

Media Release



Interconnector (UK) Limited

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INTERCONNECTOR CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT

Interconnector (UK) Limited advised customers today that the first part of a two phase expansion project is expected to commence operation on Tuesday 8th November 2005.

“It has always been our ambition to start using the new facilities as soon as possible to gain maximum operational experience before winter flows reach peak levels, but continued forward flow nominations prompted by mild weather and some late technical hitches have contrived to work against us” advised Roger Cornish. “However, we are ahead of plan and on budget, and expect to make a good contribution to the UK’s requirement for gas this winter”.

This first phase of the expansion will increase UK import capacity from 8.5 to 16.5 billion cubic metres per year (bcm/y). A second phase to increase UK import capacity to 23.5 bcm/y remains on target for a 1st December 2006.

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 currently 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 seven 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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