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EUROPEAN COMMISSION – Communication on the internal energy market

On 15 November, the European Commission presented a Communication on the Internal Energy Market to take stock of progress made towards the completion of the internal energy market by 2014, identify the main challenges ahead and propose actions to im-

prove the effective application of the 3rd Energy package. CEDEC has written a position on this communication. The communication is available via: http://ec.europa.eu/energy/index_en.htm

EUROPEAN Parliament – Renewable Energy

After a first exchange of views on 8 October on challenges and opportunities for renewables in the internal energy market, the ITRE Committee published the draft report on 6 November. It responds to the European Commission Communication, which outlines a strategic framework for

EU renewable energy policy, with particular focus on the integration of renewable energy into the single market: <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?pubRef=-%2f%2fEP%2f%2fNONSGML%2bCOMPARL%2bPE-497.809%2b01%2bDOC%2bPDF%2bV0%2f%2fDE>

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT : Concessions

The adoption of the opinion on the award of concession contracts took place on 5 November. Amendments were introduced by the Members of the ITRE Committee to the Commission proposal. The issues addressed in the amendments include the thresholds for application of the directive, the question of exclu-

sions applicable to concessions and the rules on publication of contract notices. Link to draft opinion and amendments: <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/committees/en/itre/draft-opinions.html?linkedDocument=true&ufolderComCode=ITRE&ufolderLegId=7&ufolderId=08523&urefProcYear=&urefProcNum=&urefProcCode=#menuzone>

ACER: Network Codes for Requirements for Grid Connection Applicable to all Generators

On 13 October, ACER adopted its opinion on the Network Code for Requirements for Grid Connection Applicable to all Generators. In its opinion, ACER highlights a few areas where improvement is needed for the Network Code to be fully in line with the Framework Guidelines and hence recommended for adoption to the

European Commission. The main areas of concern are the significance test, the justification of significant deviations, national scrutiny and cost recovery.

Link: http://www.acer.europa.eu/Official_documents/Acts_of_the_Agency/Opinions/Opinions/ACER%20Opinion%2008-2012.pdf

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT : Workshop on “Renewable Energy in the European Internal Energy Market”

The European Parliament organized, on 8th November, a workshop on “Renewable Energy in the European Internal Energy Market”. Five academic experts gave a presentation on RES-E integration infrastructure develop-

ment costs and market design and on the interplay of national renewable energy support schemes in the European internal energy market.

<http://www.europarl.europa.eu/committees/en/itre/events.html?id=workshops#menuzone>

EUROPEAN COMMISSION – CARS 2020

The European Commission has, on 8 November, adopted the « CARS 2020: Action Plan for a competitive and sustainable automotive industry in Europe. Vice President Antonio Tajani

presented the Action Plan in a press conference. To see the action plan & the press release:

http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/sectors/automotive/competitiveness-cars21/cars21/index_en.htm

EUROPEAN AGENDA

- London Forum: 13 & 14 November 2012
- Florence Forum: 21 & 22 November 2012
- Energy Council: 3rd December 2013
- CEDEC Energy Attaché Lunch : 10 December 2012
- CEDEC Congress : 19 & 20 March 2013