

## Gas transmission system operators launch second part of the consultation on incremental capacity

- **Technical studies indicate investments of up to EUR 3.1 billion**

*Berlin, 31 August 2020.* Germany's gas transmission system operators are submitting their draft projects for new transmission capacities at the borders to Russia and the Netherlands for consultation in accordance with Article 27(3) of Regulation (EU) 2017/459 (Network Code on Capacity Allocation Mechanisms).

Providing the overall transmission capacities of up to 51.9 GW requested by shippers as part of a non-binding enquiry will require, among other things, building additional compressor and pipeline systems. This would involve investments of up to EUR 3.1 billion. "By expanding capacities at border crossing points, the TSOs are preparing their gas networks to meet the shippers' future transmission requirements," said Inga Posch, Managing Director of FNB Gas.

The proposed projects for the borders Russia and the Netherlands are available for download from the FNB Gas website at [www.fnb-gas-capacity.de](http://www.fnb-gas-capacity.de). Written comments can be submitted to FNB Gas ([info@fnb-gas.de](mailto:info@fnb-gas.de)) by 01 October 2020.

After the consultation phase, the transmission system operators will submit their project proposals for new capacity to the national regulatory authorities for approval.

### **About FNB Gas:**

The Berlin-based association Vereinigung der Fernleitungsnetzbetreiber Gas e.V. (FNB Gas) was founded in 2012 by the German gas transmission system operators (TSOs), i.e. the network companies operating the major supra-regional and cross-border gas transportation pipelines. One key focus of the association's activities is the Gas Network Development Plan, which has been drawn up annually by the TSOs since 2012. The association also acts as a central point of contact for policymakers, the media and the general public on behalf of its members.

The members of the association are: bayernets GmbH, Fluxys TENP GmbH, GASCADE Gastransport GmbH, Gastransport Nord GmbH, Gasunie Deutschland Transport Services GmbH, GRTgaz Deutschland GmbH, Nowega GmbH, ONTRAS Gastransport GmbH, Open Grid Europe GmbH, terranets bw GmbH and Thyssengas GmbH. Between them they operate a pipeline network totalling some 40,000 kilometres in length.

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