**36th IG Meeting. South Gas Regional Initiative**

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Teleconference

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1. **I. Opening**

The chair welcomed all participants to the 36th Implementation Group (IG) meeting. The agenda was approved without changes, as well as the minutes of the previous IG meeting.

1. **II. CMP: common methodology of OSBB in the Region**

Regulators introduced as the main target of the meeting the discussion and approval of the Region’s OSBB methodology. The last version containing the OSBB details includes no restrictions of renominations when the buy-back process is launched, as well as the buy-back procedure to be developed by PRISMA.

Enagás proposed to clarify in the document that once initiated the buy-back procedure, network users should not be allowed to renominate upwards, in line with article 6.4 of Circular 1/2013.

Regulators also requested TSOs to do their best in order to comply with the foreseen OSBB implementation calendar in the Region. To this respect, TSOs expressed their difficulties to start applying the procedure in November 2016: firstly, they’re still waiting for PRISMA to provide a final budget and an implementation timeline for the reverse auction tool; after that, TSOs will also need some time to adapt their own IT systems; finally, Portuguese and Spanish TSOs are focused on the Balancing NC implementation, which enters into force on 1st October this year, in both countries.

**On this issue, participants:**

1. **Approved the OSBB methodology, as detailed in the last version, dated in April 2016. This methodology will be published on ACER’s webpage.**
2. **Agreed that TSOs will do their best in order to be able to start applying the OSBB mechanism as from April 2017.**

**III. Interoperability NC. Latest development and next steps in the Region**

Regulators asked TSOs about the latest progress on the interconnection agreements. TSOs explained that they have already in place interconnection agreements approved in 2009, which comply with most of the NC’s requirements. However, TSOs have begun to work in the issues that need to be improved. A first draft interconnection agreement is currently under discussion by the French and Spanish TSO. TSOs will keep a common approach for the interconnection agreements on the different borders, although the specificities of these agreements must differ, due to the different technical characteristics between French-Spanish and Portuguese-Spanish interconnections. Regulators asked TSOs to speed up the drafting process, since the implementation deadline for the interoperability NC is 30th April 2016.

**Participants agreed that TSOs will explain in detail the work on the interconnection agreements, as well as other adaptations to the IO NC, in the next IG meeting.**

**IV. SGRI Work Plan for 2017-2018**

The current Work Plan of the SGRI finishes this year, and it is necessary to decide the work areas for the next future. Some attendants proposed considering the implementation of the Balancing NC and market integration as main priorities. Other possible work areas mentioned in the meeting were the GRIPs and the follow-up of the capacity use at interconnections.

**Participants will send their proposals for the SGRI WP 2017-2018 to Regulators by e-mail. These proposals will be discussed in the next IG meeting.**

Next meetings: In-person meeting in Madrid in May (first option on 31st, but final date to be decided by e-mail).