_en">https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/12766-Gas-networks-revision-of-EU-rules-on-market-access\_en</a>
- Directive: <a href="https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/12911-Gas-networks-revision-of-EU-rules-on-market-access\_en">https://ec.europa.eu/info/law/better-regulation/have-your-say/initiatives/12911-Gas-networks-revision-of-EU-rules-on-market-access\_en</a>

The proposals are open to public consultation <u>until 10th February 2022</u>

## The Commission's stated aims are

- Enable the market to decarbonise gas consumption
- Implement policy measures to supporting the creation of optimum infrastructure and efficient markets.
- Remove barriers to decarbonisation and create the conditions for a more cost-effective transition

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## The proposed legislation includes proposals for:

- Hydrogen infrastructure and markets
- Integration of renewable and low carbon gases into existing networks
- More integrated network planning
- Consumer engagement
- Improving energy security and supply

Following consultation, the text then has to pass through the European Council and European Parliament (likely to take until Q4 2022)

We would then expect this to trigger amendments to / new EU Regulations such as Network Codes in 2023

Further information can be found at <u>Hydrogen and decarbonised gas market package | Energy (europa.eu)</u>

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