

**Demand assessment report  
for the incremental capacity process  
starting 2023  
between the BeLux market area (ZTP) and the  
German market area Trading Hub Europe  
where no non-binding demand indications  
were received**

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## **A. Non-binding Demand indications**

In line with Art. 26 of Regulation (EU) 2017/459, the transmission systems operators conducting this market demand assessment report gave network users the opportunity to submit non-binding demand indications to quantify potential demand for incremental capacity. The period for submission on both sides of the border between the BeLux market area (ZTP) and the German market area Trading Hub Europe (THE) was from 03 July 2023 to 28 August 2023 (COB).

Within this period no non-binding demand indications regarding the respective border were received by the TSOs. If non-binding requests for new capacity are received after the deadline, they will be taken into account in the next Market Demand Assessment report (2025-2027 cycle), according to the current legal situation, provided they are still valid.

## **B. Demand assessment**

### **i. Historical usage pattern**

As stated above, for the incremental capacity cycle addressed by this report no non-binding market demand indications were received. Therefore, an analysis of the historical capacity utilization between the respective entry-exit systems to support the assessment of the demand for incremental capacity is not necessary.

### **ii. Relations to GRIPs, TYNDP, NDPs**

As there is no non-binding market demand, any physical supply gaps from the GRIP, TYNDP or the national network development plan cannot be closed via the process according to chapter 5 NC CAM, but must be taken into account in the respective processes.

### **iii. Expected amount, direction and duration of demand for incremental capacity**

Bearing in mind the elements mentioned above, there is no demand for incremental capacity identified stemming either out of market indications or other sources.

### **C. Conclusion for the (non)-initiation of an incremental capacity project**

Considering the elements mentioned in section A and B of this report, at this stage no ground is identified to consider starting an incremental capacity project. This doesn't preclude the conclusions of a following demand assessment exercise. Hence, for the entry-exit-systems addressed by this report no incremental capacity project nor technical studies will be initiated based on this market demand assessment report.

### **D. Provisional timeline**

For the time being, no incremental project will be initiated. According to the current legal situation, the next market demand analysis will start in 2025 after the auction of the annual capacities.

### **E. Interim arrangements for the auction of existing capacity on the concerned IP(s)**

Due to the fact that no incremental project will be initiated based on this market demand assessment, interim arrangements are not required for the time being.

### **F. Fees**

Within the framework of the procedure on which this report is based, no fees were charged by any of the TSOs involved for the submission of non-binding demands, as there are no non-binding market demands.

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