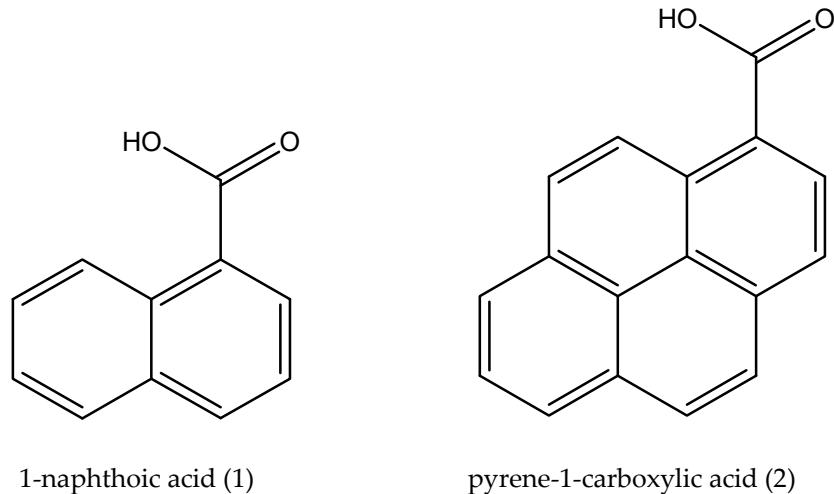


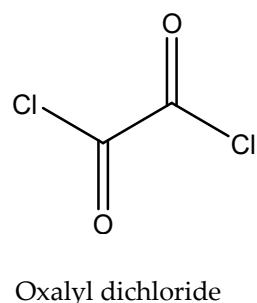
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**Scheme S1.** N,N-diethylamide derivatives (1)-(4) synthesis by Oxalyl Chloride

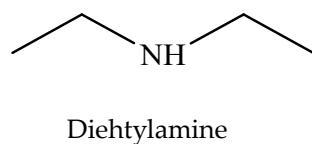
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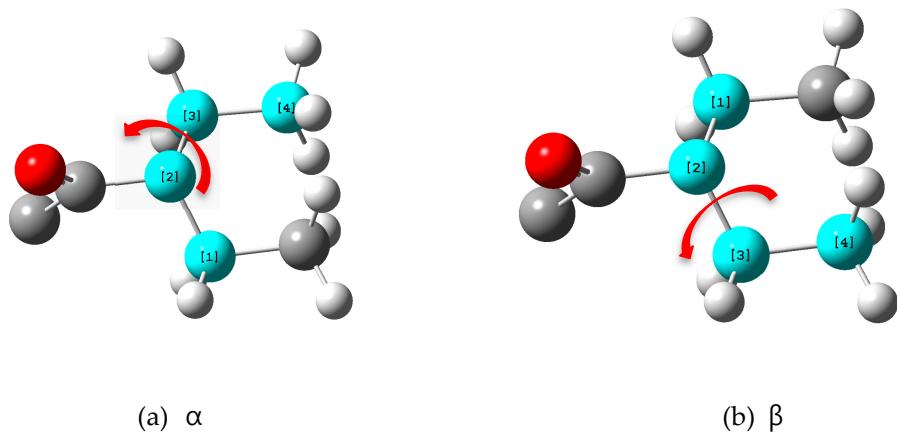
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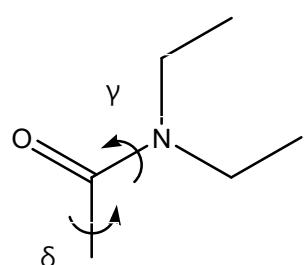
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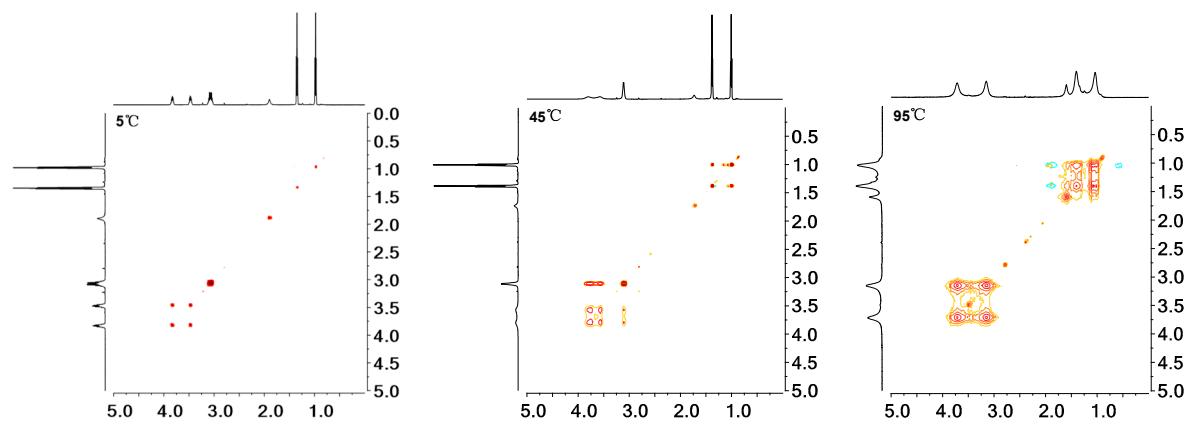


**Scheme S2.** Varying the Dihedral angle of C-C-N-C ( $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ) on Aryl-CO bond and N-C bond.

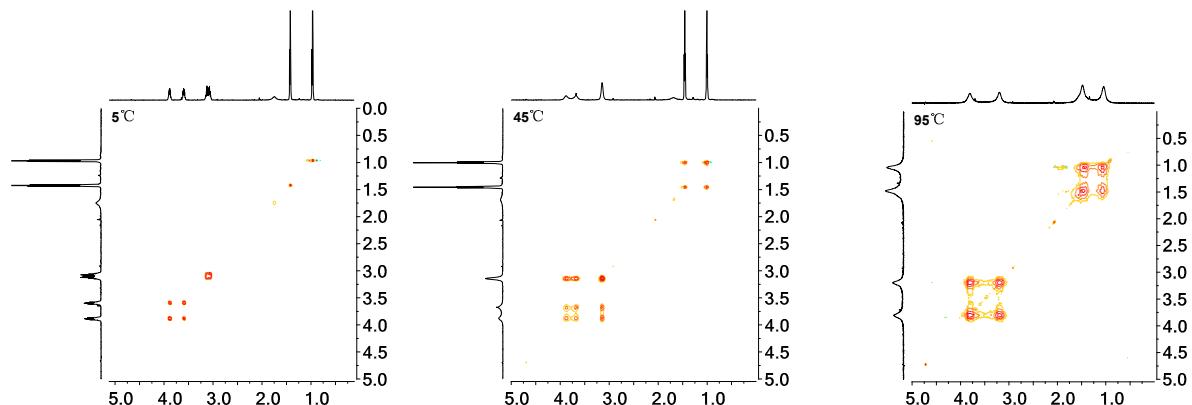


**Scheme S3.** Angles of Amide Structure



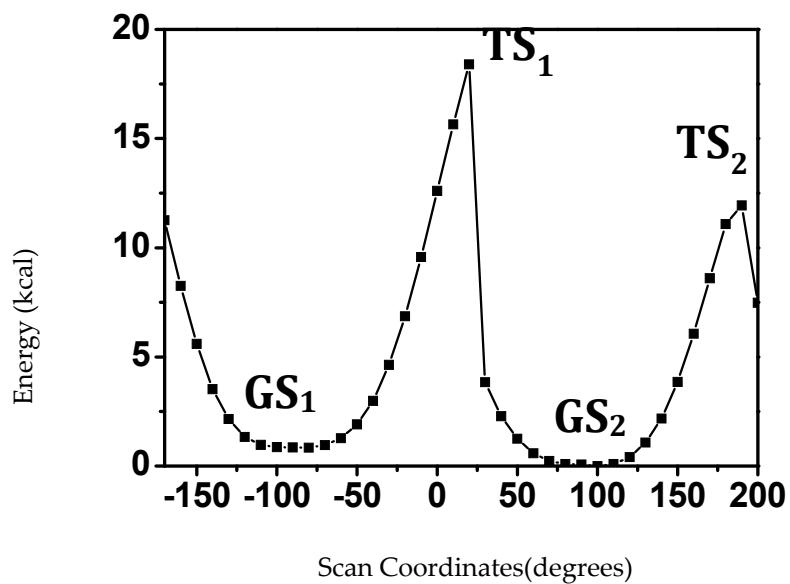


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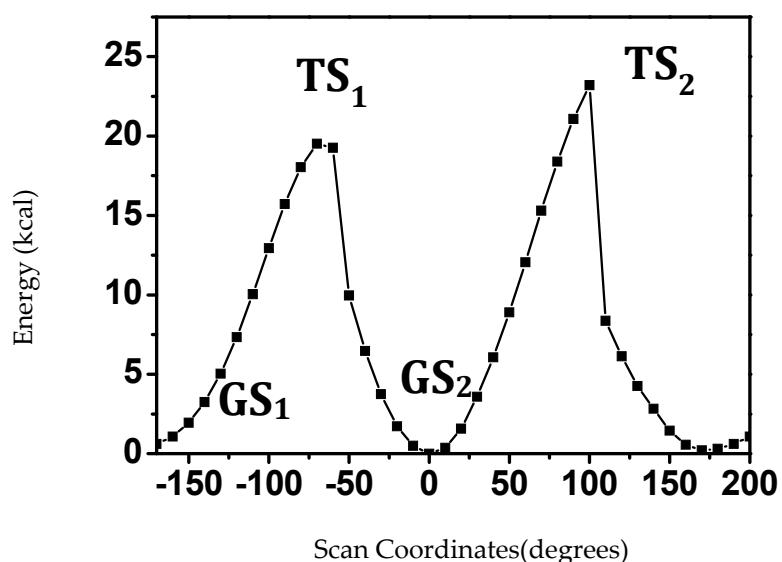


PCDEA

**Figure S1.** 2D-EXSY spectra of N,N-diethylamide derivates (1),(2) (in unit of ppm in chemical shifts)

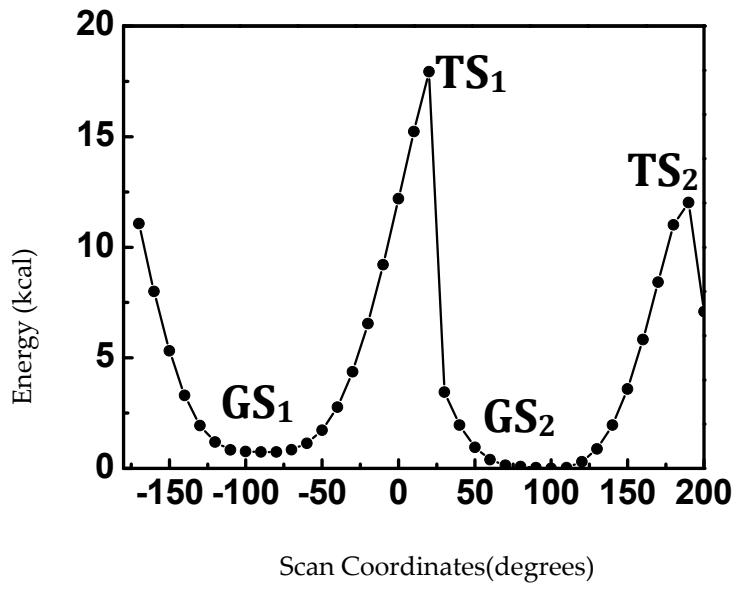


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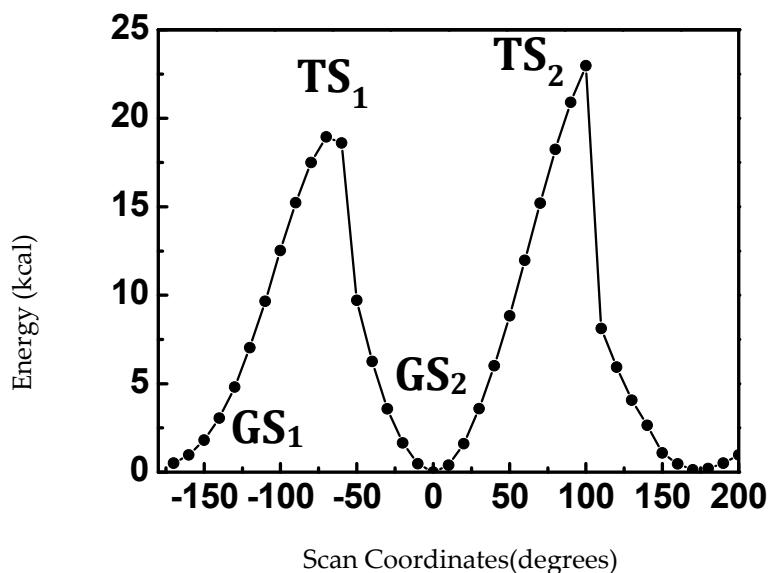


(b) C-N rotation

**Figure S2.** The Potential Energy Surface Graph of Aryl-CO (a) and C-N (b) rotation on NCDEA



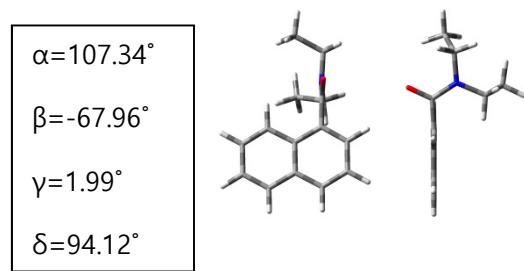
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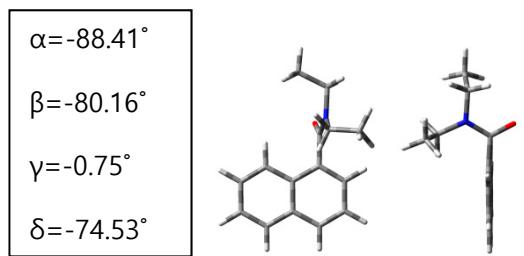
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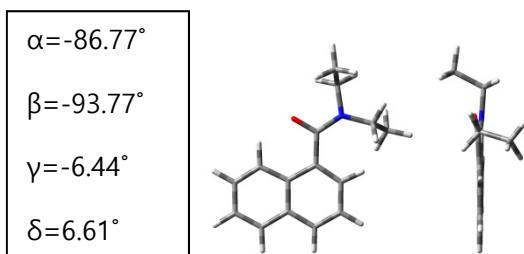
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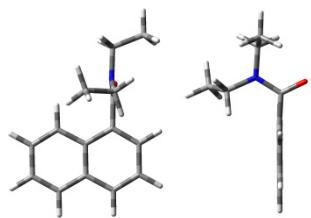
TS2 (QST3)



Aryl-CO bond

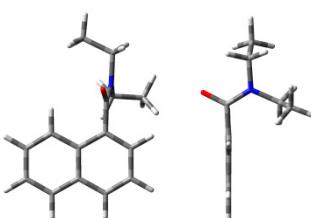
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 $\delta=-91.81^\circ$



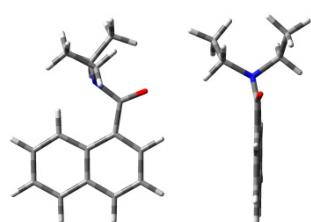
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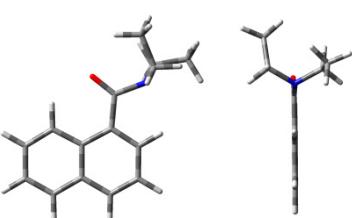
TS1 (QST3)

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 $\delta=-170.83^\circ$



TS2 (QST3)

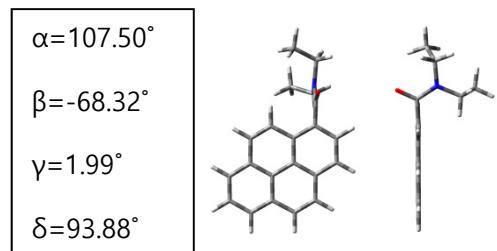
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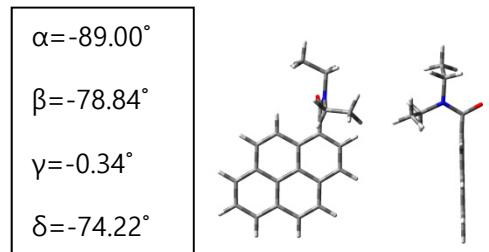
C-N bond

NCDEA

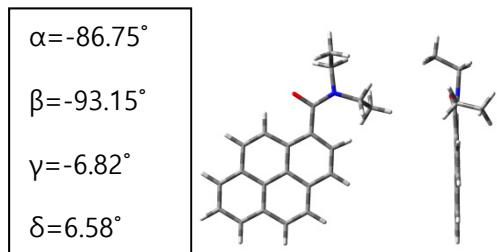
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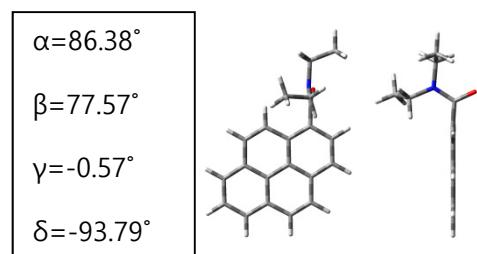


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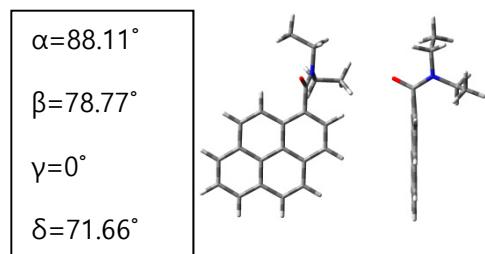


Aryl-CO bond

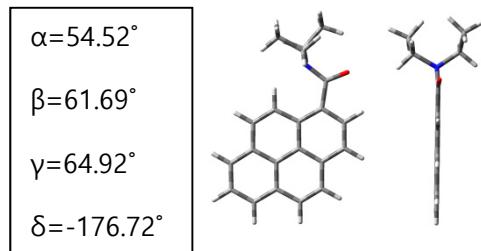
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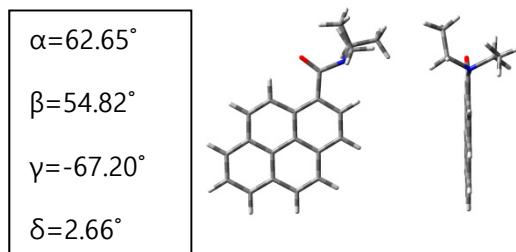
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TS1 (QST3)



TS2 (QST3)

**C-N bond****PCDEA**

**Figure S4.** Structure of ground state and transition states (QST3) of Aryl-CO bond and C-N bond in NCDEA and PCDEA

## Table

**Table S1.** Comparisons of Gibbs Free energy of Variable Temperature  $^1\text{H}$  NMR with those of Scan coordinates calculated with gaussian09 program

Compound	Bond	. Variable Temperature	
		$\Delta G^\ddagger/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	Gaussian09 (Scan coordinates*)
NCDEA	C-N	18.00	20.63/23.13
	/ Aryl-CO		
PCDEA	Aryl-CO	15.40	20.10/13.96
	C-N	17.65	19.55/23.13
PCDEA	/ Aryl-CO		
	Aryl-CO	15.62	18.93/13.11

\*Two Transition states are assumed in Scan coordinates

**Table S2.** The imaginary frequency on NCDEA and PCDEA

Compound	Aryl-CO bond rotation		The concerted Aryl-CO/C-N bond rotation	
	1TS	2TS	1TS	2TS
		(QST3)	(QST3)	(QST3)
NCDEA	None	-62.87	-78.23	-72.11
PCDEA	None	-60.53	-81.77	-73.34

\*(in unit of  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )

**Table S3.** Experimental and Theoretical Gibbs free energy of Aryl-CO bond in NCDEA

2TS

Experimental Analysis		Theoretical Analysis
(Variable Temperature $^1\text{H}$ NMR)		(Gaussian09 program)
$\Delta G^\ddagger/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	2TS	$\Delta G^\ddagger/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$
	Scan coordinates	13.96
	QST3 optimization	14.24
15.40	Di-ethyl rotation 11	14.24
	Di-ethyl rotation 12	14.89
	Di-ethyl rotation 13	14.89
	Di-ethyl rotation 21	15.19
	Di-ethyl rotation 22	Not Corresponding to Aryl-CO bond because of the number of frequency
	Di-ethyl rotation 23	Not Corresponding to Aryl-CO bond because of the number of frequency
	Di-ethyl rotation 31	15.19
	Di-ethyl rotation 32	Not Corresponding to Aryl-CO bond because of the number of frequency
	Di-ethyl rotation 33	Not Corresponding to Aryl-CO bond because of the number of frequency

\*Di-ethyl rotation (1: -60° 2: 60° 3: 180°)

**Table S4.** Experimental and Theoretical Gibbs free energy of Aryl-CO bond in PCDEA

2TS

Experimental Analysis		Theoretical Analysis
(Variable Temperature $^1\text{H}$ NMR)		(Gaussian09 program)
$\Delta G^\ddagger/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	2TS	$\Delta G^\ddagger/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$
	Scan coordinates	13.11
	QST3 optimization	13.52
	Di-ethyl rotation 11	13.52
	Di-ethyl rotation 12	Not Corresponding to Aryl-CO bond because of the number of frequency
	Di-ethyl rotation 13	15.74
15.62	Di-ethyl rotation 21	14.37
	Di-ethyl rotation 22	13.38
	Di-ethyl rotation 23	13.38
	Di-ethyl rotation 31	14.37
	Di-ethyl rotation 32	13.38
	Di-ethyl rotation 33	13.52

\*Di-ethyl rotation (1: -60° 2: 60° 3: 180°)

**Table S5.** Structure data of 2TS (diethyl-rotated conformers) of Aryl-CO bond in NCDEA and PCDEA

## (a) NCDEA

	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$
Di-ethyl rotation 11	-86.76°	-93.77°		
Di-ethyl rotation 12	-110.53°	-92.93°	-6.44°	6.61°
Di-ethyl rotation 13	110.55°	-92.92°		
Di-ethyl rotation 21	-85.48°	102.07°		
Di-ethyl rotation 22		Not Corresponding to Aryl-CO bond because of the number of frequency		
Di-ethyl rotation 23		Not Corresponding to Aryl-CO bond because of the number of frequency		
Di-ethyl rotation 31	-85.51°	102.06°	-6.44°	6.61°
Di-ethyl rotation 32		Not Corresponding to Aryl-CO bond because of the number of frequency		
Di-ethyl rotation 33		Not Corresponding to Aryl-CO bond because of the number of frequency		

(b) PCDEA

	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$
Di-ethyl rotation 11	-86.75°	-93.13°	-6.82°	6.58°
Di-ethyl rotation 12	Not Corresponding to Aryl-CO bond because of the number of frequency			
Di-ethyl rotation 13	111.62°	-91.95°		
Di-ethyl rotation 21	-85.23°	102.80°		
Di-ethyl rotation 22	96.94°	97.95°		
Di-ethyl rotation 23	96.95°	97.95°	-6.82°	6.58°
Di-ethyl rotation 31	-85.24°	102.79°		
Di-ethyl rotation 32	96.93°	97.96°		
Di-ethyl rotation 33	-86.75°	-93.13°		

**Table S6.** Experimental and Theoretical Gibbs free energy of C-N bond in NCDEA

Experimental Analysis		Theoretical Analysis
(Variable Temperature $^1\text{H}$ NMR)		(Gaussian09 program)
$\Delta G^\ddagger/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	2TS	$\Delta G^\ddagger/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$
	QST3 optimization	17.16
18.00	Di-ethyl rotation 11	17.09
	Di-ethyl rotation 12	17.39
	Di-ethyl rotation 13	16.09
	Di-ethyl rotation 21	20.04
	Di-ethyl rotation 22	17.16
	Di-ethyl rotation 23	17.32
	Di-ethyl rotation 31	17.29
	Di-ethyl rotation 32	16.23
	Di-ethyl rotation 33	16.66

**Table S7.** Experimental and Theoretical Gibbs free energy of C-N bond in PCDEA

Experimental Analysis		Theoretical Analysis
(Variable Temperature $^1\text{H}$ NMR)		(Gaussian09 program)
$\Delta G^\ddagger/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	2TS	$\Delta G^\ddagger/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$
	QST3 optimization	17.04
17.65	Di-ethyl rotation 11	17.26
	Di-ethyl rotation 12	17.40
	Di-ethyl rotation 13	15.97
	Di-ethyl rotation 21	19.92
	Di-ethyl rotation 22	17.04
	Di-ethyl rotation 23	17.01
	Di-ethyl rotation 31	17.08
	Di-ethyl rotation 32	16.27
	Di-ethyl rotation 33	16.50

**Table S8.** Structure data of 2TS (diethyl-rotated conformers) of C-N bond in NCDEA and PCDEA

(a) NCDEA

2TS	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$
Di-ethyl rotation 11	-62.56	-55.44		
Di-ethyl rotation 12	-107.51	66.54		
Di-ethyl rotation 13	-74.00	166.48		
Di-ethyl rotation 21	60.67	-83.47		
Di-ethyl rotation 22	54.84	62.81	64.99	1.94
Di-ethyl rotation 23	58.32	162.98		
Di-ethyl rotation 31	-162.34	-58.61		
Di-ethyl rotation 32	-167.59	73.31		
Di-ethyl rotation 33	-167.43	167.37		

(b) PCDEA

2TS	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$
Di-ethyl rotation 11	-63.11	-55.18		
Di-ethyl rotation 12	-112.10	67.43		
Di-ethyl rotation 13	-74.21	166.13		
Di-ethyl rotation 21	60.81	-83.58		
Di-ethyl rotation 22	54.81	62.67	-67.20	2.66
Di-ethyl rotation 23	58.61	162.94		
Di-ethyl rotation 31	-164.09	-58.92		
Di-ethyl rotation 32	-166.84	73.75		
Di-ethyl rotation 33	-167.40	167.75		

**Table S9.** Structure data of TS of the concerted Aryl-CO/C-N bond in NCDEA and PCDEA

Experimental Analysis 2D (Variable Temperature $^1\text{H}$ NMR)		Theoretical Analysis (Gaussian09 program)
$\Delta G^\ddagger/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$	TS	$\Delta G^\ddagger/\text{kcal}\cdot\text{mol}^{-1}$
18.00	NCDEA	17.02
17.65	PCDEA	16.73

**Table S10.** Structure data of TS of the concerted Aryl-CO/C-N bond of 2D PES in NCDEA and PCDEA

TS	$\alpha$	$\beta$	$\gamma$	$\delta$
NCDEA	54.76	63.28	69.99	-1.81
PCDEA	53.11	62.92	69.99	6.21

**Table S11.** Electron density of rotating bond

		Electron density( $ e /\text{Bohr}^3$ )
NCDEA	aryl-CO	GS 0.2562
		2TS 0.2472
	C-N/aryl-CO	GS 0.3127
		2TS 0.2845
PCDEA	Aryl-CO	GS 0.2557
		2TS 0.2478
	C-N/aryl-CO	GS 0.3121
		2TS 0.2840