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European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas (ENTSOG) adopts Summer Supply Outlook 2014 & Summer Review 2013

(Brussels, 23 April 2014, PR062-14) The European Network of Transmission System Operators has adopted its Summer Supply Outlook 2014 and the accompanying Review of Summer 2013.

In the Summer Supply Outlook, ENTSOG has undertaken an assessment of the European gas network for the upcoming summer (April to September 2014). The analysis focuses on the ability of European gas infrastructure to enable very high injection level in underground storages. In order to capture a wider range of situations that could result from market conditions, a sensitivity study has been carried out around setting a reference scenario of the average of last two summers. In addition, European Commission has defined some cases related to the situation in the Ukraine to be assessed by ENTSOG and included in this report. The conclusions are:

The European gas network is sufficiently flexible across Europe to <u>enable</u> 90% stock levels on 30 September 2014. The report also confirms the following particular situations:

- > The dependence of Central and Eastern Europe on Russian gas for both meeting gas demand and injection in storage
- > The dependence of the Iberian Peninsula and Southern France on LNG imports to achieve high stock level
- > The reliance of high stock levels at the end of the season in Denmark and Sweden on the use of interruptible capacity from Germany

To complement the Supply Outlook, ENTSOG also carried out a review of the previous summer in order to build better knowledge of seasonal dynamics of supply and demand.

Vittorio Musazzi, ENTSOG General Manager, said, "This Summer Supply Outlook has confirmed that without major supply disruption, European gas infrastructures will enable the presence of high stock levels at the end of the summer. Nevertheless the existence of such high levels will depend on market behaviour. This edition has also proved the TSOs' ability to provide a quantitative analysis of possible developments in the Ukraine situation on short notice".

ENTSOG welcomes feedback on the published report, which is a key element for improving future reports in addition to adjusting for future needs of the market.



The report is available at: <u>http://www.entsog.eu/publications/outlooks.html</u>

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Notes to Editors

- ENTSOG was founded on 1 December 2009 in line with Regulation (EC) 715/2009 and currently comprises 43 TSO Members and 3 Associated Partners from 26 EU countries, and 4 Observers from non-EU countries.
- In line with Art. 8(3)(f) of Regulation (EC) 715/2009, ENTSOG is obliged to publish annual Winter and Summer Supply Outlooks.

