

European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG) adopts Summer Supply Outlook 2011

The European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas adopted its second Summer Supply Outlook. This report complements the Winter Outlooks that TSOs started publishing in 2007. The Summer Supply Outlook 2011 will enable to continue dialogue with stakeholders, which is a key element for improving report quality and added-value. ENTSOG therefore welcomes feedback on this year's Summer Outlook to be able to better cater for the needs of the market in the future. The report available is at www.entsog.eu/publications/index g investment.html

Gas transmission systems bring gas to the markets. Gas markets' demand patterns are influenced by different factors, among which seasonal temperature differences are important. In winter, demand in most Member States is high for heating purposes and gas is withdrawn from storage facilities. In summer, capacities are needed to transport volumes for both storage filling and current market demand. ENTSOG has therefore decided to define the objective of this Summer Supply Outlook 2011 as to provide an overview of the market demand and storage injection in each of the six months from April through to September, and to assess the capacity of the transmission system to transport these volumes.

In addition to the previous statement, Summer Supply Outlook 2011 provides a sensitivity analysis assessing the resilience of the system while facing different supply scenarios including the continuation of the Libyan current disruption.

Stephan Kamphues, ENTSOG President said: "As last year, ENTSOG has assessed that the European gas network offers sufficient capacity to face both demand and injection as targeted by storage operators. The additional sensitivity study has been made possible through an enhanced modelling tool enabling to run hundreds of cases as well as to encompass the volume dimension of the season. "

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Notes to Editors

• ENTSOG was founded on 1 December 2009 in accordance with Regulation (EC) 715/2009. ENTSOG is based in Brussels and currently comprises 33 members from 22 countries.