COMMISSION REGULATION (EC) No 2386/96

of 16 December 1996

applying Council Regulation (EC) No 736/96 of 22 April 1996 on notifying the Commission of investment projects of interest to the Community in the petroleum, natural gas and electricity sectors

(Text with EEA relevance)

THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community and in particular Article 213 thereof,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 736/96 of 22 April 1996 on notifying the Commission of investment projects of interest to the Community in petroleum, natural gas and electricity sectors [1], and in particular Article 2.2 thereof,

Whereas Article 2.2 of Regulation (EC) No 736/96 provides that the Commission may, within the limits laid down by that Regulation and the annexes thereto, adopt implementing provisions concerning the form, content and other details of the notifications provided for in Article 1 thereof,

Whereas to simplify, on a technical level, the information system and to gather comparable data, notifications to be made by Member States and, in certain cases undertakings, should be standardized by the use of questionnaires which would serve as a guide for the presentation and content of such notifications,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The notifications referred to in Article 1 of Regulation (EC) No 736/96 shall be drawn up as shown in the annex hereto.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Communities.*

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 16 December 1996.

For the Commission

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Member of the Commission

[1] OJ No L 102, 25. 4. 1996, p. 1.

ANNEX

Questionnaires

on information to be submitted:

(a) by companies to the Governments of the Member States, except where the Member States have decided to use other means of gathering the information on the basis of Article 1, second paragraph, last sentence of Regulation (EC) No 736/96;

(b) by the Member States to the Commission of the European Communities.

The questionnaires forming part of this annex shall serve as a guide to enable the form and content of the Communications to be standardized. The Communications shall refer to the following:

— existing installations or parts of installations,

— installations or parts of installations under construction or at the planning stage,

— proposed withdrawals from service of installations or parts of installations.

Under 'existing installations or parts of installations' shall be included as separately specified the total capacity in service at the reporting date.

The following shall be considered as 'installations or parts of installations at the planning stage': investment projects within the meaning of Regulation (EC) No 736/96 for which the decision in principle to construct or enlarge an installation or part of an installation has been taken and on which work is scheduled to start within three years from the reference date, in the case of investment projects in the petroleum and natural gas sectors, or within five years in the case of investment projects in the electricity sector. This shall include those investment projects of which the major features may, in whole or in part, be subject to future review or to final authorization by a competent authority.

The following shall be considered as 'proposed withdrawals from service of installations or parts of installations': installations or parts of installations with respect to which the decision has been taken in principle to withdraw them from service, this decision normally being expected to be put into effect within three years from the reference date, in the case of investment projects in the electricity and natural gas sector, or within one year in the case of investment projects in the petroleum sector.

The 'supplementary information' relating to investment projects shall include significant changes in the major features and decisional status of projects since the previous communication, and such other specific comments indicated by footnotes on the relevant questionnaire sheet. In addition Member States shall add any comments they may have relating to the projects.

All information collected shall be treated confidentially.

G1 — INVESTMENT IN GAS PIPELINES

Member State:			Position at 1 January	
	Capacity (A)	Additions (B)	Additions (C)	Withdrawals (D)
Route (city & country) — from (*) — to (*)	1. 2. 3. 4. 5.			
Classification MP: main pipeline E: extension				
Length (km)				
Internal diameter (inches)				
Pressure (bar)				
Capacity — max annual (bcm) — foreseen annual (bcm)				
TEN project (Yes/No) If yes, project ref. No Other remarks:				

(A) Position at 1 January of current *calendar* year of total capacity in service

(B) Pipelines under planning or construction (in service within three calendar years)

(C) Pipelines under planning or construction (in service after three calendar years)

(D) Pipelines expected to come offstream within three calendar years

(*) main junction closest to border

G2 — INVESTMENT IN LNG PLANTS

Member State:			Position at 1 January	
	Capacity (A)	Additions (B)	Additions (C)	Withdrawals (D)
Geographical location (city-region)	1. 2. 3. 4. 5.			
Max storage capacity (m^3 of LNG)				
Max regasification capacity (m^3 of LNG/h)				
Foreseen annual volume (bcm/year)				
TEN project (Yes/No) If yes, project ref. No Other remarks:				

(A) Position at 1 January of current *calendar* year of total capacity in service

(B) Plants under planning or construction (in service within three calendar years)

(C) Plants under planning or construction (in service after three calendar years)

(D) Plants expected to come offstream within three calendar years

G3 — INVESTMENTS IN STORAGE CAPACITY

Member State:			Position at 1 January	
	Capacity (A)	Additions (B)	Additions (C)	Withdrawals (D)
Geographical location (city-region)	1. 2. 3. 4. 5.			
Total capacity (bcm)				
Useful capacity (bcm)				
Max daily extraction (bcm)				
TEN project (Yes/No) If yes, project ref. No Other remarks:				

(A) Position at 1 January of current *calendar* year of total capacity in service

(B) Capacity under planning or construction (in service within three calendar years)

(C) Capacity under planning or construction (in service after three calendar years)

(D) Capacity expected to come offstream within three calendar years

REFINERY INSTALLATION CAPACITIES

(in thousand tonnes per year)

Member State:	Position at 1 January				
	Capacity (A)	Additions (B1)	Additions (B2)	Withdrawals (C)	Remarks
Atmospheric Distillation					
Vacuum Distillation					
Cracking (Thermal) — Visbreaking and/or Thermal Cracking — Coking — Other					
Cracking (Catalytic) — Luid Catalytic Cracking — Hydrocracking — Other					
Reforming Naphtha Isomerisation					
Desulphurisation — Gasoil — HFO — Other					
Alkylation Polymerisation Isomerisation (C4)					
Etherification — MTBE, TAME — ETBE — Other					

(A) Position at 1 January of current *calender* year of total capacity in service: the aggregate capacity of individual plants which are in regular operation including plants shut down for maintenance or repairs. It is thus equal to 'total (installed) capacity' less capacity which has been withdrawn from service indefinitely, or for an extended period.

(B1) Capacity expected to come 'on stream' in the course of the *current* calendar year.

(B2) Capacity expected to come 'on stream' in the course of the two *following* calendar years.

New or re-commissioned capacity: the capacity of plant which is:

(a) newly commissioned;
(b) converted from other uses;
(c) brought back into service after being withdrawn due to surplus requirements.

(C) Capacity expected to come 'off stream' in the course of the *current* calendar year.

(a) 'Finally': the capacity of plant which is scheduled to be withdrawn from service either to be scrapped or to be converted permanently to other uses;
(b) 'Temporarily': the capacity of plant which is scheduled to be withdrawn due to surplus to current requirements but which is firmly expected to be eventually put back into service.

INVESTMENTS IN ELECTRICITY SECTOR PRODUCTION

E1

MEMBER STATE:

Situation on 1 January ....

Type of installation	Number of installations and nominal power (MW)										Supplementary information
	Capacity (A^1)		Capacity (A^2)		Additional capacity (B^1)		Additional capacity (B^2)		Withdrawal (C)		
	Number	Power	Number	Power	Number	Power	Number	Power	Number	Power	
Conventional Thermal Power Stations (≥ 200 MW) capable of burning:											
Coal											
Petrol											
Gas											
Lignite											
Mixed ...../.....											
Mixed ...../.....(1)											
Others											
Nuclear Power Stations (≥ 200 MW) of type:											
PWR											
BWR											
GGR											
FBR											
Others											
Hydro-electric power stations (≥ 50 MW) of the category:											
Seasonal stockage (S)											
Short-term stockage (ST)											
Run-of River (R)											
Pumped storage only (P)											
Mixed pumped and others											

(A^1) Total capacity in service on 1 January of the year of the Communication (installations or parts of existing installations).
(A^2) Total capacity in service since the previous Communication (installations or part installations).
(B^1) Capacity expected to be used in the course of the year of the Communication (for each installation or part installation being built or planned).
(B^2) Capacity expected to be used in the course of the following four years (for each installation or part installation being built or planned).
(C) Capacity expected to be withdrawn from service in the course of the year of the Communication or the following two years (for each installation or part installations).
(1) For installations capable of burning more than one fuel, please indicate the power at total level and for each fuel separately.

INVESTMENTS IN ELECTRICITY SECTOR TRANSPORT

E2

MEMBER STATE:

Situation on 1 January ....

Type of installation	Number of installations and length (km)										Supplementary information
	Capacity ([A1])		Capacity ([A2])		Additional Capacity ([B1])		Additional Capacity ([B2])		Withdrawal ([C])		
	Number	Length	Number	Length	Number	Length	Number	Length	Number	Length	
Lines (≥ 345 kV) of a voltage of:											
345											
380											
400											
420											
Other											
Underground cables (≥ 100 kV) of a voltage of:											
220											
250											
380											
400											
420											
Other											
Submarine cables (≥ 100 kV) of a voltage of:											
220											
250											
380											
400											
420											
Other											

([A1]) Total capacity in service on 1 January of the year of the Communication (installations or parts of existing installations).

([A2]) Total capacity in service since the previous Communication (installations or part installations).

([B1]) Capacity expected to be used in the course of the year of the Communication (for each installation or part installation being built or foreseen).

([B2]) Capacity expected to be used in the course of the following four years (for each installation or part installation being built or foreseen).

([C]) Capacity expected to be withdrawn from service in the course of the year of the Communication or the following two years (for each installation or part installations).