

Targeted Consultation for the Evaluation of the Guidelines on State aid for Environmental protection and Energy 2014-2020 (EEAG)

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Introduction

In 2012, the Commission launched the State aid modernisation with the objectives to: 1) foster sustainable, smart and inclusive growth in a competitive internal market; 2) focus Commission's *ex ante* scrutiny on cases with the biggest impact on the internal market; and 3) streamline the rules and provide for faster decisions. In view of these objectives, the Commission has since 2013 revised a number of State aid rules, including the State aid Guidelines for environmental protection and energy (EEAG).

In January 2019, the European Commission announced its intention to prolong seven sets of State aid rules for a period of two years^[1] and launched a [comprehensive policy evaluation in the area of State aid \(“Fitness Check”\)](#). Part of this exercise is the evaluation of the State aid Guidelines for environmental protection and energy to reflect if the current rules are still fit for purpose.

Besides the general public consultation on the fitness check of EU State aid rules, this targeted consultation aims to ask supplementary questions in order to gather stakeholders' views on the implementation of the State aid Guidelines for environmental protection and energy and the provisions applicable to aid for environmental protection (and energy) (Section 7) of the General Block Exemption Regulation (GBER) and to receive insights about potential gaps, overlaps or excessive regulatory burden.

You are kindly invited to reply to a set of 19 Questions. Please make sure you use the save button as you proceed with the questionnaire to avoid losing information that was already inserted - especially in the case of questions with open replies. At the end of the survey you will have an opportunity to provide broader, more general comments and to upload documents, which you consider as relevant.

The Commission will publish an analysis of the results of the Fitness Check and examine possible follow up actions at the beginning of 2020.

[1] For details and state-of-play see the relevant initiatives on the Better Regulation Portal: [State aid – 2-year extension for general block exemption regulation](#); [State aid – 2-year extension for de minimis regulation](#); [Prolongation of state aid rules reformed under the state aid modernisation package expiring end of 2020](#).

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***Scope**

- International
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- Regional
- Local

*** Organisation name**

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Union Professionnelle des Industries Privées du Gaz (UPRIGAZ)

*** Organisation size**

- Micro (1 to 9 employees)
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- Medium (50 to 249 employees)
- Large (250 or more)

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Représentation professionnelles des entreprises européennes, fournisseurs de gaz et d'électricité en France.

*** Please describe the relevance of State aid rules for you.**

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L'UPRIGAZ veille au respect des règles de concurrence, transparence et non-discrimination des activités de production, transport, stockage, distribution et commercialisation de gaz et d'électricité en France

How would you best describe the nature of your understanding and involvement in matters related to State aid rules?

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L'UPRIGAZ veille à ce que des aides d'Etat ne faussent pas le jeu de la concurrence entre les fournisseurs et les énergies

* Country of origin

Please add your country of origin, or that of your organisation

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- Ireland
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- Kazakhstan
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- Kuwait
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- Latvia
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EEAG Targeted Questionnaire

Effectiveness:

In this section, we would like your opinion on the extent to which the State aid Guidelines for environmental protection and energy (EEAG) and the provisions applicable to aid for environmental protection (which include provisions on energy) (Section 7) of the General Block Exemption Regulation (related GBER provisions) have achieved their objectives and delivered results.

1. Based on your experience, to what extent have the EEAG and the corresponding GBER provisions (e.g. tendering, technological neutrality, market integration) been effective in:

	To a large extent	To some extent	Not at all	I don't know
- enabling the deployment of renewables while lowering societal costs and reducing the amount of aid needed?	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
- facilitating the integration of renewable energy into the electricity market?	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
- ensuring financing of support schemes to renewable energy sources, while limiting negative impacts on the competitiveness of EU firms?	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
- ensuring that capacity mechanisms were necessary and cost-effective in providing security of supply and least-distortive to competition and intra-EU trade?	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
- ensuring that capacity mechanisms did not negatively impact the objective of phasing out environmentally harmful subsidies including for fossil fuels?	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
- ensuring that in cogeneration and district heating the most cost-efficient projects could be realised?	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Please explain:

L'UPRIGAZ regrette que l'Union européenne n'ait pas établie de règles communes pour la mise en place d'un marché européen de capacité et observe que le marché français de capacité électrique est excessivement

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Complexe, ce qui pénalise les acteurs alternatifs.

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2. Based on your experience, have Member States created a level playing field for imported and domestically produced biofuels and/or biomass energy when providing support (for instance by supporting a specific type of domestically produced biofuels and/or biomass energy, but not other types of biofuels and/or biomass energy with similar costs or greenhouse gases emissions)?

- Yes
- No
- Partially
- I don't know

Please explain:

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3. Based on your experience, to what extent has the GBER ensured public support for waste recycling while limiting the amount of aid to the minimum and limiting distortions of competition to the minimum?

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- To a large extent
- To some extent
- Not at all
- I don't know

Please explain:

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Pour favoriser l'économie circulaire, des efforts supplémentaires devraient être engagés pour faciliter la collecte et le traitement des déchets pour développer la filière biométhane

4. Based on your experience, to what extent has Article 39 GBER allowed aid through financial instruments for energy efficiency measures in buildings while limiting distortions of competition at the level of the financial intermediary and the funds involved?

-
- To a large extent
- To some extent
- Not at all
- I don't know

Please explain:

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Le projet de loi énergie-climat affiche des objectifs ambitieux dans ce domaine

5. Based on your experience, has State aid granted under the EEAG or the GBER generally achieved the relevant climate and environmental protection objectives while maintaining a competitive internal market?

- Yes
- No
- Partially
- I don't know

Please explain:

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6. Based on your experience, has State aid granted under the EEAG or the GBER generally achieved the relevant energy objectives while maintaining a competitive internal market?

- Yes
- No

