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GAS FLOWS THROUGH INTERCONNECTOR CHANGE DIRECTION

In response to customer nominations, operations to change the physical flow direction through the Interconnector will commence at 0600 19th December 2001. The flow direction will change from physical export to continental Europe to UK import mode.

The direction of gas flow in the Interconnector is a function of market demand, as the pipeline system responds to nominations of volumes and flow direction from its customers (or shippers). Likewise the duration of flow in this new direction will also be subject to market demand and subsequent nominations.

Interconnector (UK) Limited - background

Interconnector (UK) Ltd, or IUK, operates a sub-sea gas pipeline and terminal facilities connecting the UK and continental Europe. The company's 40" diameter carbon steel pipeline stretches 230 kilometres between Bacton in north Norfolk and Zeebrugge in Belgium. It is capable of transporting 20 billion cubic metres of gas a year (bcm/yr) from Bacton to Zeebrugge and 8.5 bcm/yr in the opposite direction. Owned by ten major energy companies, IUK has sold capacity in the pipeline to gas shippers. A dedicated and award-winning IT system, ISIS, manages the volumes and flows and provides constantly updated information to IUK and its shippers. Further information on IUK can be obtained from <http://www.iuk-isis.com>

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