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## **Qualified enquiry**

Qualified enquiries for feed-in requests are addressed to Amprion in the form of a registered letter

The feed-in request must contain substantial information in accordance with Annex 1

Within two weeks following receipt of the qualified grid connection request or following receipt of the complete information, Amprion submits an offer for a feasibility study

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## Feasibility study

In particular, the study encompasses the following points:

- Grid evaluation of the connection options to the Amprion extra high-voltage grid
- Determination of the appropriate grid connection point
- Grid usage studies
- Determination of the measures and costs required to render the grid connection point suitable
- Review of other effects of the connection request on the grid
- If necessary, further grid usage studies based on scenarios provided by the connection prospect

Duration: 3 months following receipt of the advance payment

Chargeable for connection prospects

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## **Connection commitment, reservation of grid connection capacity**

Temporary reservation of the grid connection capacity at the appropriate grid connection point in the form of a connection commitment

The connection commitment is submitted on completion of the feasibility study

The connection commitment becomes valid via the payment of a reservation fee of €1000 per MW feed-in power

On implementation of the project, the reservation fee is offset against the grid connection costs

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## Schedules

A schedule for grid connection contract negotiations (negotiation schedule) must be drawn up within three months following the issue of the connection commitment

In accordance with the agreed negotiation schedule, the grid connection contract, which also contains binding framework data on the continued implementation of the grid connection and power plant (implementation schedule) must be concluded after a maximum of 12 months

On conclusion of the grid connection contract, the temporary connection commitment is transferred to a permanent connection commitment for the duration of the grid connection contract

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## Competing connection requests

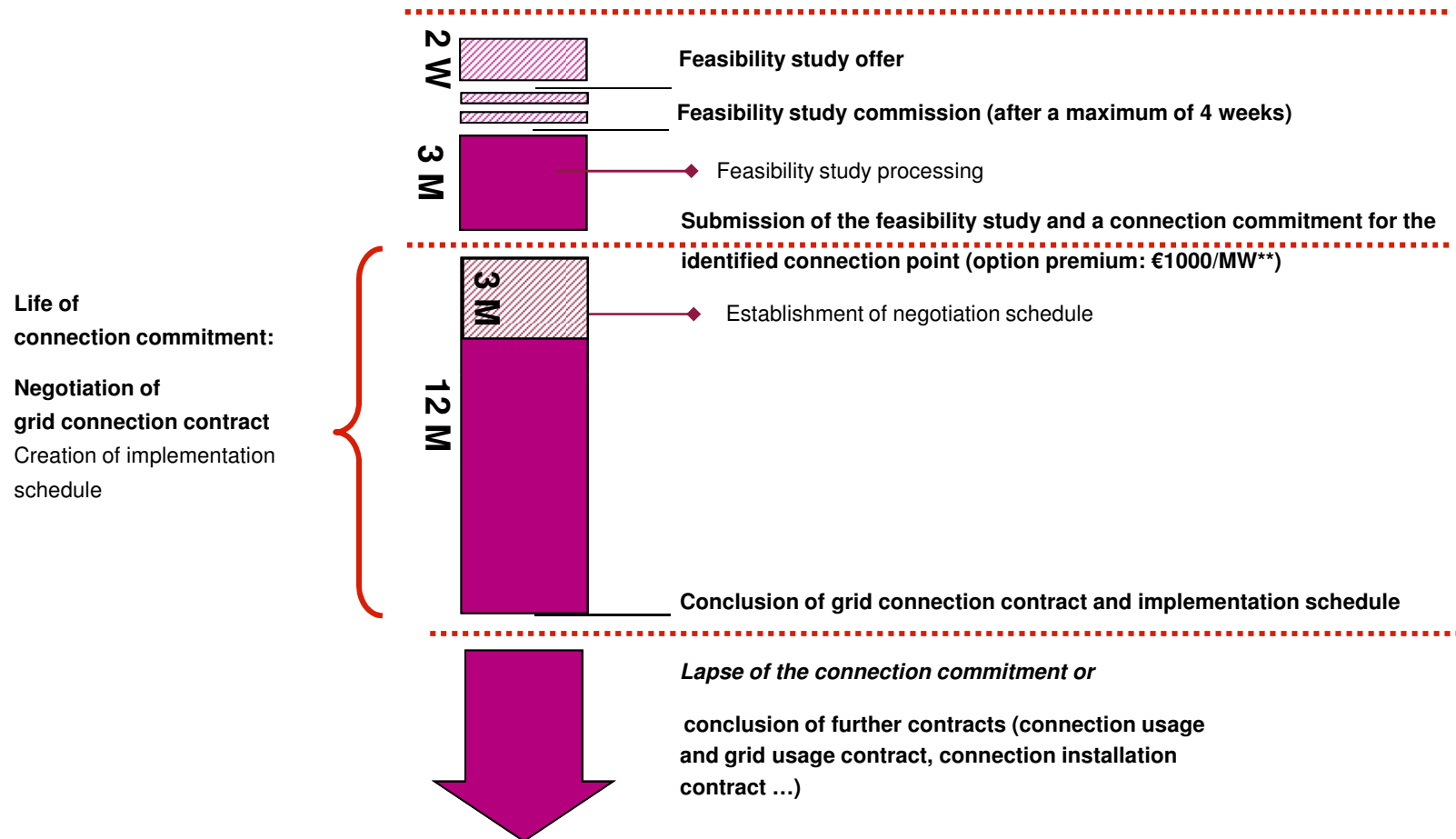
Competing grid connection requests exist if further qualified connection requests are addressed to Amprion and these affect each other in grid terms in such a way that not all connection requests can be implemented or subordinate inquiries with lower priorities lead to higher connection costs in relation to those inquiries which have been received earlier and have therefore been given priority

Consequence: A connection commitment is initially issued to the connection request which was submitted first, without consideration of the competing requests, insofar as the prerequisites are met

This priority lapses if the initial connection prospect's connection commitment expires without the conclusion of a grid connection contract or an implementation schedule in good time

# Procedural sequence overview

## Qualified enquiry\*



\*) Anonymous publication in the Internet

\*\*\*) Offset against grid connection costs

M = month, W = calendar week