

## Call for Tender of Fluxys TENP GmbH for Supply of Fuel Gas

Fluxys TENP GmbH (hereinafter referred to as "**Fluxys TENP**") intends to purchase through this transparent, non-discriminatory and market-oriented tender procedure fuel gas in the form of natural gas (H-gas) and/or biogas (hereinafter both referred to as "**fuel gas**") for the turbo compressor units of the TENP System operated by Fluxys TENP.

**The delivery period runs from 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours.**

The fuel gas should be delivered to Fluxys TENP at the following delivery points: From 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, at the virtual trading point of the market area NetConnect Germany (hereinafter referred to as "**NCG VTP**") respectively from 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours, at the virtual trading point (hereinafter referred to as "**VTP**") of the market area Trading Hub Europe.

**The total quantity to be delivered amounts to:**

<b>Minimum total quantity:</b>	<b>15,560 MWh</b>
<b>Estimated total quantity:</b>	<b>125,000 MWh</b>

**Fluxys TENP is offering eight (8) lots at the above-mentioned delivery points.  
Each lot has the following specifications:**

<b>Minimum monthly contract quantity:</b>	<b>324 MWh</b>
<b>Maximum monthly contract quantity:</b>	<b>4,464 MWh</b>

**The maximum hourly contract quantity per lot shall not exceed 6,000 kWh.  
The minimum hourly contract quantity per lot shall not be lower than 450 kWh.**

The price for the natural gas lots (H-gas) of this tender consists for the delivery period from 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, of the European Gas Spot Index (EGSI) for NCG of EEX in €/MWh for the respective gas day plus the bidder's handling fee expressed in €/MWh as a fixed additional charge on top of the EGSI for NCG of EEX. For the delivery period from 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours, the price for the natural gas lots (H-gas) of this tender consists of the respective index of the market area Trading Hub Europe in €/MWh for the respective gas day plus the bidder's handling fee expressed in €/MWh as a fixed additional charge on top of the respective index of the market area Trading Hub Europe.

Bidders for natural gas (H-gas) are requested to insert in the **“Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas - Natural gas (H-gas)” (Annex A)** as price offer for the natural gas lots (H-gas) only the handling fee expressed in €/MWh as a fixed additional charge on top of the EGSI for NCG of EEX (respectively on top of the respective index of the market area Trading Hub Europe).

The basis for the price of the natural gas (H-gas) is for the delivery period from 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, the EGSI for NCG of EEX for the respective gas day which is published on the website of EEX under the following link: <https://www.powernext.com/spot-market-data>. For the delivery period from 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours, the basis for the price of the natural gas (H-gas) is the respective index of the market area Trading Hub Europe.

Bidders for biogas are requested to insert in the **“Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas - Biogas” (Annex B)** as price offer for the biogas lots the price of the biogas €/MWh.

To submit an offer for the lots, bidders are kindly requested to fill out the **“Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas - Natural gas (H-gas)” (Annex A)** and/or the **“Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas – Biogas” (Annex B)** and to send it to Fluxys TENP as described in Section 2 (ii) of the attached Tender Rules.

# General Rules for the Call for Tender of Fluxys TENP GmbH for Supply of Fuel Gas ("Tender Rules")

## 1. The Tender Procedure

- (i) Fluxys TENP is issuing this call for tender in order to purchase the fuel gas required for the operation of its gas pipeline system in the market area NetConnect Germany (NCG) - respectively from 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, in the market area Trading Hub Europe - in the form of natural gas (H-gas) and/or biogas (hereinafter both referred to as "**fuel gas**").
- (ii) The tender procedure consists of the tender phase (which starts with a prequalification phase) and the subsequent award procedure for the successful bidder(s).
- (iii) Documents submitted by bidders in connection with the tender will be treated confidentially by Fluxys TENP and will be used only for the purposes of this call for tender.

## 2. Time schedule of the tender

### (i) Prequalification phase

The prequalification phase will start on 27 May 2021 at 14:00 hours and will end on 7 June 2021 at 14:00 hours.

Interested bidders have to submit to Fluxys TENP the creditworthiness proofs specified in Section 3 (i) or (ii) during the prequalification phase. Fluxys TENP will give to each interested bidder a feedback to the submitted creditworthiness proofs and by doing this inform him about his eligibility to participate in the tender.

### (ii) Tender phase

The tender phase will start at the same time as the prequalification phase on 27 May 2021 at 14:00 hours and will end on 10 June 2021 at 14:00 hours.

Bidders who are eligible to participate in the tender due to their creditworthiness are kindly requested to send the "**Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas – Natural gas (H-gas)**" (**Annex A**) and/or the "**Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas – Biogas**" (**Annex B**) signed by a duly authorized representative by 10 June 2021 at 14:00 hours to Fluxys TENP **by fax to the fax number: +4921142090911 and in addition by e-mail to each of the following e-mail addresses:**

- [alexandra.moussa@fluxys.com](mailto:alexandra.moussa@fluxys.com)
- [Communication.FluxysTENP@fluxys.com](mailto:Communication.FluxysTENP@fluxys.com) .

Fluxys TENP will send to the bidders a confirmation receipt by e-mail as soon as it has received the **“Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas – Natural gas (H-gas)” (Annex A)** and/or the **“Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas – Biogas” (Annex B)**. Offers received after the set deadline will be rejected by Fluxys TENP.

(iii) **Award procedure**

Fluxys TENP will inform the successful bidder(s) about the contract award by 11 June 2021 at 14:00 hours at the latest. Fluxys TENP will inform the unsuccessful bidders also by 11 June 2021 at 14:00 hours at the latest.

The contract for one or more lots will be awarded to the offer(s) which is/are commercially the most advantageous offer(s) for Fluxys TENP and which will enable Fluxys TENP to cover its fuel gas needs tendered through the lots. In the event that two bidders quote comparable commercial conditions for the same lot, the contract will be awarded to the bidder who submitted the earlier offer to Fluxys TENP.

The notification of the contract award will be sent to the successful bidder(s) by e-mail and shall be confirmed by the successful bidder(s) on the same day by e-mail for verification reasons. Any such confirmation shall not affect the validity of the offer submitted or contract award.

Bidders selected for the contract award shall be obligated to conclude the “Contract for the Supply of Fuel Gas” on the basis of their respective offers and shall be bound to their offers in this respect. A specimen of the “Contract for the Supply of Fuel Gas” to be concluded is attached to these Tender Rules as **Annex C** and shall be an integral part of these Tender Rules. By submitting an offer, the bidder accepts the terms and conditions of the “Contract for the Supply of Fuel Gas” (**Annex C**).

Upon contract award, the conditions of the “Contract for the Supply of Fuel Gas” (**Annex C**) shall apply.

In case a German bidder is selected for the contract award, Fluxys TENP would prepare only a German version of the “Contract for the Supply of Fuel Gas” (**Annex C**) and would abstain from the preparation of an English version of the “Contract for the Supply of Fuel Gas” (**Annex C**), provided that this bidder agrees.

### 3. Creditworthiness proofs

(i) In order to be eligible to participate and to submit a successful offer in the tender procedure, the bidder must comply with the creditworthiness requirements of Fluxys TENP. The creditworthiness of the bidder is not sufficient if he submits to Fluxys TENP during the prequalification phase a rating of one of the rating agencies listed below which fails to meet the following minimum requirements:

- a Standard & Poor's long-term rating of BBB- or better,
- a Fitch rating of BBB- (long-term) or better,
- a Moody's long-term rating of Baa3 or better, or,
- a Dun & Bradstreet rating with a Risk Indicator 3 or better,
- a Creditreform rating (credit index score 2.0) of at least risk class II or better (in accordance with Creditreform Rating Map Germany in the currently valid version); or, if risk classes according to Creditreform (credit index score 2.0) are not available for the shipper,
- 235 points or less according to Creditreform (credit index score 2.0).

Furthermore, Fluxys TENP will check publicly available information on the economic standing of the bidder.

(ii) In case the bidder does not have a rating as specified in Section 3 (i) or in case the rating fails to meet the minimum requirements listed in Section 3 (i), the bidder has to submit to Fluxys TENP during the prequalification phase a provision of security as proof for sufficient creditworthiness. Initially it is sufficient that the provision of security is a written confirmation of a bank that it will issue a bank guarantee for the benefit of Fluxys TENP in case of contract award to the bidder. The bank issuing this bank guarantee must have at least a Standard & Poor's long-term rating of A- or a Moody's long-term rating of A3, or it should be part of the German savings and cooperative banks sector.

The amount of the bank guarantee per lot for which the bidder wants to submit an offer is 125,000.- € (in words: one hundred twenty-five thousand Euros). In case of contract award to the bidder only one bank guarantee is necessary regardless of the number of lots for which the bidder submits an offer. The bank guarantee should be valid until three (3) months after the end of the fuel gas delivery period.

The written confirmation of the bank has to be submitted to Fluxys TENP until the end of the prequalification phase at the latest. The prequalification phase will end on 7 June 2021 at 14:00 hours.

Fluxys TENP kindly asks interested bidders to get in contact early in order to clarify open questions regarding the provision of security.

(iii) Fluxys TENP will not consider offers which were submitted without sufficient creditworthiness proofs.

In the event that any bidder does not meet the abovementioned creditworthiness requirements of Fluxys TENP, Fluxys TENP shall be entitled to reject such bidder by reason of that fact alone.

#### **4. Miscellaneous**

- (i) This call for tender is being conducted in German and English and is subject to German law with the exception of international private law.
  
- (ii) Fluxys TENP shall make no charge for bidders' participation in the tender procedure. Each party in the tender procedure shall meet its own expenses incurred in that context.

**Annex A**

## Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas - Natural gas (H-gas)

for the delivery period 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours

Deadline for receipt of the offers: **10 June 2021, 14:00 hours**

Bidder: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

We have read, understood and accepted the "Tender Rules" of Fluxys TENP GmbH for the Call for Tender for Supply of Fuel Gas. We hereby submit the following legally binding offer for natural gas (H-gas) **for the delivery point NCG VTP (for the delivery period 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours) respectively for the delivery point VTP of the market area Trading Hub Europe (for the delivery period 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours)** in accordance with the "Tender Rules" of Fluxys TENP GmbH:

Delivery Point see above	Price offer							
	Only the handling fee in €/MWh as a fixed additional charge on top of:  European Gas Spot Index (EGSI)* for NCG of EEX (for delivery period 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours) respectively the respective index of the market area Trading Hub Europe (for delivery period 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours)							
	Lot 1	Lot 2	Lot 3	Lot 4	Lot 5	Lot 6	Lot 7	Lot 8
<b>Natural gas (H-gas)</b>								

\*(<https://www.powernext.com/spot-market-data>)

We hereby agree and acknowledge that the present offer shall constitute a binding offer to enter into a "Contract for the Supply of Fuel Gas" (as attached as **Annex C**) with Fluxys TENP GmbH. The acceptance of our abovementioned offer by Fluxys TENP GmbH leads automatically to the conclusion of such contract. Fluxys TENP GmbH and the bidder will promptly sign the "Contract for the Supply of Fuel Gas" for documentation purposes.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Place, Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature(s) and company stamp

**Annex B**

## Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas - Biogas

for the delivery period 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours

Deadline for receipt of the offers: **10 June 2021, 14:00 hours**

Bidder: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

We have read, understood and accepted the "Tender Rules" of Fluxys TENP GmbH for the Call for Tender for Supply of Fuel Gas. We hereby submit the following legally binding offer for biogas **for the delivery point NCG VTP (for the delivery period 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours) respectively for the delivery point VTP of the market area Trading Hub Europe (for the delivery period 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours)** in accordance with the "Tender Rules" of Fluxys TENP GmbH:

Delivery Point see above	Price offer [in €/MWh]							
	Lot 1	Lot 2	Lot 3	Lot 4	Lot 5	Lot 6	Lot 7	Lot 8
<b>Biogas</b>								

We hereby agree and acknowledge that the present offer shall constitute a binding offer to enter into a "Contract for the Supply of Fuel Gas" (as attached as **Annex C**) with Fluxys TENP GmbH. The acceptance of our abovementioned offer by Fluxys TENP GmbH leads automatically to the conclusion of such contract. Fluxys TENP GmbH and the bidder will promptly sign the "Contract for the Supply of Fuel Gas" for documentation purposes.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Place, Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature(s) and company stamp



# Contract for the Supply of Fuel Gas

- hereinafter referred to as "**Contract**" -

between

Fluxys TENP GmbH  
Elisabethstraße 11  
D - 40217 Düsseldorf

- hereinafter referred to as "**Fluxys TENP**" -

and

[Supplier]

[address of Supplier]

- hereinafter referred to as "**Supplier**" -

- hereinafter referred to individually as "**Party**" or jointly as "**Parties**" -

## Recitals

In the “Call for Tender of Fluxys TENP for Supply of Fuel Gas” (tender period: 27 May 2021 to 10 June 2021), the Supplier has been awarded the contract to supply fuel gas under the conditions mentioned in this Contract.

The Parties to this Contract conclude the following Contract for documentation purposes:

## Article 1 Definitions

- (i) For the purposes of this Contract, the definitions of the “General Terms & Conditions for Entry/Exit contracts of Fluxys TENP GmbH” which are published on the website of Fluxys TENP are applied, unless expressly otherwise stated herein.
- (ii) For the purposes of this Contract, “**Delivery Point**” shall mean from 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours the virtual trading point of the market area NetConnect Germany (hereinafter referred to as “**NCG VTP**”) respectively from 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours the virtual trading point (hereinafter referred to as “**VTP**”) of the market area Trading Hub Europe.

## Article 2 Object of the Contract

- (i) Fluxys TENP shall buy and accept and the Supplier shall sell and deliver to Fluxys TENP the fuel gas according to the provisions of this Contract for the delivery period from 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours.
- (ii) The Supplier shall hold available and deliver the monthly and hourly quantities mentioned in Article 3, in accordance with the notification of quantities in Article 4.
- (iii) Fluxys TENP shall take delivery of and pay for the fuel gas quantities which it has bought in accordance with para. (i) and which the Supplier is obligated to deliver in accordance with para. (ii).

## Article 3 Contract Quantities

- (i) As a result of the “Call for Tender of Fluxys TENP for Supply of Fuel Gas” (tender period: 27 May 2021 to 10 June 2021), the Supplier has to deliver the following number of lots at the Delivery Point:

[ \_ lot(s) natural gas (H-gas)/ \_ lot(s) biogas]

as specified in the “Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas – Natural gas (H-gas)” / “Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas – Biogas” submitted by the Supplier and attached as **Appendix 1** to this Contract.

- (ii) The fuel gas quantity which the Supplier has to deliver to Fluxys TENP at the Delivery Point shall have the following specifications per lot:

Minimum monthly contract quantity:	324 MWh
Maximum monthly contract quantity:	4,464 MWh

- (iii) The fuel gas quantity which the Supplier has to deliver to Fluxys TENP at the Delivery Point shall not exceed 6,000 kWh per hour per lot. The fuel gas quantity which the Supplier has to deliver to Fluxys TENP at the Delivery Point shall not be lower than 450 kWh per hour per lot.

#### **Article 4 Quantity Notifications**

- (i) Fluxys TENP will notify the Supplier on a monthly basis of the fuel gas quantities which Fluxys TENP wishes to take delivery of at the Delivery Point.

Each quantity notification shall contain:

- a. the NCG balancing group code of Fluxys TENP (from 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours) respectively the THE balancing group code of Fluxys TENP (from 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours),
  - b. the validity period,
  - c. the hourly quantity in kWh.
- (ii) The quantity notifications shall be made from 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours using the NCG VTP nomination platform. From 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours the quantity notifications shall be made using the nomination platform of the VTP of the market area Trading Hub Europe.
- (iii) The initial monthly quantity notification shall be made by e-mail not later than 14:00 hours of the penultimate business day of the current month for the following month. This monthly quantity notification may be changed at any time by Fluxys TENP, provided that the change is made by the previous day before 14:00 hours. Fluxys TENP usually does not make (re-)nominations on weekend days or public holidays. Furthermore Fluxys TENP will make every effort, if possible, to make a flat monthly nomination.
- (iv) Should the Supplier not have received from Fluxys TENP any monthly quantity notification for the following month until 14:00 hours of the penultimate business day of the current month, the notified quantity shall be deemed to be the minimum monthly contract quantity of all contractually agreed lots in accordance with Article 3 para. (i). Each quantity notification shall be confirmed by a nomination from the Supplier at the Delivery Point.

## **Article 5 Gas Quality**

- (i) The fuel gas to be delivered under this Contract shall be the gases of the second gas family in accordance with the Code of Practice G 260 on gas quality issued by the DVGW (Deutscher Verein des Gas- und Wasserfaches e.V.) in the version applicable at the given time.
- (ii) Biogas has to meet the requirements of the Biomass Ordinance in the version applicable at the given time. The Supplier must be able to prove the biogenic quality of the biogas by means of mass-balance tracing in the biogas register of DENA or by a delivery model extract from there. In case of biogas which is produced outside of the Federal Republic of Germany the Supplier has to submit a charge-off document of the delivering mass-balance system and has to confirm the mass-balancing of the biogas quantities by independent auditing process.

## **Article 6 Price**

- (i) The price for the natural gas lots (H-gas) consists for the delivery period from 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, of the European Gas Spot Index (EGSI) for NCG of EEX in €/MWh for the respective gas day plus the bidder's handling fee expressed in €/MWh as a fixed additional charge on top of the EGSI for NCG of EEX. For the delivery period from 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours, the price for the natural gas lots (H-gas) of this tender consists of the respective index of the market area Trading Hub Europe in €/MWh for the respective gas day plus the bidder's handling fee expressed in €/MWh as a fixed additional charge on top of the respective index of the market area Trading Hub Europe.

The basis for the price of the natural gas (H-gas) is for the delivery period from 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, the EGSI for NCG of EEX for the respective gas day which is published on the website of EEX under the following link: <https://www.powernext.com/spot-market-data>. For the delivery period from 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours, the basis for the price of the natural gas (H-gas) is the respective index of the market area Trading Hub Europe.

- (ii) Fluxys TENP pays to the Supplier for the natural gas quantities (H-gas) delivered at the Delivery Point in accordance with this Contract the following handling fees per lot expressed as a fixed additional charge on top of the EGSI for NCG of EEX for the delivery period from 1 July 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours. For the delivery period from 1 October 2021, 06:00 hours, to 1 January 2022, 06:00 hours, the basis for the price of the natural gas (H-gas) is the respective index of the market area Trading Hub Europe.

Fluxys TENP pays to the Supplier for the biogas quantities delivered at the Delivery Point in accordance with this Contract the following prices:

**Handling fees Natural gas (H-gas)**

[. ] €/MWh for lot 1
[. ] €/MWh for lot 2
[. ] €/MWh for lot 3
[. ] €/MWh for lot 4
[. ] €/MWh for lot 5
[. ] €/MWh for lot 6
[. ] €/MWh for lot 7
[. ] €/MWh for lot 8

**Prices Biogas**

[. ] €/MWh for lot 1
[. ] €/MWh for lot 2
[. ] €/MWh for lot 3
[. ] €/MWh for lot 4
[. ] €/MWh for lot 5
[. ] €/MWh for lot 6
[. ] €/MWh for lot 7
[. ] €/MWh for lot 8

as specified in the "Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas" submitted by the Supplier and attached as **Appendix 1** to this Contract.

- (iii) The Supplier shall pay all fees, charges, taxes and other costs incurred up to the point where the fuel gas quantities are delivered.

**Article 7  
Invoicing and Payment**

- (i) The fuel gas quantities agreed under this Contract and delivered to Fluxys TENP shall be invoiced by the Supplier in the month following the delivery. The invoiced fuel gas quantities shall be deemed to be the fuel gas quantities which the Supplier delivered to Fluxys TENP. In addition to the price for the natural gas lots (H-gas)/price for the biogas lots, VAT shall be charged at the rate prevailing and shall be shown separately.
- (ii) The invoices shall be transmitted by the Supplier to Fluxys TENP by means of electronic invoicing indicating the account details for the payments.

**Article 8  
Force Majeure**

- (i) For the purposes of this Contract, events of Force Majeure are deemed to be all unforeseeable and external events and/or circumstances, which are beyond the sphere of influence of the Party affected and which could not have been avoided applying utmost diligence and which cause a non-fulfilment or a delay in fulfilment of the contractual obligations by the Party affected. Inability of a Party to pay, however caused, shall not be deemed to be Force Majeure.

Such events or circumstances of Force Majeure shall include particularly any of the following events: act of God, natural disasters, terrorist attacks, power failure, failure of telecommunications connections, strikes, lock-outs and/or labour disputes, suspension or withdrawal of any consent, legal provisions or measures by governments, courts or authorities, irrespective of whether such measures are lawful and any breakage or breakdown of pipelines and/or of the installations which are directly or indirectly used for production and transportation of natural gas. Strikes, lock-outs and/or labour disputes are deemed to be events of Force Majeure if the Party affected did not cause these events through an unlawful act

and as long as the Party affected can only achieve their settlement under unreasonable conditions for the Party affected.

- (ii) The Party affected by Force Majeure shall notify the other Party immediately thereof and shall provide the other Party with details on the expected duration and on the cause of the disruption. The Party affected by Force Majeure shall promptly take all technically feasible and economically viable steps to resume the performance of its obligations as soon as possible. The Parties are obligated to ensure the fulfilment of this Contract with all technically possible and economically reasonable measures.
- (iii) If a Party is prevented from performing or fulfilling its contractual obligations due to Force Majeure in accordance with this Article 8, said Party shall be released from its contractual obligations. The other Party shall be released from its corresponding contractual obligations to the extent and as long as said first Party is prevented from performing its contractual obligations due to Force Majeure. Either Party may terminate this Contract if the event of Force Majeure lasts for a continuous period of at least ninety (90) Days.

#### **Article 9 Liability**

The liability of the Parties shall be in accordance with the law.

#### **Article 10 Term and Termination**

- (i) This Contract shall enter into force with retroactive effect on contract award. It documents the mutual rights and obligations of the fuel gas delivery by the Supplier on the basis of one or more successful offers in the call for tender of Fluxys TENP for supply of fuel gas. This Contract shall end at the end of the delivery period without notice having to be given.
- (ii) Notwithstanding para. (i), this Contract may be terminated with immediate effect only for reasonable cause. The infringement of a major obligation under this Contract by one of the Parties shall constitute reasonable cause. This Contract may also be terminated with immediate effect in the event of repeated infringements of this Contract.
- (iii) Fluxys TENP shall also be entitled to terminate the Contract with immediate effect if an admissible application for the instigation of insolvency proceedings against the assets of the Supplier has been filed.
- (iv) Notice of termination shall not be valid unless made in writing.

## **Article 11**

### **Confidentiality**

- (i) The Parties shall treat as confidential the content of this Contract and all information which they obtain in connection with said Contract (hereinafter referred to as "**Confidential Information**") and shall not disclose such Confidential Information or make it accessible to third parties without the prior written consent of the other Party. The Parties undertake to use the Confidential Information obtained exclusively for the purpose of performing this Contract.
- (ii) Either Party shall be entitled to disclose, without the written consent of the other Party, any Confidential Information obtained from the other Party to the extent that this Confidential Information
  - was legitimately known to the Party receiving the information at the time it was obtained from the other Party;
  - was already in the public domain or becomes publicly available other than through an act or omission of the receiving Party; or
  - has to be disclosed by a Party due to a statutory provision or a court or official order; in any such case, the disclosing Party shall inform the other Party thereof without undue delay.
- (iii) Confidential Information may be disclosed by a Party (hereinafter referred to as "**Disclosing Party**") to an affiliate of the Party in accordance with Article 15 German Stock Companies Act (Aktiengesetz) without the prior written consent of the other Party, provided that such affiliate shall be obligated to keep such information confidential on the same terms as set forth herein and provided further that the Disclosing Party shall remain responsible for any breach of said obligation.
- (iv) The confidentiality obligation shall remain in force for a period of two (2) years beyond expiry or termination of this Contract.
- (v) Section 6a of the German Energy Industry Act (EnWG) shall remain unaffected.

## **Article 12**

### **Written Form**

- (i) All declarations, notifications of natural gas quantities or other notifications mentioned in this Contract shall be made in writing. Provided that the other Party agrees, such declarations, notifications of natural gas quantities or other notifications may also be made by electronic data transfer (e.g. e-mail) or by phone.
- (ii) Any subsidiary verbal agreements shall be deemed null and void. Unless otherwise agreed hereinabove, any amendments or additions to this Contract as well as the termination or cancellation of this Contract shall not be valid unless made in writing. Any waiver of this written form requirement shall likewise not be valid unless made in writing.

### **Article 13 Assignment**

Each Party shall be entitled to assign its rights and/or obligations under this Contract only subject to the prior written consent of the other Party. Said consent shall not be unreasonably withheld.

### **Article 14 Severability**

- (i) If individual provisions of this Contract are or become legally ineffective or impracticable, the effectiveness of the other provisions and the existence and the duration of this Contract shall not be affected or impaired thereby.
- (ii) In this case, the Parties will replace the legally ineffective or impracticable provision(s) of this Contract with effect from the time of the legal ineffectiveness or impracticability of the provision(s) by (a) different provision(s) which comes closest to the original provision(s) regarding its economic success and its purpose.
- (iii) Para. (i) and para. (ii) apply accordingly for unconscious regulation gaps in this Contract.

### **Article 15 Changes in Circumstances**

- (i) If unforeseeable circumstances occur during the term of this Contract which have considerable economic, technical or legal effects on this Contract but which were not contemplated herein or could not reasonably have been taken into account at the time of execution of this Contract, the Parties may request an amendment of the Contract to the extent that it would be unreasonable for the requesting Party to fulfil or perform a particular provision of this Contract.
- (ii) The request shall indicate the grounds on which it is based and the suggested amendment of the Contract.
- (iii) The request for amendment shall be submitted to the other Party within a reasonable time from the moment the requesting Party becomes aware of the circumstance and of its effects on the performance of the Contract. The Parties shall then consult one another in order to revise the Contract on a fair basis.



## Article 16 Contacts

The contacts for the communication under this Contract shall be the following:

### For Fluxys TENP:

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Commercial Operator  
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D - 40217 Düsseldorf  
Tel. No.: +49 211 420909 25  
Fax No.: +49 211 420909 11  
E-mail address: alexandra.moussa@fluxys.com

### For the Supplier:

[Supplier]  
[Contact person]  
[Position]  
[Street]  
[Postal code, town]  
[Tel. No.]  
[Fax No.]  
[E-mail address]

## Article 17 Applicable Law and Arbitration

- (i) Any disputes arising out of this Contract shall be exclusively and finally settled by a court of arbitration.
- (ii) The court of arbitration shall be made up of three arbitrators, one of whom shall act as chairman of the court of arbitration. The chairman shall be fully educated and trained to be a judge. The court of arbitration shall be formed by the Party instituting arbitration proceedings describing the matter in dispute, appointing an arbitrator and calling upon the other Party to appoint a second arbitrator, and the two named arbitrators then selecting the chairman. If either Party fails to appoint an arbitrator within a period of four (4) weeks, the Party that instituted the arbitration proceedings shall be entitled to ask the president of the relevant court to propose a second arbitrator. The proposal shall be binding on both Parties. If the arbitrators have not selected the chairman within a period of four (4) weeks, either Party shall be entitled to ask the president of the relevant court to propose a chairman. The proposal shall be binding on both Parties.
- (iii) The venue for any arbitration proceedings shall be Düsseldorf.

The court of jurisdiction pursuant to Section 1062 of the German Code of Civil Procedure (Zivilprozessordnung) shall be the Düsseldorf Higher Regional Court. The language for the arbitration proceedings is the German language. In all other

respects, Sections 1025 to 1065 of the German Code of Civil Procedure (Zivilprozessordnung) shall apply to the arbitration proceedings.

- (iv) This Contract and its interpretation shall be exclusively governed by German law. The laws on the International Sale of Goods, particularly the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG), shall not apply.
- (v) For this agreement the German wording shall be decisive. In case of any inconsistencies between the German and the English wording, the German wording shall therefore prevail.

In witness thereof, this Contract has been duly executed in two (2) originals.

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Fluxys TENP GmbH

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(Supplier)

**Appendix 1 (Copy of the “Tender Sheet for Fuel Gas” received from the Supplier)**