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INT NC amendment for gas quality MARCOGAZ position

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- **MARCOGAZ strongly believes that the gas quality harmonisation process helps the European natural gas market:**
 - To increase the security of supply
 - To add green gases to the supplies portfolio
 - To create a true EU gas appliances market
- **MARCOGAZ has always supported the gas harmonisation process :**
 - By taking a very active part in the EASEE-gas process (especially regarding combustion parameters)
 - In preparing Mandate M/400 with the Commission and CEN
 - By participating in CEN TC234 WG11 meetings
 - Through the elaboration of different public position papers during the whole process

- **Implementation of EN16726 in INT NC *must not add* new barriers to the natural gas trade in Europe**
- **Implementation of EN16726 in INT NC *shall help* the free circulation of gases, including biomethane**
- **Stakeholders *should be proactive* during INT NC Amendment process**
 - **No discussion on values in the standard.**
 - **No discussion on Wobbe Index range and variation.**
 - **This issue will be the aim of next standard revision and the Pilot Project II.**

- **Application of EN 16726**
 - *Application should be as wide as possible without creating new barriers.*
 - **Preferably applicable to the whole gas network**
 - **This is the basic concept of the standard and Mandate M/400**
 - **However this has to be confirmed by the outcome of the impact analysis made by ENTSG**
- **Implementation time:**
 - **As short as possible**
 - **Following the outcome of the impact analysis**
- **Values and parameters mentioned in EN16726 shall not be changed**

- **Flexible limits stated in EN16726:**
 - **Default values at entry points and interconnection points are clear in the standard.**
 - **Flexibility should be the results of an analysis of concerned stakeholders.**
 - **Example CO₂:** *"At network entry points and interconnection points the mole fraction of carbon dioxide shall be no more than 2,5 %. However, where the gas can be demonstrated not to flow to installations sensitive to higher levels of carbon dioxide, e.g. underground storage systems, a higher limit of up to 4 % may be applied."*
 - **Flexibility up to 4 % (or less) should be subjected to an analysis.**
- **Off-spec gas: *National* decision according local injection points**



Thank you !

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