



Balancing

Report on consultation over CBA for Balancing Information Provision

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CONTEXT

- Between 10 December 2018 and 9 January 2019, Fluxys Belgium organized a market consultation on a Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA) over Balancing Data Information provision.
 - *Article 38 of the Commission Regulation (EU) No 213/2014 of 26 March 2014 establishing a Network Code on Gas Balancing of Transmission Networks (BAL NC) requires Transmission System Operators (TSOs) to perform a Cost Benefit Analysis of their Balancing Data Information provision.*
 - More specifically, the article requires TSOs to assess the costs and benefits of
 - » Increasing the frequency of information provision to networks users
 - » Reducing the related timelines of information provision
 - » Improving the accuracy of the information provided
- After describing the information provision system available in BeLux, Fluxys Belgium came to the conclusion that
 - *The current implementation of the provisions of the network code on balancing regarding information provision (frequency and timeline) places Belgium among the best systems in Europe. Furthermore, as indicated in the report about Forecasting Accuracy, forecasts in Belgium are reliable. Therefore, Fluxys Belgium proposes to keep its systems in the current state and does not suggest any additional developments relating to the provision of information.*

MARKET CONSULTATION

- In the consultation Fluxys Belgium asked whether Network Users shared its conclusion of the assessment of the system and whether Network Users had identified potential enhancements. In such case, Fluxys Belgium asked the Network Users for the expected benefits and costs of these enhancements
- The market consultation was sent to 299 Network Users and published on Fluxys Belgium's website
- 2 Network users and 1 Representing Organisation sent a response to the market consultation
 - Essent
 - ENI
 - FEBEG

SUMMARY OF MARKET CONSULTATION ANSWERS (1/2)

- Do you share Fluxys Belgium analysis of the Data information Provision system applicable in BeLux?

Yes	No	N/A	Comments
3	0	0	Belgium – together with the Netherlands – has one of the most sophisticated and well-functioning mechanisms for balancing data provision. On top of that, the provided information is binding for balancing purposes. So, FEBEG sees no reason to modify the balancing data provision and has therefore no comments or suggestions. FEBEG has only to congratulate Fluxys with the balancing data provision which is the result of Fluxys continuous efforts to improve its services.

- If no, could you detail the enhancements that should according to you be brought to the BeLux system?

N/A	Other	Comments
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SUMMARY OF MARKET CONSULTATION ANSWERS (2/2)

- What benefits (qualitative and quantitative - in €/year) related to these enhancements do you anticipate ?

N/A	Other
2	All market participants should be given the opportunity to comment the benefits of the proposed enhancements

- Would you be ready to pay for these enhancements?

Yes	No	N/A	Other
0	1	1	All market participants should be given the opportunity to comment their willingness to pay for the proposed enhancements

- Would these enhancements require investments on your side ?

Yes	No	N/A	Other
0	0	2	All market participants should be given the opportunity to comment their assessment of the required expenses for the proposed enhancements

- What would be the level of these expenses (in €/year)?

N/A	Other
2	All market participants should be given the opportunity to comment their estimation of the level of expenses for the proposed enhancements

ANALYSIS OF THE RESPONSES TO MARKET CONSULTATION AND CONCLUSION

- Few Network Users and Representing Organisations responded to the market consultation, Fluxys Belgium interprets this as an implicit sign that Network Users and Representing Organisations are satisfied by the Balancing Data Information provision in BeLux and do not require enhancements
- The 3 answers received from Network Users and Representing Organisation confirm the conclusion of Fluxys Belgium that no further enhancement to the Balancing Data Information provision is needed

Based on this market consultation, Fluxys Belgium concludes that no further enhancement to the Balancing Data Information provision is currently required