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Subject: SouthStream cancellation

Dear Mr Stephan Kamphues,

*Liebe Stephan,*

The cancellation of the SouthStream project has triggered the rethinking of the gas market situation in many countries but especially in the Central and South-Eastern region of the EU. In particular it has a considerable impact on infrastructure development plans, some projects need to be adapted, some cancelled and new ones may need to be defined. You may have heard that an initiative to tackle these gas connectivity issues in South-East Europe has recently been launched by Vice-president Sefčovič and Commissioner Arias Cañete, so this topic is high on the political agenda.

With this in mind, I would like you to explore whether the TYNDP can be opened for a short period of time in order to allow some of these potential projects, if any, to be still included. We need to ensure that such an action is done in a transparent and non-discriminatory way.

I am aware that the preparation of the TYNDP has already suffered a delay of one month due to necessary adjustments also stemming from the cancellation of SouthStream and that the project-specific modelling of the candidate PCIs is already ongoing. For the same reason, I would enquire whether the potential inclusion of future projects can be done in a way that there are no further delays to the TYNDP, and consequently, to the PCI selection process.

Looking forward to your views on this

Yours sincerely,

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