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EFET Gas Campaign

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Need a renewed push to establish gas trading

Initial ideas for targets:

- Short-term
 - Improve liquidity at virtual trading points (e.g. TTF)
- Long-term
 - Independent System Operators for groups of TSOs



Gas Committee approach

- Build on priorities and suggestions to establish targets for 2006
- Plan and implement EFET input relevant to the timeline of events
- Identify who we should be influencing and agree a communication strategy

Increase **EFET influence** as an effective catalyst for change in the gas market



Current Gas Committee priority areas

- Gas Hub Development Group (led by Doug Wood)
 - To improve trading services and convergence of trading terms
- Project Group Balancing (led by Eric Bensaude)
 - To reduce risk by encouraging a transition to market-based balancing
- Project Group Capacity Markets (led by Adam Cooper)
 - To improve access by the establishment of capacity trading
- Project Group Entry-Exit (led by Petter Amundsen)
 - To make entry-exit implementation more helpful to traders



Together, our Goal is to improve liquidity

Gas Hub Development

Balancing

Entry-Exit



Capacity Markets

"Information transparency and effective unbundling remain important issues that affect risk in all these areas"



EFET gas priorities, given to DG Tren

- Ensure long-term contracts do not distort the market
- Implement firm use-it-or-lose-it on legacy arrangements
- Improve information provision by System Operators
- Design entry-exit access regimes to facilitate trade
- Make unbundling effective
- Oblige TSOs to co-operate across borders
- Establish consistent powers/duties for independent regulators
- Require full implementation of storage access guidelines
- Encourage or obligations on incumbents to make the market
- Establish market-based balancing



ERGEG/CEER's gas issues for 2006

- Interoperability
- Gas Hub Development
- Maximising Capacity
- Transmission (& Transit) Charges
- Storage and Balancing
- ERGEG Road Map

We can expect the regulators to take a regional approach to gas market development



EU Commission's Gas issues for 2006

- Continuation of the DG Comp Sector Inquiry
- Matters arising from the DG Tren Market Review
 - Ensuring unbundling fully complies with the Directive
 - Checking that there are ex-ante cost-reflective tariffs
- Guidelines for the gas transmission regulation
 - Capacity allocation, congestion management transparency requirements
- Interoperability study
- Security of supply

"the current EU legislative framework should be sufficient, but we will bring forward a 3rd package if necessary".



12 month EU regulatory gas timeline

- Nov 2005 DG Comp & DG Tren preliminary reports
- Dec Council of Ministers & Presidency conclusions
- Dec Publication of regulators' proposed road map
- Jan 2006 Final responses to regulators' road map
- Jan/Feb EU Parliament consider DG Tren report
- March DGTren gas transmission regulation guidelines
- April Storage access compliance
- April/May Madrid Gas Forum
- May Security of Supply Co-ordination Committee
- June Council of Energy Ministers
- July EU gas transmission regulation compliance
- Oct/Nov Madrid Gas Forum



Using the press



Increase effectiveness of EFET Gas press releases



- improve timing and content (e.g. For all 12 events on the timeline, plus be ready for new issues)
- inform all members of EFET
- get additional good quality exposure in trade magazines
- regular column in an EU Institutional newspaper(?)
- national coverage on key issues



Improving liaison with local task forces

Can the Gas Committee give better support?

E.g. In Germany

- •The requirement to implement the new Network Access regime on 1 February 2006
- The BNA's efforts to open up long-term gas supply contracts

Use gas committee influence at EU level and with international opinion formers



Sharing our long term vision of a European Gas Market

- Entry-exit systems are the norm
- Independent System Operators are established
- Long term contracts that foreclosed the market have been changed
- Each ISO's system has one balancing zone
- Bid and offer prices are used for cashing out daily imbalances
- Robust and liquid gas futures markets exist
- [Capacity rights for any individual transfer route are in the hands of many companies]



Who else do we need to persuade?

Not just associations, also individual companies:

- Hub Operators (via GHDG)
- TSOs (via PGCM, PGB, PGEE)
- Incumbent suppliers (via GHDG & PGB)
- SSOs (via Gas Committee)
- Producers (via Gas Committee)

Essential to establish bilateral contact with key people in companies that can influence change



Short-term Targets

(to complete and/or publicise)

- Transparency requirements for gas hubs
- => to improve information at existing hubs
- Benchmarking of TSO systems
- => to help entry/exit implementation for trading
- Ideal Balancing System
- => to reduce risk by market-based balancing
- Position on long term contracts and UIOLI
- => to make capacity more accessible to traders

application to be developed in the next Gas Committee meeting on 15 December 2005

