

Notice on ACER's pending Opinion on the Decision to exempt the Deutschneudorf-EUGAL (DE-CZ) Interconnection Point from the obligation to enable permanent physical bi-directional capacity

On 5 February 2020, Bundesnetzagentur, the German national regulatory authority ('NRA'), submitted to ACER its Decision Ref 609-18-64-Reverse Flow Germany/Czechia (the "Decision", [link](#)) and a letter dated 24 January 2020 from the Czech Ministry of Economy and Trade to Bundesnetzagentur, pointing out the requirement for a coordinated decision of the competent authorities concerned in accordance with Annex III.5 of Regulation (EU) 2017/1938 concerning measures to safeguard the security of gas supply ('the SoS Regulation').

The Decision, taken in response to the application submitted by the German gas transport system operator Gascade Gastransport GmbH to Bundesnetzagentur, grants an exemption from the obligation to enable permanent physical bi-directional capacity at the Deutschneudorf-EUGAL Interconnection Point from the Czech Republic to Germany, for a period of 4 years.

ACER, pursuant to Annex III.8 to the SoS Regulation, shall issue by 5 May 2020 an Opinion on the elements of the coordinated decision, taking into account any possible objection, and submit the Opinion to all competent authorities concerned and the competent authorities referred to in Annex III.6 to the SoS Regulation and to the Commission.

Third parties are invited to provide any comments and observations they may have on this subject matter to ACER ([reverseflows\(at\)acer.europa.eu](mailto:reverseflows(at)acer.europa.eu)) by 27 March 2020.

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