



Gas Transmission Europe

Transparency Workshop

Introductory Remarks

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Transparency

- One of three **key principles** of market liberalisation (transparency, non-discrimination, objectivity)
- Should reflect in all areas of TSO's activity but the liberalisation process tends to highlight the transparency issue in different areas at different times depending on the level of liberalisation of the market and the current issues
- Many transparency initiatives in the recent years
 - GGP, 2002-2003 (now attached to Regulation (EC) 1775/2005)
 - GRI NW 'Wish-list', 2007-2008
 - ERGEG Monitoring Report I & II, 2007-2008
 - GTE Transparency Platform, 2007-2009
 - Minimum Transparency Requirements List (MinTra List), 2008

MinTra list

- Initiative launched at MF-15 (Nov 2008) by EFET, Eurogas, Eurelectric, OGP, GEODE, CEDEC, and later joined by IFIEC
- Seems to express frustration of network users regarding different level of transparency in different markets
- TSOs understand there is still room for improvement but
 - the MinTra list should not create an impression that not much has been done so far and there is generally little transparency
 - nor should the MinTra list try to harmonize access conditions through unified transparency requirements; specific national regulatory frameworks need to be considered for implementation

GTE's General Principles

- GTE has defined three principles for implementation of more transparency*
 - the information release will not prejudice any TSO customer or other industry stakeholder
 - the information release will not prejudice the TSO
 - the information provider should be rewarded for the publication
- Also, relevant development and maintenance costs need to be covered
 - TSOs need a clear signal from individual NRAs regarding the coverage of implementation costs
- Reasonable timeline for implementation needs to be defined