

Consultation on proposed adaptations of transmission services Brussels, June 6, 2016

In a continuous effort to further improve its service offering, Fluxys Belgium is proposing adjustments to its transmission Services with a focus on (i) integrating Hub Services into the Standard Transmission Agreement and related Access Code for Transmission, (ii) introducing the possibility to subscribe within-day capacities on IP Zeebrugge Beach and (iii) extending the possibilities to use PRISMA for secondary market purposes.

1. Hub Services integration into the Standard Transmission Agreement

Following the decision to bring Hub Services under the scope of regulated transmission services and the associated take-over of Huberator services by Fluxys Belgium in 2015, the Hub Services Agreement (HSA) will be fully integrated into the Standard Transmission Agreement (STA). The integration has been realized by amending all necessary clauses of STA and Access Code for Transmission (ACT) in order to include the main elements of the former HSA. The major contractual aspects such as Force Majeure, Liabilities or Credit Worthiness are found in the STA Attachment 2 (General Conditions). The description of the hub services is found in ACT Attachment A, while the rules regarding their subscription is found in ACT Attachment B with associated subscription form in ACT Attachment G. The former "Operating Procedures" have been incorporated into ACT Attachment C1.

The effective contractual transition will take place once this amended version will have been approved by CREG.

2. Within-day capacity services on IP Zeebrugge Beach

Following several requests from stakeholders and CREG, Fluxys Belgium proposes to enable the possibility to subscribe within-day entry and exit services (balance of day products only) on IP Zeebrugge Beach. This possibility will be enabled on Fluxys Belgium's Electronic Booking System where day-ahead capacities are already available today.

3. Assignment possibilities via PRISMA

Following the request of several stakeholders, Fluxys Belgium intends to enable the possibility for Grid Users to trade capacity services on PRISMA for all type of secondary market transactions, both Transfer or Use and Full Assignments. OCT reporting via manual forms to Fluxys Belgium remains possible. In both cases (PRISMA or Manual), in order to ensure proper REMIT reporting, the initial contract reference is a necessary information to correctly process and register the secondary market transaction.

4. Technical improvements

Next to the abovementioned changes, several textual adjustments have been realized in order to improve the readability of the text, such as moving "interpretation" clauses from each attachment of the ACT into the main document, removing reference to ancillary IT system "webtrack" or improving the consistency of IP naming convention.

The identification of the actual gas price reference used for several billing purposes has been removed from the ACT in order to enable a more flexible change process, needed to ensure the relevancy for such price. The applicable reference will be defined on the website and changes will be subject to 1 month pre-notice period.

The missing ARS allocation agreement, describing how metered flow is divided across Network Users for balancing purposes is now fully included in the ACT Attachment C1.

Finally several descriptions have been added with regards to maintenance planning, monthly reporting or direct line services to ensure current practices are contractually described.