

Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators. Third energy package

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At its Plenary Session of 22 April 2009, the European Parliament adopted a compromise package which had been agreed with the Council in view of reaching a second reading agreement. These amendments concern essentially:

The competences of the Agency regarding:

- monitoring progress in the implementation of projects to create new interconnector capacity;
- contributing to the implementation of TEN-E guidelines;
- monitoring competences regarding internal markets in electricity and natural gas in general and retail prices, access to the network and compliance with consumers' rights in particular.

The organisation of the Agency regarding:

- two members of the Administrative Board shall be nominated by the EP, two by the Commission and five by the Council;
- the European Parliament may invite the chairman of the Board of Regulators to make a statement before its competent committee.

The Commission accepts the compromise package as it is in line with the overall purpose and the general characteristics of the proposal.