

Annex 3

OPERATING MANUAL of Fluxys Deutschland GmbH

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Section 1 General

This Operating Manual is an integral part of the General Terms & Conditions for Entry/Exit contracts of Fluxys Deutschland GmbH (“**GTC**”).

Fluxys Deutschland GmbH is hereinafter referred to as "**Fluxys D**".

To ensure proper handling of transmission, each network operator within the transmission chain shall receive information on the quantities to be transported.

For the purpose of exchanging data (e.g. process data, billing data, transmission route, transmission system, etc.) a standardized message format is used.

In addition to the standardized procedures for nomination in accordance with Section 13a para. 2 GTC, Fluxys D offers alternative ways of communication upon request. The costs for setting up an alternative way of communication shall be paid by the shipper.

The unit used for all energy quantities is kWh/h.

As far as no deviant regulations are made in this document, the regulations of the latest valid version of the DVGW Code of Practice G 2000 shall be applicable.

Section 2 Accessibility

The permanent accessibility of Fluxys D is ensured by the 24/7-Dispatching:

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Section 3 Communication Test

In order to utilize and nominate booked capacities within the network of Fluxys D, first a communication test in accordance with Section 13b GTC has to be carried out successfully between Fluxys D and the balancing group manager (of the balancing groups and/or sub-balancing groups included by the shipper according to Section 7 GTC). The shipper has to guarantee that the defined balancing group manager executes this communication test in due time. For further information concerning the communication test, the shipper/balancing group manager contacts Fluxys D.

Section 4 Overnomination

According to Section 13d para. 3 Sentence 4 GTC, an interruptible within-day capacity contract is also concluded in the event that no capacities have been included in the balancing group or sub-balancing account. The rules defined in Section 3 of this Annex 3 shall apply accordingly.

Section 5 Switch from Central European Time (CET) to Central European Summer Time (CEST) and vice versa

For the switch from CET to CEST (usually at the end of March of each calendar year) Fluxys D shall be entitled to apply special provisions to nominations on the day on which the switch from CET to CEST takes place. Currently, the balancing group manager shall nominate for each Entry and Exit point twenty-three (23) successive hourly values on the relevant Gas Day.

For the switch from CEST to CET (usually at the end of October of each calendar year) Fluxys D shall be entitled to apply special provisions to nominations on the day on which the switch from CEST to CET takes place. Currently, the balancing group manager shall nominate for each Entry and Exit point twenty-five (25) successive hourly values on the relevant Gas Day.

Section 6 Daily notification about the portfolio of capacities within the balancing groups

Fluxys D will provide each shipper, in accordance with Section 12 para. 16 GTC, with the capacity portfolio within his balancing groups per network point for the following Gas Day in the shippers' area after log-in.

Section 7 Contact person

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