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Amprion launches market exploration for the decentralised grid booster

The transmission system operator Amprion is currently preparing the tender for the decentralised Bavarian Swabia grid booster. In order to receive initial non-binding offers, Amprion is now inviting interested parties to take part in a market exploration. Participation is possible from now until 17 July 2024.

Together with E.ON and LEW Verteilnetz (LVN), Amprion is planning to connect a network of battery modules to the distribution grid in Bavarian Swabia. The decentralised grid booster is to be implemented at five locations in LVN's grid area and will have a total capacity of 250 megawatts.

The aim is to increase the utilisation of power lines in the transmission grid and thus reduce the number of control interventions in grid operation. The economic costs of these so-called redispatch measures amount to several billion euros per year across all four control areas. Alongside the expansion of the grid, curbing redispatch is an important component of the energy transition.

Amprion calls for participation in the market exploration

Interested parties can view and download the rules for the market exploration and continuously updated information on the project on the following website:

https://www.amprion.net/netzbooster

In order to receive the detailed documents on the basis of which the nonbinding offer is to be prepared, interested parties must sign a confidentiality agreement in advance. This can be requested informally at the following e-mail address:

netzbooster@amprion.net

Amprion is currently planning to carry out the non-discriminatory and binding tender in accordance with Section 11a EnWG from summer 2024. The contract should be awarded during the course of the year if possible, but by spring 2025 at the latest. "We want to provide the market with comprehensive information now about the planned tender for a decentralised grid booster and our technical requirements to ensure the success of a binding tender," says project manager Marco Mastrippolito.

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