

Media Release



Interconnector (UK) Limited

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WATER DEWPOINT UPDATE

Following detailed investigation into the benefits and risks associated with a pigging operation to remove water contamination, a pig will be launched from Bacton this afternoon. This first pig is a profile pig which will confirm the internal characteristics of the pipeline and should provide additional information on the level of contamination. The pig will take a minimum of four days to reach IZT, depending on slippage, giving an estimated arrival time of the evening of Friday 3rd October 2003 based on current rates.

During the pig run dry gas will of course continue to enter the line at Bacton and in the event that gas quality at IZT improves, rates will increase, subject to the agreement of Fluxys.

Further pigs may be required, however these pigs will not be launched until results from the first pig are analysed at the weekend. Disruption could therefore continue into week commencing 6th October 2003.

A further media release will be made at 16:00 hours on Friday 3rd October or earlier in the event of new information becoming available.

INTERCONNECTOR (UK) LIMITED – BACKGROUND

Interconnector (UK) Ltd, or I(UK), 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 I(UK) 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 I(UK) and its customers.

Further information on I(UK) can be obtained from www.interconnector.com

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