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Subject: Referral of the exemption request of AQUIND Limited for a new 2000 MW electricity interconnector between France and Great-Britain to the Agency for decision

The Commission de régulation de l'énergie ("CRE") and the Office of Gas and Electricity Markets ("Ofgem") have referred the request of AQUIND Limited for exemption under Article 17 of Regulation (EC) No 714/2009 with regard to a new 2000 MW electricity interconnector between France and Great-Britain to the Agency for decision.

AQUIND Limited requests a partial exemption from Article 16(6) of [Regulation \(EC\) No 714/2009](#) and from Articles 9, 32, 37(6) and 37(10) of [Directive 2009/72/EC](#) for a period of 25 years from the commissioning date. More information on this referral, as well as on the AQUIND Interconnector can be found [here](#) and [here](#).

The Agency invites interested parties to send any observations they may have on this subject to the Agency (exemption.aquind@acer.europa.eu) by 21 February 2018.

The Agency will treat all information received as non-confidential, unless it is explicitly marked as confidential and the reasons provided for confidentiality are justified. If a document containing confidential information is submitted, a non-confidential version needs to be submitted as well.

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