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Request for an explanation of the legal basis under EU law and for safeguarding of national environmental and protection obligations in connection with accelerated approval procedures for energy infrastructure ("European Grids Package")

As Norway is not a member of the EU, the process for assessing and adopting EU legal acts differs from member states'. EU legal acts are implemented in Norway following the incorporation of acts into the EEA Agreement, which covers many, but not all areas of EU cooperation.

As a part of this EEA-process Norway assesses EU legal acts that fall within the scope of the EEA Agreement prior to it being incorporated into the Agreement. In the case of the European Grids Package the Department of Energy is responsible. The Ministry has started a public consultation of the regulatory proposals which will serve as a basis for the Ministry's assessment of the legal acts in the further EEA process. Any responses to this consultation may be found on the ministry's web-page: <https://www.regjeringen.no/no/dokumenter/horing-av-regelverksforslagene-i-nettpakken-grids-package/id3144299/>

Yours sincerely



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