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Public consultation on the implementation of CAM and CMP on the BBL interconnector

Dear Stakeholder,

BBL Company (BBLC), Gasunie Transport Services (GTS) and National Grid Gas (NGG) seek your views on the implementation proposals for the Network Code Regulation on Capacity Allocation Mechanisms (CAM) in Gas Transmission Systems, dated 14 October 2013, and the Congestion Management Procedures (CMP), as set out in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 715/2009 dated 24 August 2012, on the BBL interconnector.

Since the implementation of CAM and CMP on the BBL interconnector requires close cooperation between BBLC and its adjacent network operators GTS and NGG, the Concept Document accompanying this letter has been jointly developed (where appropriate) by these TSOs. The aim of the Concept Document is to explain the proposed implementation of CAM and CMP on the BBL interconnector and the related changes it will introduce at the interconnection points Julianadorp and Bacton when compared with current practice. CAM and CMP will come into effect on the BBL interconnector from 1 November 2015.

We invite you to answer the following questions:

- Do you agree that the proposals are compliant with the Network Code on CAM?
- Do you agree that the proposals are compliant with the CMP Annex?
- Do you agree that the quantity of capacity to be set aside for short term auctions defined in section 2.3 is appropriate?
- Do you support single-sided nominations being accepted for unbundled capacity if the same entity owns the capacity on both sides?
- Do you agree that surrendered capacity that is not reallocated in an auction is not automatically rolled forward to future auctions?
- Do you have any other feedback on the Concept Document?

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Please send your response to consultations@bblcompany.com, including a copy to NGG at box.transmissioncapacityandcharging@nationalgrid.com and a copy to GTS at h.j.smit@gastransport.nl by COB on Friday 8 May 2015. Please ensure a "read receipt" is requested if you wish to confirm that your response has been received. Any response not marked confidential will be published on the BBLC website. A workshop will be organized on Wednesday 29 April 2015. Further information about this workshop will be made available shortly. The final proposals will be submitted to ACM and Ofgem for approval following consideration of your feedback by June.

If you wish to have further clarification of anything outlined in this letter or have any questions on the Concept Document please do not hesitate to contact in the first instance Marcel Neef, consultations@bblcompany.com, +31 6 3103 7034.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

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Appendix 1: TSO background and contact details**BBLC - BACKGROUND**

BBLC's main activities are the operation and exploitation of a pipeline facility connecting the Netherlands (Balgzand) and the United Kingdom (Bacton). As of the 1st of December 2006 the BBL pipeline is operational and transporting gas on a commercial basis to the UK. BBLC is a certified TSO under the ownership and unbundling requirements of the Third Package and is subject to the regulations that follow from it including the Network Code on CAM and CMP

GTS - BACKGROUND

Gasunie Transport Services BV, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Gasunie, is owner and the designated national transmission operator in the Netherlands. One of GTS's key missions is the non-discriminatory provision of gas transmission services. Such services should enhance security of supply and the proper functioning of the gas market.

NGG – BACKGROUND

National Grid Gas (NGG) is the owner and operator of the gas National Transmission System ("NTS") in Great Britain that connects with the BBL Interconnector Pipeline at Bacton. The NTS plays an important role in facilitating the competitive gas market and helping to provide the UK with a secure gas supply. It is a network of pipelines, presently operated at pressures of up to 94 barg, which transports gas safely and efficiently from coastal terminals and storage facilities to exit points from the system.

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