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Magenta Electrical substation: open day for local residents comes to a close

- Terna, the Italian grid operator, thanks all those who took part
- During the day, focus and discussions on the environmental benefits for the area resulting from the project

Roma, 14 October 2015 –With public participation which exceeded all expectations, the meeting organised by Terna at the Municipal Offices in Magenta to present the plan for the new 380 kV Magenta electrical substation and the corresponding rationalisation was brought to a close. During the day, technical experts and planners from Terna, presented the local residents with the motivation behind the project and the features of the works, taking time to talk in detail about the areas which were of most interest, such as environmental impact and health-and-safety aspects.

Particular interest and appreciation was shown by the residents of the Municipality of Magenta in relation to the clear environmental and social benefits arising from the demolition of the old power lines that cross the residential areas. In fact, once the entire rationalisation project has been completed with more than 6 kilometres of underground power lines being laid, it will be possible for more than 5.6 km of existing overhead lines to be eliminated. With regards to the implementation phase, while the cables are being laid, Terna undertakes to do its very best to limit any disruption and ensure the normal flow of traffic, while the environmental impact on the areas concerned by the work sites at the end of the project will be practically zero. Terna also points out that the substation will be built in full compliance with the electric and magnetic field values permitted by current legislation (PMD 8 July 2003, in implementation of Law 36/2001) which are amongst the most restrictive in the world.

The day ended with a number of requests for further information and comments made by residents delivered to the dedicated mail box and also made during the meeting itself, further evidence of the interest and involvement of the public in the initiatives and works for the area. Terna would like to thank the local community for having taken part in the day as well





as for the productive meeting and can confirm that it will send out responses to all queries within 15 days.



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MAGENTA ELECTRICAL SUBSTATION: TERNA HOLDS AN INFO DAY FOR THE LOCAL POPULATION

• The Company's technicians were available to provide information on the rationalisation of the Electricity Grid in the Municipality of Magenta

Rome, 7 October 2015 – An open door for local residents, Wednesday 14 October from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the eighteenth-century Villa *"Casa Giacobbe"* in Magenta, an occasion for dialogue and analysis of the project that will involve the territory of the Municipality of Magenta. During the day, the Terna technicians provided information and answered any questions regarding the works to create the new 380 kV section of the Magenta Electrical Substation and the associated rationalisation activities.

The initiative arose from the desire to continue a process of constructive dialogue with the community, involving the local population with the objective of giving them an understanding of the technical aspects, in some cases complex, of a project of national and European significance, indispensable for increasing the security and quality of the electrical service.

During the day, the Terna technicians accompanied the local residents along an ideal route with thematic stands explaining the project in question. Each stand was devoted to a particular subject of public interest: reasons for, and characteristics and benefits of the work, health, and the process of consultation and authorisation with local authorities. People were able to present questions and observations filling in and handing over a request form to which the Company will respond within 15 days.

For further information visit the Terna website (<u>www.terna.it</u>), where there is an area dedicated to the planning documentation. Any questions and observations can be sent to the dedicated e-mail address (<u>razionalizzazione.rtnmagenta@terna.it</u>), and a reply will be provided within 15 days.

Specifically, the project involves the creation of a new 380 kV section of the existing Magenta Electrical Substation as well as the related transforming and short connections to the "Turbigo – Baggio" 380 kV power line. Also planned, at the same time, is the restructuring of the 132 kV grid in the Magenta area, with the almost complete burial of the power lines. The project, which is fundamental for increasing the reliability, security and quality of the Electricity Grid service in the area, will produce significant environmental and social benefits. At the end of the planned operations the territory will in fact be freed from roughly 6 kilometres of old overhead lines mainly present in urbanised areas.

