

# Media Release



## Interconnector (UK) Limited

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Interconnector (UK) Ltd advised today that a flow constraint had been issued to I(UK) shippers at 16:00hrs following excessive amounts of solids being received in the gas from the Transco terminal at Bacton.

Flow rates were cut back from record export levels by approximately 30% when filters started to block, following the pigging of an NTS feeder line. This was one of a series of pigs which Transco has been running in recent weeks. Whilst Interconnector has managed to keep gas flowing during the previous pigging runs when the presence of solids was also experienced, on this occasion the volume of “out of specification” gas being nominated was too great to continue normal operation.

It is expected to resume normal flow in approximately 6 hours following the cleaning of filters, subject to an improvement in the quality of gas being received.

### **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 carbon steel 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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