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from: General Secretariat of the Council  
to: Delegations

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Subject: Communication from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions  
- Making the internal energy market work  
= *Draft Council conclusions: tentative timetable*

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On 16 November 2012, the Commission presented the above Communication, together with accompanying Staff Working Documents. A first presentation in the Council Energy Working Party took place on 27 November. On 3 December, at the TTE (Energy) Council, the Commission presented the Communication, which formed a basis for the exchange of views on the topic "Follow-up to the European Council" <sup>1</sup>. This exchange of views took place in the context of the deadlines set by the European Council: "*Recalling the need to complete the internal energy market fully by 2014 (...) and to ensure that no Member State remains isolated from the European gas and electricity networks after 2015*".

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<sup>1</sup> On the basis of doc. 16203/12.

An in-depth discussion on the Communication is scheduled to take place at the TTE (Energy) Council on 22 February 2013.

The results of this discussion will feed into draft Council conclusions which will:

- a) contribute to the preparation of the European Council on Energy, held on 30 May 2013;
- b) be presented for adoption at the TTE (Energy) Council on 7 June 2013.

In due course, these conclusions will reflect the orientations set by the European Council.

Before circulating a first outline for draft conclusions, **delegations' comments on the Communication (16202/12) are invited by 18 January**. Delegations may also wish to appraise section 2.2 "The energy markets" of the report on the State of the Single Market Integration 2013 (17281/12)."

The provisional timetable in Annex sets out the main steps in the run up to the June 2013 TTE Council.

**PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE**

18 January 2013	deadline for comments on the Communication
22 January (afternoon)	WP ENER: Commission presentation on specific issues followed by discussion
22 February	<b>TTE discussion</b>
5 March	WP ENER: presentation of outline of conclusions / reactions
7 March	deadline for comments on outline
19 March	WP ENER: examination of 1st draft conclusions
21 March	deadline for comments on 1st draft
16 April	WP ENER: examination of 2nd draft conclusions
18 April	deadline for comments on 2nd draft
<b>23-24 April</b>	<b>Informal Energy Ministerial</b>
(Friday) 3 May	WP ENER: examination of 3rd draft conclusions
6 May	deadline for comments on 3rd draft
14 May	WP ENER: final examination of draft conclusions
<b>24 May</b>	<b>Coreper</b>
<b>30 May</b>	<b>European Council on Energy</b>
<b>7 June</b>	<b>TTE</b>