

Consultation 27 bis : Diversion Service Brussels, 21 March 2018

During consultation 27, several market participants have suggested Fluxys Belgium to introduce a new “Diversion Service” enabling shippers to transfer (part of) an existing capacity contract on one Interconnection Point to another Interconnection point at the same network location.

Considering that (i) Fluxys Belgium has indeed in its model several interconnection points that are considered as part of the same location from a capacity simulation point of view (namely Zelzate 1 and Zelzate 2, Eynatten 1 and Eynatten 2, and all Zeebrugge area interconnection points), that are connected by wheeling or zeeplatform services, (ii) Fluxys offered such similar options before the entry into force of the CAM NC, and (iii) the mechanism developed in the framework of the Reshuffling and L/H Capacity Switch service opens up the possibility to offer a CAM compliant solution, Fluxys Belgium sees an opportunity to develop such a Diversion Service together with the other Substitution Services.

The current consultation 27 bis aims at giving the opportunity to all market participants to react on that proposal. Please find hereafter the elements that Fluxys Belgium proposes to add into the regulatory documents to describe this new additional Diversion Service. Market participants are invited to send their written comments on this proposal by 30 March 2018 COB at marketing@fluxys.com.

STA – Attachment 3 – Glossary of definitions

2. Definitions

“**Diversion Service**” shall mean a Transmission Service that enables Grid Users to divert (part of) its existing unbundled Entry or Exit Services on an Interconnection Point to another Interconnection Point at the same grid location as set out in ACT – Attachment A.

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3.8.4 Diversion service

The diversion service, offered prior to all monthly, quarterly and yearly auctions on PRISMA, enables grid users holding unbundled entry or exit capacity at specific interconnection points to transfer (part of) that capacity to another interconnection point at the same grid location in accordance with the conditions set forth in the access code for transmission.

1.2 List of definitions

$MTSR_{DS,f}$ Maximum Transmission Services Right eligible for Diversion Service as provided for in section 0.

3.8.4 Diversion Service

Only unbundled Firm and Backhaul Entry and Exit Transmission Services are eligible for Diversion Service. OCUC and Wheeling Transmission Services are not eligible for Diversion Service.

The Diversion Service is offered prior to each monthly, quarterly and yearly auction, free of charge, to Grid Users willing to transfer Transmission Services during the considered period between the following Interconnection Points that are at the same grid location :

- Zelzate 1 and Zelzate 2
- Eynatten 1 and Eynatten 2
- Zeebrugge, Zeebrugge LNG Terminal, ZPT and IZT

The eligible MTSR for Diversion Service $MTSR_{DS,f}$ on an Interconnection Point, in one direction, corresponds to the smallest $MTSR_{d,f}$ on that Interconnection Point and in that direction on the considered period.

In the framework of the Diversion Service, TSO shall offer to the Grid User holding $MTSR_{DS,f}$ on an Interconnection Point the possibility to transfer its existing Firm or Backhaul Transmission Services during the considered period under the strict conditions that:

- Grid User subscribes new Transmission Services on another applicable Interconnection Point for the considered period. Such new Transmission Services shall have the same direction than the existing Transmission Services to be diverted and generate equivalent monthly capacity fees for TSO (based on tariffs applicable at the time of the allocation and without taking into account any premium due by Grid User for a given auction); and
- Grid User surrenders the existing Transmission Services to be diverted for the considered period according to ACT-Attachment E.

For the avoidance of doubt, if the Grid User did not manage to acquire the requested new Transmission Services but the TSO was able to reallocate (part of) the existing Transmission Services under the conditions of the Surrender process, the Grid User shall be released from the rights and obligations of (such part of) its existing Transmission Services under the Surrender process, including applicable tariff due (ACT- Attachment E).

ACT – Attachment B – Subscription & Allocation of Services

3.6.5.4 Diversion Service

In the framework of the Diversion Service, only capacity with a standard yearly, quarterly or monthly Service Period can be diverted from one Interconnection Point to another Interconnection Point at the same grid location as described in ACT-Attachment A.

Grid User can send a Diversion Request in written (letter, fax, email), at the latest 5 business days prior to the publication period of the relevant auction, using a Diversion Service Request Form as published on the Fluxys Belgium website. The Service Request shall specify the requested diversion for each existing Transmission Service individually.

If complete, the Diversion Request is considered as binding to the Grid User meaning that:

- The new Transmission Services will have to be acquired on the requested Interconnection Points with one individual subscription for each requested transfer ; and
- The existing Transmission Services to be diverted are deemed surrendered according to ACT – Attachment E. As a consequence, no specific surrender request (written or via PRISMA) needs to be sent to TSO in the framework of the Diversion Service.

For the avoidance of doubt, capacity that is assigned with retained payment obligation cannot be transferred under the Diversion Service by the assignor nor the assignee.

Diversion shall be allocated at the latest 7 Business Days after the closing of the relevant auction on PRISMA. Diversion Service Requests are allocated insofar as Grid User has managed to acquire the requested new Transmission Services on PRISMA for the considered period. If Grid User did not subscribe fully the requested new Transmission Services on PRISMA for the considered period on the requested Interconnection Point, TSO will allocate the Diversion Service with the effectively subscribed quantity during that period, pro-rata between the existing Transmission Services to be diverted to that Interconnection Point.