

Market-based Balancing -Framework Guideline

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Background

- Article 8 (6) of the Gas Regulation:
 - (j) balancing rules including network-related rules on nominations procedure, rules for imbalance charges and rules for operational balancing between transmission system operators' systems;
- balancing as second framework guideline / network code



 scope and procedures as determined by Commission's letter of 6 August 2010



Scope

- The purpose of the pilot framework guideline is to enhance the functioning of European gas market
 - setting the basis for market-based balancing rules as required under Article 21 of the Gas Regulation
 - » facilitating the creation of cross-border balancing zones
- Balancing actions shall interact with and stimulate gas markets
 - » procuring and selling balancing gas by TSOs
 - » settling of imbalances
 - » imbalance charges
 - interaction among network users
 - » no separate arrangements for balancing gas
- Transitional arrangements
- harmonised settlement period, including gas day
- transparency requirements
- TSO cooperation



Procedure

- ERGEG to assume the role assigned to the Agency
- apply the procedures and obligations as defined in the Gas Regulation, in particular with regard to transparency and consultation obligations
- submit to the Commission a non-binding framework guideline within six months
- without prejudice to actual work of the Agency and to implications from gas market model discussion

