

# Media Release



## Interconnector (UK) Limited

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### **GAS FLOWS THROUGH INTERCONNECTOR CHANGE DIRECTION**

In response to customers' nominations, Interconnector (UK) Ltd will undertake the necessary operations to change the physical gas flow direction through the Interconnector. This will commence at 06:00 hours Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2004. The physical flow direction will change from "Reverse Flow Mode" (UK Imports) to "Forward Flow Mode" (export from the UK to Continental Europe). The change is planned to be complete within 24 hours.

The direction of gas flow through the Interconnector is a function of market demand. The pipeline system responds to nominated volumes and flow direction from its customers (or Gas 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 pipeline and terminal facilities connecting the UK and continental Europe. The company's 40" diameter pipeline stretches 230 kilometres between Bacton in north Norfolk and Zeebrugge in Belgium. It is capable of transporting 20 billion cubic metres a year (bcm/yr) from Bacton to Zeebrugge and 8.5 bcm/yr in the opposite direction.

Owned by ten major 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 customers.

Further information on IUK can be obtained from [www.interconnector.com](http://www.interconnector.com)

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