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Open letter - To stakeholders interested in developing an Equipment Certificate regime for Power Generating Modules to be deployed in Great Britain.

Requirements for Generators – Equipment Certificates

As you will be aware the Requirements for Generators EU Network Code (RfG) envisages a certificate regime operating across Europe whereby manufacturers will be able to obtain certificates granted under the regime of EC 765/2008 confirming compliance with RfG (and other) requirements. These Equipment Certificates would be appropriately portable across the EU.

In Great Britain (GB) it is not quite obvious exactly how such a regime can be instituted, nor exactly what will be used as the specification, given the RfG is insufficiently detailed and has national or synchronous area options within it. However Engineering Recommendations G98 and G99 have now been approved by Ofgem as including all the GB implementation requirements of the RfG. It therefore seems appropriate to the GB Distribution Network Operators (DNOs) to seek views from interested stakeholders on how an Equipment Certificate regime might be available to manufacturers serving the GB market.

It appears to the GB DNOs that this is essentially a commercial arrangement between owners of generation and manufacturers, but as the DNOs also have some RfG responsibilities in terms of the compliance process, it would be useful for the thoughts from interested stakeholders to be shared – either publicly in response to this letter on the ENA's website or on a private bilateral basis with the ENA.

We hope that this open letter prompts appropriate discussion between relevant parties to initiate the moves that will see an effective Equipment Certificate regime implemented in Great Britain.

Request for stakeholder views

As mentioned above, we would encourage views from interested stakeholders on how an Equipment Certificate regime might be available to manufacturers serving the GB market.

Any responses to this letter are requested by **Friday 31 August 2018**. Unless clearly marked confidential, all responses will be published on Distribution Code website. If you would like to get in touch to discuss these issues please contact <u>david.spillett@energynetworks.org</u>.

Yours faithfully

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