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To:
NEMOs and TSOs of AT, DE, PL and 4M MC countries

Subject: concerns regarding delay in implementation of DE-AT-PL-4MMC project (Interim Coupling Project)

For many years we support integration of European energy markets and actively participate in various initiatives aimed at achieving that goal. Therefore, we welcomed the information on launching the so-called DE-AT-PL-4MMC project, aimed at introduction of NTC-based market coupling between these countries as an interim step towards the introduction of FBA Market Coupling in the Core region. In our view implementation of this project will contribute to development of competition in regional and national markets, enable access to cheaper electricity, and will increase market liquidity.

Seeing the benefits of this project, we have been following with interest the progress in its implementation. Unfortunately, last information about state of play on the project was presented to market participants on 18 December 2019 during the MESC meeting. Therefore, we are concerned about potential delays in project realization.

We are fully aware that implementation of Interim Coupling project is great challenge for all involved parties, especially in current circumstances connected with Covid-19 pandemic outbreak. However, in our opinion it is needed even more now. Completion of the project will bring the possibility for market players to diversify the sources of energy purchase and to buy electricity at competitive price, which is a one of key factors for entrepreneurs for keeping business continuity and economic recovery after. Therefore, we would like to call the project members for continuation of works on this initiative and making every effort to implement the Interim Coupling project on time.

Yours sincerely,



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