

## **ERGEG Gas Focus Group/Storage TF**

### **Guidelines for Good Practice for Gas Storage System Operators (GGPSSO)**

### **Questionnaire for SSOs**

#### **Introduction**

The objective of this questionnaire is to collect information from SSOs to assist in monitoring the implementation of the GGPSSO as requested by the European Commission.

The GGPSSO set out the minimum requirements for the provision of fair and non-discriminatory access to gas storage (in accordance to the Gas Directive<sup>1</sup>). Monitoring implementation of the GGPSSO is therefore important in understanding how access to gas storage is being provided.

Not all requirements under the GGPSSO are due to be implemented from 1 April 2005 – however it will be important to understand what progress SSOs are making towards implementing these later requirements.

The deadline for the completion of the questionnaire is **20 June 2005**.

If there are late or incomplete submissions after date they will be considered as “nil” returns. SSOs are required to indicate the date from which GGPSSO requirements were met –particularly where this after 1 April 2005.

In order to ensure that all interested parties are consulted, ERGEG will also send out questionnaires to national regulatory authorities and storage users. The view of storage users will be particularly important in assessing implementation of the GGPSSO.

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<sup>1</sup> Directive 2003/55/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning common rules for the internal market in natural gas and repealing Directive 98/30/EC

EREG intends to publish an initial report on the implementation of the GGPSSO in September 2005 and it expects to present these findings at the next Madrid Forum. EREG intends to issue a final report on implementation after it has an opportunity to consider responses to its initial report.

**To help ensure transparency, responses to the questionnaire and other documents associated with the GGPSSO will be published on the EREG website. Any requests to keep information confidential will be considered in accordance with the relevant section of the GGPSSO that deals with the publication of the information. If you want any information to be treated as confidential this should be objectively justified and outlined clearly – taking into account the requirements of the GGPSSO. Any information that is to be treated as confidential should be placed in a separate appendix.**

Please note that in order to allow for maximum common understanding of data, the answers provided by SSOs will be reviewed by the national regulatory authority.

Given that EREG's initial report will be published in September, we request that SSOs provide an addendum to their original submission if there are significant changes to the information that they provide, between 20 June and the beginning of September (1 September). This will ensure that the report is as up to date as possible and avoid misrepresenting the position of the SSOs.

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## Questionnaire

### 1 General

**1.1 Business name of respondent:** Gaz de France (storage)

**1.2 Is access to your storage system provided:**

(a) on a regulated basis	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) on a negotiated basis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) both (please provide comments below)	<input type="checkbox"/>
notes:	

**1.3 Is access provided:**

(a) to a given storage facility	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) to a group of storage facilities in the same balancing zone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) other (please provide comments below)	<input type="checkbox"/>
notes:	

*if you answer that access is provided to a given storage facility/to a group of storage, please assume that all following answers will be interpreted accordingly*

**1.4 If access to storage is not provided to individual storage facilities, please provide details (e.g. how many groups, how many sites within group) and specify how this is arranged:**

answer:

Gaz de France provides access to the following six storage groups: Picardie (consisting of one storage site), Lorraine (consisting of one storage site), Ile de France Nord (consisting of two storage sites), Ile de France Sud (consisting of three storage sites), Centre (consisting of three storage sites), Salins Sud (consisting of two storage sites).

**1.5 How many system users own capacity rights (date of reference: 8 March 2006)**

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**1.6 National framework:**

(a) do you believe that there is a conflict between the requirements of the GGPSSO and national legislation that will materially affect either your interests or your ability to comply with the GGPSSO?	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) if "yes", did you notify your relevant national regulatory authority (GGPSSO Scope and Objective)?	<input type="checkbox"/>

## 2 Roles and responsibilities of Storage System Operators

### 2.1 Please specify if you are (GGPSSO 1.1):

(a) a separate entity (i.e. ownership unbundling)	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) a separate entity (i.e. legal unbundling)	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) part of a “combined operator” (i.e. combined transmission, LNG, storage and distribution storage operator, legally unbundled from other activities not relating to transmission, LNG, storage and distribution system operations)	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) part of a vertically integrated company (i.e. unbundling of accounts)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

### 2.2 In the case of a SSO being part of a vertically integrated company:

(a) please provide details on the ownership structure. If an ownership diagram is available, please attach it to the completed questionnaire.	
Gaz de France's share capital was as follows on 8 September 2005 : State: 80.2 %; Institutional and public investors: 17.5 %; Employees: 2.3 %.	
(b) please specify if you have drawn up a document setting out all the terms and conditions relating to storage use by the affiliate company (GGPSSO 1.3).	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

### 2.3 Please specify if you (GGPSSO 1.2.b):

(a) have developed and use standard storage contracts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) have developed and use a storage code (approved by national relevant regulatory authority)	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) consulted users in developing the standard storage contracts or the storage code	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

### 2.4 Please provide details on how the consultation process for developing standard storage contracts/storage code was conducted (relating to GGPSSO 1.2.b)

(a) bilateral contacts with some users	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) bilateral contacts with all users and some prospects	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) open consultation process, with some sort of public announcement (e.g. on company website, by press, at a conference)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(d) consultation process supervised by relevant national regulatory authority	<input type="checkbox"/>
(e) other ( <i>please specify below</i> )	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<p>Changes to offers are discussed during Customer Conventions, bringing together thirty or so customers and prospects which are held at least twice a year. The last Customer Convention was held on 30 March 2006 (presentation of the day ahead service offer and discussion about the definition of secondary market).</p> <p>CRE also conducted a public consultation on the offer from 15 December 2004 to 14 January 2005, which also led to changes in the offer on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2005.</p>	

## 3 Necessary TPA services

### 3.1 Please provide the following data in normalised cubic meters (date of reference: 8 March 2006) (GGPSSO 3.1)

On 4 April 2006	Space	Injectability	Deliverability
• technical capacity	103,2 TWh	1177,3 GWh/j	2225,4 GWh/j
• available capacity	0,45 TWh	12 GWh/j	16 GWh/j
• contracted or held capacity	102,7 TWh	1165,3 GWh/j	2209,4 GWh/j
(a) any storage capacity not available to TPA on the grounds of article 2(9) of the Gas Directive, with substantiated reasons <sup>2</sup>	1,82 TWh	44 GWh/j	200 GWh/j
notes: (d) capacities excluded from TPA only concern capacities reserved for the transmission system operator.			
(b) any other capacity excluded from TPA – other than the portion used for production operations and facilities reserved exclusively for the TSO	0	0	0
notes: this information concerns the 2006-2007 storage year. (a) The technical capacities do not include the capacities taken out by the transmission system operator. (a), (b), (c) : all offers included, excluded capacities reserved for the transmission system operator GRTgaz.			

**3.2 Please indicate if Public Service Obligations (PSO) in your country are placed on (relating to GGPSSO 3.2, 3.5, 3.6-3-15):**

(a) the SSO	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) the shippers	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) no PSO	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(d) only concerns the transmission system operators.	

(a) : Gaz de France does not consider that the Public Service Obligations of SSOs, as described in decree No. 2004-251 of 19 March 2004 relating to public service obligations (essentially consisting of an information obligation on the part of storage operators), are applicable to articles 3.2, 3.5, 3.6.

**3.3 Capacity for Public Service Obligations (hereafter PSO):**

(a) is storage capacity needed for any PSO offered on a TPA basis? (GGPSSO 3.2)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> for suppliers
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The level of obligations is not laid down by French law (see article 39 of the law of 9 August 2004, relating to article 30-2 of the law 2003-8 of 3 January 2003) and should be stipulated in a future decree.

**3.4 If any capacity needed for any PSO is NOT offered on a TPA basis, please state why:**

(a) national legislation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) other	<input type="checkbox"/>
notes: this only concerns the public service obligations of the transmission system operator, GRTgaz (see answer 3.1.d).	

<sup>2</sup> Storage facility means a facility used for the stocking of natural gas and owned and/or operated by a natural gas undertaking, including the part of LNG facilities used for storage but excluding the portion used for production operations, and excluding facilities reserved exclusively for transmission system operators in carrying out their functions

**3.5 Please provide the following data in normalised cubic meters for PSO, where NOT offered on a TPA basis (date of reference: 1 April 2005)**

	<i>Space</i>	<i>Injectability</i>	<i>Deliverability</i>
(a) normalised cubic meters			

cf. 3.1.d

**3.6 Do you offer the following services on the primary market (GGPSSO 3.3, 3.5, 3.7):**

(a) bundled services (SBU) of space and injectability/deliverability	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) a service which includes an obligation for the SSO to allocate the gas which has been nominated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) injection and withdrawal are possible at any time	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
notes:	

**3.7 Are the following services separately charged (GGPSSO 3.3., 3.5, 3.7)?**

(a) a service which includes an obligation for the SSO to allocate the gas which has been nominated	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) injection and withdrawal are possible at any time	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
notes: (b) an annual free changes of direction credit (18 or 24, depending on the group) is assigned to each of the groups.	

**3.8 Where some services have NOT been introduced, please state why (GGPSSO 3.4.b, 3.5, 3.6, 3.7):**

Obligation for the SSO to allocate according to nominations	
(a) consistent with the use of the interconnected gas transmission system	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) not compatible with the balancing regime of the interconnected gas transportation system	<input type="checkbox"/>
Injection and withdrawal possible at any time	
(c) storage technical constraints	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) economically use of the storage infrastructure	<input type="checkbox"/>
(e) consistent with the use of the interconnected gas transmission system	<input type="checkbox"/>
(f) not consistent with PSOs	<input type="checkbox"/>

**3.9 If any of these services (please specify) has not been introduced for any other reason, please explain why**

explanation:
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**3.10 Where there are limitations on the offer of services on the ground of either storage technical constraints or the economically efficient use of the storage infrastructure:**

(a) was it made public and substantiated (GGPSSO 3.4.b)?	<input type="checkbox"/>
reasons for limitations:	

**3.11 Please indicate if services offered have been developed with consultation of storage users to take into account market demand. If “yes”, please provide details on how the consultation process was conducted (GGPSSO 3.4.a)**

(a) bilateral contacts with some users	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) bilateral contacts with all users and some prospects	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) open consultation process, with some sort of public announcement (e.g. on company website, by press, at a conference)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(d) consultation process supervised by relevant national regulatory authority	<input type="checkbox"/>
(e) other ( <i>please specify below</i> )	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<p>Changes to offers are discussed during Customer Conventions, bringing together thirty or so customers and prospects which are held at least twice a year. The last Customer Convention was held on 30 March 2006 (presentation of the day ahead service and discussion about the definition of secondary market).</p> <p>CRE also conducted a public consultation on the offer from 15 December 2004 to 14 January 2005, which also led to changes in the offer on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2005.</p>	

**3.12 Please specify the minimum size for each service (GGPSSO 3.8)**

	<i>Space</i>	<i>Injectability</i>	<i>Deliverability</i>
(a) bundled services (SBU) of space and injectability/deliverability	<i>No limits</i>	<i>No limits</i>	<i>No limits</i>
(b) injection and withdrawal are possible at any time	<i>No limits</i>	<i>No limits</i>	<i>No limits</i>

**3.13 Are storage users allowed to pool their nominations with a view to overcome potential capacity thresholds (GGPSSO 3.8)?**

Answer (see the above answer to the extent the question is applicable to the Gaz de France offer):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
notes:..	

**3.14 Please specify the maximum duration for each service offered by your SSO (GGPSSO 3.3.c)**

(a) bundled services (SBU) of space and injectability/deliverability	<i>No limits</i>
(b) other services	<i>No limits</i>
notes:	

**3.15 Please specify if you have developed information systems and electronic communications to provide adequate data to storage users and to simplify transactions such as:**

	Email	Internet	Other
(a) nominations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) capacity bookings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) transfers of capacity rights between storage users	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) other (contractual information, customer data, maintenance, etc.)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**4 Storage capacity allocation and congestion management**

**4.1 What kind of capacity allocation mechanism do you apply (several answers possible, if mechanism applied different, depending on the storage facility/group of storage facilities)? (GGPSSO 4.1)**

(a) market-based (e.g. auctions)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) first come first served	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) capacity follows the customer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(d) other (please specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>notes: (a) this allocation mechanism was applied for a total of 400 GWh, sold by auction in February 2006.</p> <p>(c) this allocation mechanism is applied to the capacities corresponding to the public service obligations of suppliers as described in the law of 9 August 2004, which represents most of the capacity under TPA</p>	

**4.2 Is the capacity allocation mechanism designed:**

(a) by the SSO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) by national legislation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) other (please specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>notes: the contractual congestion management and capacity allocation mechanism is to be published in the form of a decree implementing the law of 9 August 2004. In the meantime, Gaz de France applies, on a transparent, non discriminatory basis, temporary allocation principles which have been submitted to the CRE and Ministry departments and which are published on the Gaz de France – DGI (Direction des Grandes Infrastructures) site.</p>	

**4.3 Have these mechanisms and procedures been subject to consultation with storage users. If “yes”, please provide details on how the consultation process was conducted (GGPSSO 4.1.e)**

(a) bilateral contacts with some users	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) bilateral contacts with all users and some prospects	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) open consultation process, with some sort of public announcement (e.g. on company website, by press, at a conference)	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) consultation process supervised by relevant national authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(e) other (please specify below)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<p>notes:</p> <p>(d) the competent Ministry initiated a consultation process with all those involved in the aforementioned decree project, in September 2005.</p> <p>(e) the regulatory authorities have been kept informed of these aspects.</p>	



#### 4.4 In case of congestion, what kind of solution do you apply or plan to apply (GGPSSO 4.2)

(a) market based (e.g. auctions)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) pro rata	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) other ( <i>please specify below</i> )	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) for technical congestion.	
(c) French law (see. article 38 of the law of 9 August 2004, relating to article 30-1 of the law 2003-8 of 3 January 2003), provides for an access priority: 1) for the correct operation and balancing of the network 2) to meet the requirements of some categories of end consumers, 3) for the others public service obligations.	

#### 4.5 Is the congestion management mechanism designed:

(a) by the SSO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) by national legislation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) other ( <i>please specify below</i> )	<input type="checkbox"/>
notes: the contractual congestion management and capacity allocation mechanism is to be published in the form of a decree implementing the law of 9 August 2004.	

#### 4.6 The congestion management mechanism:

(a) has it ever been used?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
notes: Gaz de France has already used its congestion management rules in the event of technical congestion (technical incident for example). However, it has never had to manage contractual congestion (lack of available capacity).	

#### 4.7 Unused capacity (e.g. day-ahead release of non-nominated injectability and deliverability) (GGPSSO 4.4):

(a) do you offer all unused capacity on an interruptible basis?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reserved and non-nominated withdrawal and injection capacities are to be sold on an interruptible basis, on 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2006.	

#### 4.8 Do you use other means to discourage hoarding and facilitate re-utilisation and trade of storage capacity? Please specify the nature of these arrangements

<p>answer :</p> <p>Gaz de France has an Internet bulletin board providing information on capacity purchasing/sales demands between storage customers.</p> <p>The names of customers are given on the Gaz de France Internet site with their agreement.</p> <p>The allocation rule published by Gaz de France defines storage rights according to the needs of suppliers directly or indirectly supplying end customers, classified by type. This mechanism thus prevents a supplier blocking capacity beyond its rights and contributes to preventing improper reservation of capacity.</p> <p>The implementation of the service described in 4.7 facilitates the re-utilisation of storage capacities</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
notes: we have not had to solve capacity hoarding problems.	

## 5 Confidentiality requirements

### 5.1 Please indicate if you (GGPSSO 5.1.a-c):

(a) keep databases related to storage operations separate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) develop new IT systems for the storage business separately (when new IT systems are being developed in vertically integrated undertakings)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) ensure that no information available to the SSO concerning its storage business is passed to any other part of any affiliate of the company in advance of being provided to all market participants	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(d) have drafted a code of conduct	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(e) have implemented a compliance programme, supervised by a Compliance Officer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

### 5.2 If these measures have been monitored or supervised externally, please specify by whom (relating to 5.1.a-c)

(a) national regulatory authority	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) another relevant national regulatory authority (please specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) external audit	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) other ( <i>please specify below</i> )	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
notes: the regulatory authorities are informed of protection of confidentiality measures.	

### 5.3 Are the SSO and the supply business located in separate buildings (GGPSSO 5.1.d)?

answer: yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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## 6 Transparency requirements

### 6.1 Are the following commercial terms published (GGPSSO 6.4.a-d):

	<i>In national language</i>	<i>In English</i>	<i>On the internet</i>	<i>Free of charge</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>
(a) if rTPA: tariffs and tariff methodologies for each service offered	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) if nTPA: main commercial conditions including the prices for standard services	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) If nTPA: updates of main commercial conditions including the prices for standard services, whenever the SSO changes them	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) services offered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(e) storage code	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(f) main storage standard conditions for each service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(g) rights and responsibilities of all users	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(h) rules (e.g. periods) for counter flows during injection and withdrawal	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(i) rules of storage capacity transfer in case of customer switching (if any)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(j) storage capacity allocation provisions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(k) congestion management provisions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(l) anti-hoarding provisions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(m) re-utilisation provisions	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(n) auction terms (where applicable)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(o) rules applicable for storage capacity trade on the secondary market vis-à-vis the SSO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(p) rules and charges applicable to storage penalties from storage users	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(q) compensation payments from the SSO to storage users	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(r) user-friendly instruments for calculating charges for a specific service (e.g. a tariff calculator)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### 6.2 Is the following operational information published (GGPSSO 6.5.a-e, 6.6.a-c, 6.9, 6.10):

	<i>In national language</i>	<i>In English</i>	<i>In energy units or ncm</i>	<i>Online information system</i>	<i>Free of charge</i>
(a) technical storage capacity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) available storage capacity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(c) contracted or held storage capacity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(d) aggregated inflows and outflows at least on a weekly basis for the immediately preceding week	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(e) historical utilization rates at least on a weekly basis for the immediately preceding week	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(f) user-friendly instruments for verifying online the level of available and/or unused storage capacity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(g) maps indicating the location of their storage facilities and the connecting points of the storage facilities to the relevant network	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(h) methods of determining available storage capacity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(i) operational parameters, including the rules of ownership and use of working gas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(j) TSO's pre-emptive rights with operational rules and processes attached	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(k) any storage capacity not available to TPA on the grounds of article 2(9) of the Gas Directive, with substantiated reasons	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(l) all planned maintenance periods that might affect storage users' rights from storage contracts, at least once a year	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(m) the operational information corresponding to planned maintenance periods with adequate advance notice	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(n) regular updates on details, expected duration and effect of the maintenance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> (1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(1) not applicable.

### 6.3 Where you have not published specific data, please state why (relating to GGPSSO 6.2., 6.3)

(a) less than three users (information about the aggregate use of storage)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) three users or more, but still commercial sensitivity of information	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) reasons of cost (or substantial IT development needed)	<input type="checkbox"/>
(d) to avoid any potential market abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>
(e) to avoid significant harm to storage users commercial interest	<input type="checkbox"/>
(f) other (please specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/>
notes: from the 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2006 onwards, the aggregated data of all groups will be published automatically; at this time, the number of customers in each group should be three or more.	

- 6.4** If you have not published information as required by the GGPSSO about the aggregate use of storage, on the ground that such publication would harm the commercial interest of user(s), are any alternative data published (e.g. aggregate inflows and outflows on a monthly –or any other frequency- basis, non-numerical data)? Please specify and justify why this is the case (relating to GGPSSO 6.3)

answer:
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- 6.5** Where unplanned disruptions in access to the storage services occur, do you ensure that (GGPSSO 6.8):

(a) current system users are notified of that disruption as soon as possible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) information concerning the maintenance and disruptions that have occurred is made available upon request to those affected by the disruption	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## **7 Storage penalties**

- 7.1** Is there a clause or provision in the storage contract/code providing for compensation payments to the storage users in the event you fail to fulfil contractual obligations (GGPSSO 8.1.a)?

answer: yes
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## 8 Secondary markets

### 8.1 Are registered users allowed to trade in the secondary market (GGPSSO 9.1)

(a) bundled services only	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(b) both bundled and unbundled services	<input type="checkbox"/>

### 8.2 Have you developed and used standardised contracts and procedures on the primary market to facilitate secondary trade of storage capacity (GGPSSO 9.1)?

answer:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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The storage access contract provides for the possibility of transfer of capacity between customers. Provision is then made for the quantities reserved on the primary market to be revised for the customers concerned.

### 8.3 Is there a clause in the storage code/contract referring to or addressing secondary storage capacity trading explicitly (relating to GGPSSO 9.1)?

answer:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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The storage access contract provides for the possibility of transfer of capacity between customers. Provision is then made for the quantities reserved on the primary market to be revised for the customers concerned.

### Do you provide an electronic platform or bulletin board to facilitate secondary storage capacity trading (GGPSSO 9.2, 9.3)

answer:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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### 8.4 Have you taken any other steps to facilitate secondary storage capacity trading (GGPSSO 9.1)? Please specify how

answer: the names of customers are given on the Gaz de France Internet site with their agreement
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## 9 Implementation of the other GGPSSO requirements

### 9.1 Necessary TPA Services – please indicate if you:

	<i>As of 8 mars 2006</i>	<i>Planned date of introduction</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>
(a) offer unbundled services supplementing SBUs at least for available storage capacity at the beginning of the storage year (GGPSSO 3.3.b)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) offer short-term (<1 year) services down to a minimum period of one day (GGPSSO 3.3.c)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) offer both firm and interruptible storage services (GGPSSO 3.3.d)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>

### 9.2 Where not already provided, please provide brief details on steps you plan to take to facilitate their introduction

### 9.3 Secondary market – please indicate if you:

	<i>As of 15 mars 2006</i>	<i>Planned date of introduction</i>	<i>Not applicable</i>
(a) allow for title transfer for both bundled and unbundled capacities (GGPSSO 9.1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (bundled capacities)	Before 1st December 2006 (*) (unbundled capacities)	<input type="checkbox"/>
(b) recognise the transfer of rights where notified by storage users for both bundled and unbundled capacities (GGPSSO 9.1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (bundled capacities)	Before 1st December 2006 (*) (unbundled capacities)	<input type="checkbox"/>
(c) allow the new owner to aggregate such storage capacity operationally (GGPSSO 9.1)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (*)		<input type="checkbox"/>

(\*) as long as this remains compatible with the type of services provided on the primary market.

### 9.4 Where not already provided, please provide brief details on steps you plan to take to facilitate their introduction

answer: Gaz de France's information system needs to be developed to make the operation of the secondary market fully operational for unbundled capacities.

## ***Appendix***

### ***Definitions***

**Available storage capacity** means the part of the technical storage capacity that is not contracted or held by storage users at that moment and still available to the storage users for firm and interruptible services, and is not excluded from TPA under Article 2(9) of the Gas Directive (Definition 1 of the GGPSSO)

**Storage capacity** is space (expressed in normal cubic meters or energy), injectability and deliverability (expressed in normal cubic meters or energy per time unit). All of them can be firm or interruptible (Definition 17 of the GGPSSO)

**Storage facility** means a facility used for the stocking of natural gas and owned and/or operated by a natural gas undertaking, including the part of LNG facilities used for storage but excluding the portion used for production operations, and excluding facilities reserved exclusively for transmission system operators in carrying out their functions (Definition 18 of the GGPSSO)

**Technical storage capacity** is the maximum storage capacity (injectability, deliverability and space) that the SSO can offer to storage users, excluding storage capacity for SSOs operational needs