



Designation procedure CNO Flanders

Information session 08-05-2025

About Flemish Utility Regulator

History

2001



Establishment of VREG
Electricity & gas

2017



Under the supervision
of the
Flemish Parliament

2024



CO2 networks



2015

Distribution network tariffs



2019

Heating networks



2025

Flemish Utility Regulator

Electricity & gas
Heating networks
CO2 networks
Water (from 2026)

Our tasks

1. REGULATE
tariff methodology,
technical regulations,
...

2. CONTROL
grid operators,
suppliers,
investment plans

3. ADVISE
Flemish Government,
Flemish Parliament

4. INFORM
website,
V-test®,
...

Designation procedure CNO Flanders | Role Flemish Utility Regulator

► Reasoned opinion on (4 out of 6) designation conditions

► *Which candidates are suitable?*

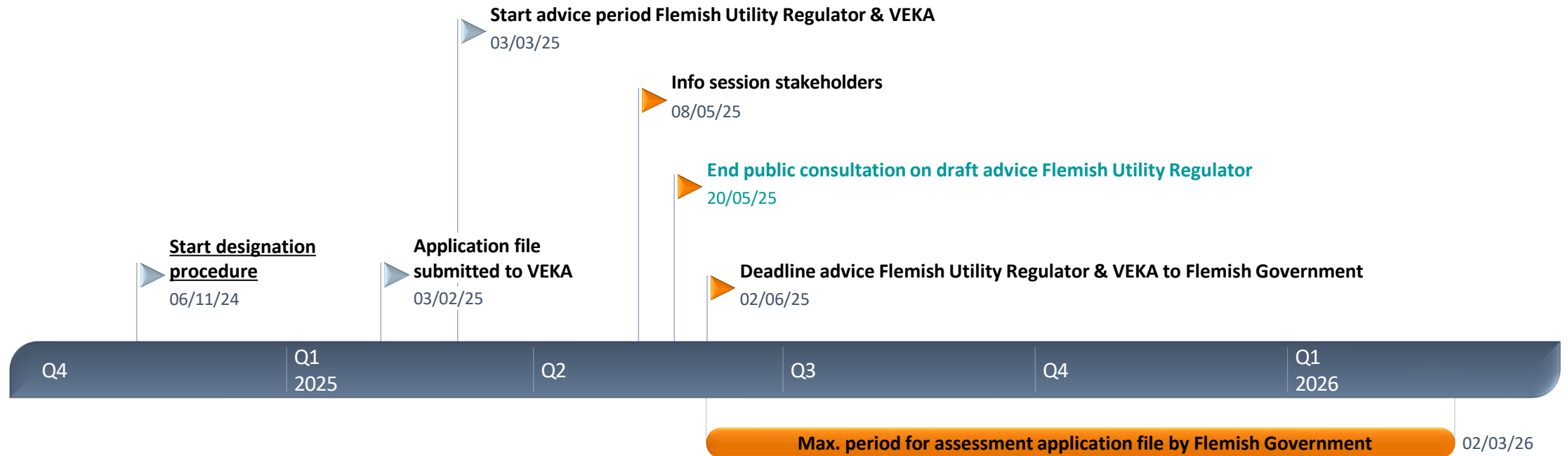
- Sufficient financial capacity
- Sufficient technical capacity
- Sufficient organisational capacity
- Sufficient professional reliability

► Non-binding opinion on (7 out of 9) designation criteria

► *Which candidate is most suitable?*

- Quality of development plan
- Quality of organisation and staff
- Extent of contractual engagements or letters of intent
- Experience in building and operating infrastructure for gaseous transportation with open access
- Extent of repurposing of existing pipelines
- Provided connections with other networks, incl. maintenance and interoperability
- Engagements regarding compatibility with other networks or infrastructure

Designation procedure CNO Flanders | Next steps



Designation procedure CNO Flanders | Public consultation

► Scope?

- (non-confidential) Draft version of the advice of the Flemish Utility Regulator, and
- (non-confidential) Application file of Fluxys c-grid.

► Objective?

- Collect relevant input of stakeholders on our advice and/or the application file, in addition to the opinion of the Flemish Utility Regulator.
- Transfer all responses to the Flemish Government, in order to allow the Flemish Government to make an informed decision on the designation.

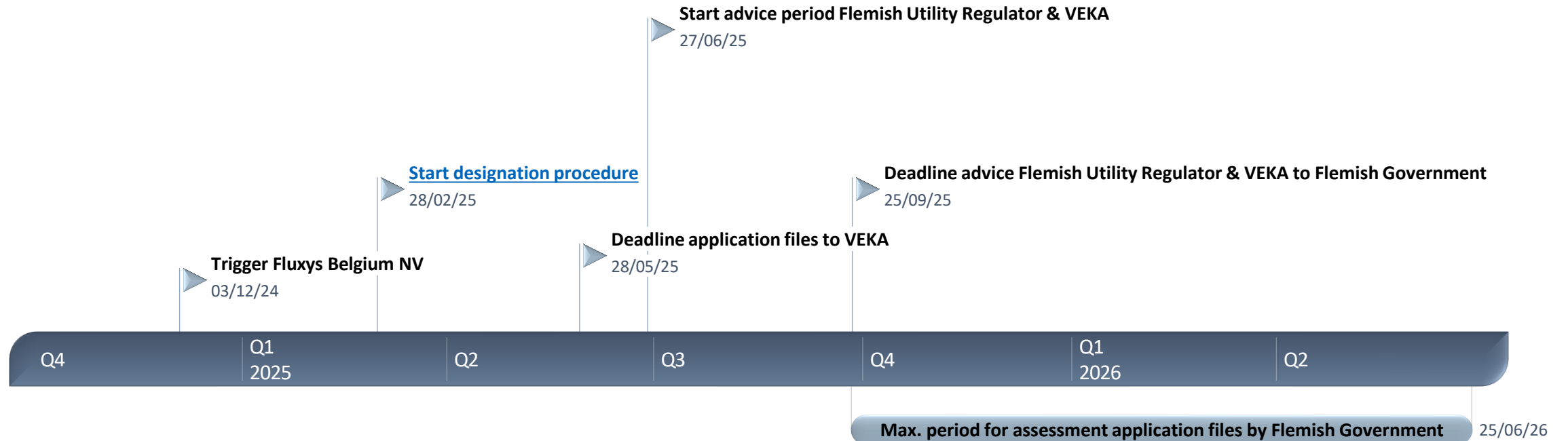
► Timing?

- Start – 8th May 2025
- End – 20th May 2025

► Details?

- Website ([link](#))
- Newsletter 'Sector' ([link](#))

Designation procedure LCNO port of Antwerp | Status



Regulatory framework | Main roles Flemish Utility Regulator

- ▶ **Advice** on **designation** of CNO and LCNO
- ▶ **Advice** on approval by Flemish Government of **development plans** (bi-annual) of CNO and LCNO
- ▶ **Adoption of draft technical regulation(s)** for CNO and LCNO (approval by Flemish Government)
- ▶ **Approval of tariffs** (bi-annual) of CNO and LCNO

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