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Solicitation of Comments on the Draft Bridging Documents between the National Standards of the People's Republic of China: the Classification for Resources/Reserves of Solid Fuels and Mineral Commodities (GB/T 17766-1999) and the Classification for Petroleum Resources/Reserves (GB/T 19492-2004), and the United Nations Framework Classification for Resources.

The UNECE Expert Group on Resource Classification (EGRC) is pleased to present for public comment the draft Bridging Documents between the National Standards of the People's Republic of China: the Classification for Resources/Reserves of Solid Fuels and Mineral Commodities (GB/T 17766-1999) and the Classification for Petroleum Resources/Reserves (GB/T 19492-2004), and the United Nations Framework Classification for Resources (UNFC). The draft documents were prepared by the Ministry of Land Resources (MLR), the People's Republic of China, in cooperation with the EGRC Technical Advisory Group.

Applying to all energy and mineral activities worldwide, UNFC provides a robust framework for compiling and communicating expert knowledge on the evidence of quantities and the socio-economic context. The draft Bridging Documents explain the relationship between the National Standards of the People's Republic of China (GB/T 17766-1999 and GB/T 19492-2004) and UNFC and incorporate instructions and guidelines on how to classify estimates using the UNFC Numerical Codes.

The draft Bridging Documents are issued for public comments to receive input from all stakeholders to ensure the development of robust documents. The public comment period will run from 15 February until 15 April 2018. Comments may be provided via e-mail or mail. Full details are available on the UNECE website at www.unece.org/energy/se/reserves.html.

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