

TARIFFS FOR ACCESS TO THE TRANSMISSION NETWORK AND GAS TRANSMISSION AND CONDITIONS FOR THEIR APPLICATION

as approved by the decision of the Regulatory Office for Network Industries No. 0002/2025/P of 5 June 2024, which amends the decision No. 0031/2023/P of 13 February 2023 in accordance with the decision No. 0001/2025/P of 05 June 2024, which amends the decision No. 0040/2019P of 29 May 2019

for the period from 1 January 2025 till 31 December 2027

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- A. Tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission
 - 1. Tariffs applicable to booked daily transmission capacity for entry/exit point Vel'ké Kapušany, for entry/exit point Budince and for entry/exit point domestic point
 - 1.1. Initial tariff rates applicable at entry points (n) to the transmission network in the calendar year 2025 are as follows:

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	Initial tariff rate at entry point (n) (P _{0en(n)(m)(2025)}) (EUR/(MWh/d)/y)			
Tariff Group				
(booked daily				
capacity, T _{en(m)})	Veľké Kapušany	Budince	Domestic point	
T _{en1} (up to and including 18,200 MWh/d)	365.0	365.0	328.5	
T _{en2} (from 18,200 MWh/d up to and including 100,000 MWh/d)	365.0	365.0	328.5	
T _{en3} (from 100,000 MWh/d up to and including 416,000 MWh/d)	365.0	365.0	328.5	
T _{en4} (from 416,000 MWh/d up to and including 1,372,800 MWh/d)	365.0	365.0	328.5	
T _{en5} (above 1,372,800 MWh/d)	365.0	365.0	328.5	

The final tariff rate at entry point (n) to the transmission network to be applied in the relevant calendar year (t) shall be determined as follows:

 $P_{en(n)(t)} = P_{0en(n)(m)(t)} \times (1 - \alpha_{(m)(t)}/1 \ 000 \ 000 \times C_{en(n)(t)}) \times I_{y/m/d}$

where

 $P_{en(n)(t)}$ is the final tariff rate at entry point (n) to the transmission network to be applied in the relevant calendar year (t) (in EUR/(MWh/d)/y) for the relevant agreed transmission period within calendar year (t);

$\alpha_{(m)(t)}$	is the daily capacity factor for tariff group (m) for the entry point (n) to the transmission network for calendar year (t) (in d/MWh);	
Cen(n)(t)	is the contracted daily capacity at entry point (n) to the transmission network for calendar year (t) (in MWh/d)	
I _{y/m/d}	is the duration factor;	
n	is the respective entry point, for which the final rate for calendar year (t) is	
	to be determined;	
t	is the calendar year, for which the final rate for entry point (n) is to be	
	determined;	
m = 1	for any C _{en(n)(t)} up to and including 18,200 MWh/d	
m = 2	for any C _{en(n)(t)} in the range from 18,200 MWh/d up to and including	
	100,000 MWh/d	
m = 3	for any C _{en(n)(t)} in the range from 100,000 MWh/d up to and including	
	416,000 MWh/d	
m = 4	for any C _{en(n)(t)} in the range from 416,000 MWh/d up to and including	
	1,372,800 MWh/d	
m = 5	for any C _{en(n)(t)} above 1,372,800 MWh/d	
$\alpha_{(m)(t)} = 0$, for m = 1 to m = 5.		

1.2. Initial tariff rates applicable at exit points (n) from the transmission network in the calendar year 2025 are as follows:

Tariff Group	Initial tariff rate at exit point (n) (P _{0ex(n)(m)(2025)}) (EUR/(MWh/d)/y)			
(booked daily capacity, T _{ex(m)})	Veľké Kapušany	Budince	Domáci bod	
T _{ex1} (up to and including 18,200 MWh/d)	365.0	365.0	328.5	
T _{ex2} (from 18,200 MWh/d up to and including 100,000 MWh/d)	365.0	365.0	328.5	
T _{ex3} (from 100,000 MWh/d up to and including 416,000 MWh/d)	365.0	365.0	328.5	
T _{ex4} (from 416,000 MWh/d up to and including 1,372,800 MWh/d)	365.0	365.0	328.5	
T _{ex5} (above 1,372,800 MWh/d)	365.0	365.0	328.5	

Table No. 2

The final tariff rate at exit point (n) from the transmission network to be applied in the relevant calendar year (t) shall be determined as follows:

 $P_{ex(n)(t)} = P_{0ex(n)(m)(t)} \times (1 - \alpha_{(m)(t)}/1,000,000 \times C_{ex(n)(t)}) \times I_{y/m/d}$

where

Pex(n)(t)	is the final tariff rate at exit point (n) from the transmission network to be applied in the relevant calendar year (t) (in EUR/(MWh/d)/y) for the relevant agreed transmission period within calendar year (t);
$\alpha_{(m)(t)}$	is the daily capacity factor for tariff group (m) for the exit point (n) from the transmission network for calendar year (t) (in d/MWh);
Cex(n)(t)	is the contracted daily capacity at exit point (n) from the transmission network for calendar year (t) (in MWh/d);
I _{y/m/d}	is the duration factor;
n	is the respective exit point, for which the final rate for calendar year (t) is
	to be determined;
t	is the calendar year, for which the final rate for exit point (n) is to be
	determined;
m = 1	for any $C_{ex(n)(t)}$ up to and including 18,200 MWh/d
m = 2	for any $C_{ex(n)(t)}$ in the range from 18,200 MWh/d up to and including
	100,000 MWh/d
m = 3	for any C _{ex(n)(t)} in the range from 100,000 MWh/d up to and including
	416,000 MWh/d
m = 4	for any C _{ex(n)(t)} in the range from 416,000 MWh/d up to and including
	1,372,800 MWh/d
m = 5	for any $C_{ex(n)(t)}$ above 1,372,800 MWh/d
$\alpha_{(m)(t)}=0,$	for $m = 1$ to $m = 5$.

2. Tariffs applicable to the quantity of actually transmitted gas for all entry/exit points

Tariffs applicable to the quantity of actually transmitted gas are for the period from 1 January 2025 as follows:

- a flow-based charge (hereinafter reffered also to as "gas for the operational purposes")

A flow-based charge is determined according to the § 12(1)(g), § 14(11)(21) of the Act No. 250/2012 Coll. on regulation in network industries, as later amended and supplemented by consequential amendments, in conjunction with the Article 27(4) and Article 28(1) of the Commission Regulation (EU) 2017/460 of 16 March 2017 establishing a network code on harmonized transmission tariff structures for gas and Article 41(6)(a) of the Directive 2009/73/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 July 2009

concerning common rules for the internal market in natural gas and repealing Directive 2003/55/EC and Article 13 of the Regulation (EC) No 715/2009 of 13 July 2009 on conditions for access to the natural gas transmission networks and repealing Regulation (EC) No 1775/2005 in the amount of 1.7% of gas flow transmitted, namely:

- i. 0.85% at an enry point
- ii. 0.85% at an exit point

Transmission network user and transmission system operator (eustream) may also agree in the contract on the provision of gas for operational purposes in financial terms. In such case, the provision of section 3.11. of the part B. (Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission) shall apply.

3. Price for interruptible capacity for entry/exit point Vel'ké Kapušany, for entry/exit point Budince and for entry/exit point domestic point

The price for access to the transmission network and gas transmission for calendar year (t) shall, in case of interruptible capacity, reflect the probability of interruption. In such case, the annual payment $P_{(n)(t)}$ for access and transmission of gas via respective entry/exit point (n) for calendar year (t) shall, for a yearly contract, be calculated by the following formula:

$$P_{(n)(t)} = P_{an\text{-}t} / \ y \times \sum_{n=1}^{y} [L_I]$$

where

$P_{(n)(t)}$	is the annual payment for access and transmission of gas via entry/exit point	
	(n),	
Pan-t	is the annual payment for transmission capacity without interruption,	
У	is the total number of days in the relevant year,	
$L_I -$	is the factor reflecting the level of actual interruption,	
	if $C_S/C_I \ge 0.04$, then $L_{In} = C_S/C_I$	
	if $C_S/C_I < 0.04$, then $L_{In} = 0.04$	
Cs	is the amount of interruptible capacity actually offered in case of	
	interruption or restriction,	
CI	is the contracted daily interruptible capacity.	

The annual payment $P_{(n)(t)}$ shall not be divided evenly into monthly invoices; instead, it shall be directly proportional to the interruption in the relevant month.

The above method of calculation of the price for interruptible capacity for a yearly contract shall accordingly be applied to contracts with a duration other than one year.

4. Amount of neutrality charge, including definition of methodology for the calculation of price applied to determine the imbalance charge

- 4.1. The neutrality charge for the period starting from 1 January 2025 equals to 0.00 EUR/MWh of the allocated transmission capacity determined according to the conditions for the application of the neutrality charge in line with conditions for the neutrality charge application.
- 4.2. Methodology for the calculation of the price applied to determine the daily imbalance charge:

The price applied (in EUR/MWh) to determine the negative daily imbalance charge shall be the higher of the following two prices:

- (i) The highest purchase price of gas purchases made on a balancing platform for the relevant gas day; the purchase price is the weighted average of prices achieved in one auction made on the balancing platform
- (ii) Index (CEGHIX + 0.5) x (1 + small adjustment expressed in %).

The price applied (in EUR/MWh) to determine the positive daily imbalance charge shall be the lower of the following two prices:

- (i) The lowest sale price of gas sales made on a balancing platform for the relevant gas day; the sale price is the weighted average of prices achieved in one auction made on the balancing platform
- (ii) Index (CEGHIX + 0.5) x (1 small adjustment expressed in %).

where

Small adjustment is 7%

The CEGHIX index is the price index of the trading venue CEGH Gas Exchange of Wiener Börse for the relevant gas day (for the avoidance of doubt, the CEGHIX index for a given gas day, for the purpose of determining the imbalance charge, means the index of the product traded on the day when the imbalance occurred).

5. Amount of the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply (complementary revenue recovery charge)

5.1. The fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply is deterined in accordance with the decision of the Regulatory Office for Network Industries No. 0001/2016/P-ST of 7 November 2016 for providing incentives for the project of Poland-Slovakia gas interconnection according to the Article 13 of the Regulation of the European Parliament and of the Council (EU) No. 347/2013 of 17 April 2013 on guidelines for trans-European energy infrastructure and repealing Decision No. 1364/2006/EC and amending

Regulations (EC) No. 713/2009, (EC) No. 714/2009 and (EC) No. 715/2009 in conjunction with the Recommendation of the Agency for the Cooperation of Energy Regulators No. 3/2014 of 27 June 2014 on incentives for the projects of common interests and on common methodology for the risk assessment. As the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply is related to the construction of the Poland-Slovakia gas interconnection, the transmission system operator (eustream) is entitled to charge this fee in accordance with the conditions mentioned in section 5 of the part B. (Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission) from the date of the start of commercial operation of the Poland-Slovakia gas interconnection (hereinafter referred also to as "**SK-PL launch date**"). For the avoidance of doubt, after the SK-PL launch date, users shall be obliged to pay the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply also for transmission capacities that were allocated before the SK-PL launch date for a period after the SK-PL launch date.

5.2. The rate of the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply for the year 2025 shall be as follows:

 $SOS_{(2025)} = 0.101 \text{ EUR/MWh of allocated transmission capacity}$

6. Fee for daily capacity overrun at all entry points and exit points

Where the transmission network user overruns the contractually agreed daily capacity at any entry or exit point, it shall pay a fee pursuant to the provisions of § 11 of the Decree of the Regulatory Office for Network Industries No. 208/2023 Coll. of 17 April 2023 which establishes the rules for the functioning of the internal gas market, the content of the operational order of the system operator and storage operator and the scope of business conditions that are part of the operational order of the system operator.

B. Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission

Sections 1., 2. and 3.1. to 3.10. of the part B. (Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission) apply for the entry/exit point Veľké Kapušany, for the entry/exit point Budince and for the entry/exit point domestic point; sections 3.11 to 3.14. and section 6 of the part B. (Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission) apply for all entry/exit points of the transmission network.

1. Types of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission

Tariff groups for access to the transmission network and gas transmission (hereinafter referred only to as "access and gas transmission") are broken down into tariff groups used to determine the price of access and gas transmission through respective entry points (n) to the transmission network ($T_{en(m)}$) and tariff groups used to determine the price of access and gas transmission through respective exit points (n) from the transmission network ($T_{ex(m)}$), where they are additionally subdivided into individual types based on the contracted daily gas transmission capacity through entry point (n) to the transmission network for calendar year (t) (hereinafter referred only to as " $C_{en(n)(t)}$ "), and/or through exit point (n) from the transmission network for calendar year (t) (hereinafter referred only to as " $C_{ex(n)(t)}$ ", $C_{en(n)(t)}$ and/or $C_{ex(n)(t)}$ hereinafter referred also to as "daily capacity"), as specified in the contract for access to the transmission network and gas transmission concluded between the transmission system operator (eustream) and the transmission network user (hereinafter referred only to as the "contract") as follows:

- Tariff T_{en1} used to valuate access and gas transmission through entry points (n) to the transmission network with a daily capacity of up to and including 18,200 MWh/d,
- Tariff T_{en2} used to valuate access and gas transmission through entry points (n) to the transmission network with a daily capacity from 18,200 MWh/d up to and including 100,000 MWh/d,
- Tariff T_{en3} used to valuate access and gas transmission through entry points (n) to the transmission network with a daily capacity from 100,000 MWh/d up to and including 416,000 MWh/d,
- Tariff T_{en4} used to valuate access and gas transmission through entry points (n) to the transmission network with a daily capacity from 416,000 MWh/d up to and including 1,372,800 MWh/d,
- Tariff T_{en5} used to valuate access and gas transmission through entry points (n) to the transmission network with a daily capacity higher than 1,372,800 MWh/d,
- Tariff T_{ex1} used to valuate access and gas transmission through exit points (n) from the transmission network with a daily capacity of up to and including 18,200 MWh/d,
- Tariff T_{ex2} used to valuate access and gas transmission through exit points (n) from the transmission network with a daily capacity from 18,200 MWh/d up to and including 100,000 MWh/d,
- Tariff T_{ex3} used to valuate access and gas transmission through exit points (n) from the transmission network with a daily capacity from 100,000 MWh/d up to and including 416,000 MWh/d,
- **Tariff** T_{ex4} used to valuate access and gas transmission through exit points (n) from the transmission network with a daily capacity from 416,000 MWh/d up to and including 1,372,800 MWh/d,
- Tariff T_{ex5} used to valuate access and gas transmission through exit points (n) from the transmission network with a daily capacity higher than 1,372,800 MWh/d.

2. Structure of tariff groups for access and gas transmission

- 2.1. The tariff groups for access and gas transmission through entry points (n) to the transmission network $(T_{en(m)})$ contain the initial tariff rates $(P_{0en(n)(m)(t)})$ applicable at the respective entry points (n) to the transmission network in calendar year (t).
- 2.2. The tariff groups for access and gas transmission through exit points (n) from the transmission network $(T_{ex(m)})$ contain the initial tariff rates $(P_{0ex(n)(m)(t)})$ applicable at the respective exit points (n) from the transmission network in calendar year (t).

3. Application of tariffs for access and gas transmission

3.1. Annual payment for access and gas transmission via the transmission network in calendar year (t) shall be calculated as the sum of annual payments determined for calendar year (t) for each entry point (n) to and for each exit point (n) from the transmission network agreed in the contract as follows:

 $P_{(t)} = \sum \left(P_{en(n)(t)} x C_{en(n)(t)} \right) + \sum \left(P_{ex(n)(t)} x C_{ex(n)(t)} \right)$

- 3.2. For each entry point (n) to the transmission network and each exit point (n) from the transmission network agreed in the contract, each user of the transmission network is assigned to the applicable tariff group $(T_{en(m)}, T_{ex(m)})$ according to its overall daily capacity agreed for each entry point (n) and each exit point (n) for calendar year (t) $(C_{en(n)(t)}, Ce_{x(n)(t)})$. This assignment to a tariff group shall not change based on the quantity of gas actually transmitted.
- 3.3. The initial tariff rate at each entry point (n) to the transmission network for calendar year (t) $(P_{0en(n)(m)(t)})$ and the initial tariff rate at each exit point (n) from the transmission network for calendar year (t) $(P_{0ex(n)(m)(t)})$ applied within the tariff groups, to which the network user is assigned for each entry point (n) and each exit point (n) agreed in the contract, shall be determined according to the specification of entry points (n) and exit points (n) of gas transmission contained in the contract. This applies to the following entry points (n) to and exit points (n) from the transmission network:

• Veľké Kapušany – considered to be the entry/exit point from/to the transmission network of gas facilities on the territory of Ukraine,

• **Budince** – considered to be the entry/exit point from/to the transmission network of gas facilities on the territory of Ukraine,

• **domestic point** – aggregated virtual point on the territory of the Slovak Republic, considered to be an entry/exit point from/to the network of gas facilities used for the distribution of gas and from/to gas storage facilities on the territory of the Slovak Republic.

- 3.4. The daily capacity factor $(\alpha_{(m)(t)})$ shall be determined for each entry point (n) to and each exit point (n) from the transmission network agreed in the contract for calendar year (t), according to the assignment of network user to the tariff group to be applied for each entry point (n) and each exit point (n) in calendar year (t). Where a network user is assigned to tariff group T_{en1} and/or T_{ex1} for a certain entry point (n) and/or exit point (n), the daily capacity factor shall equal to 0. Where a network user is assigned to tariff group T_{en2} and/or T_{ex2} for a certain entry point (n) and/or exit point (n), the daily capacity factor shall equal to 0. Where a network user is assigned to tariff group T_{en3} and/or T_{ex3} for a certain entry point (n) and/or exit point (n), the daily capacity factor shall equal to 0. Where a network user is assigned to tariff group T_{en3} and/or T_{ex4} for a certain entry point (n) and/or exit point (n), the daily capacity factor shall equal to 0. Where a network user is assigned to tariff group T_{en4} and/or T_{ex4} for a certain entry point (n) and/or exit point (n), the daily capacity factor shall equal to 0. Where a network user is assigned to tariff group T_{en5} and/or T_{ex5} for a certain entry point (n) and/or exit point (n), the daily capacity factor shall equal to 0. Where a network user is assigned to tariff group T_{en5} and/or T_{ex5} for a certain entry point (n) and/or exit point (n), the daily capacity factor shall equal to 0.
- 3.5. The duration factor shall, for long-term and yearly contracts (I_y), be determined according to the agreed number of years, during which gas transmission should be performed under the contract. If the number of years, during which the transmission system operator (eustream) should carry out gas transmission, is 20 or more, the duration factor shall equal to 0.886. If the number of years, during which the transmission system operator (eustream) should carry out gas transmission, is less than 20, the duration factor shall, for long-term contracts, be determined as follows:

 $I_y = 1.006 - 0.006 \text{ x } D_y$

where

 D_y is the term in years (duration), during which transmission should be performed under the contract.

3.6. The duration factor shall, for short-term (monthly, daily and within-day) contracts $(I_{m/d})$ be determined according to the agreed number of months/days, during which gas transmission should be performed under the contract. The duration factor shall, for short-term contracts, be determined as follows:

For monthly contracts:

$$I_m = 0.1 + 0.1 \ x \ D_m$$

where

 D_m is the term in months (duration), during which transmission should be performed under the contract.

For daily and within-day contracts:

 $I_d = 0.001 + 0.0072 \times D_d$

where

 D_d is the term in days (duration), during which transmission should be performed under the contract, for within-day contracts $D_d = 1$.

Daily capacity for within-day contracts shall be calculated as follows:

 $C_{en/ex (n) (t)} = Q/h \times 24$

where

- Q is the booked within-day transmission capacity expressed in MWh
- h is the number of hours remaining until the end of a gas day available for transmission under the within-day contract.
- 3.7. The final tariff rate at each entry point (n) to the transmission network in calendar year (t) ($P_{en(n)(t)}$) and the final tariff rate at each exit point (n) from the transmission network in calendar year (t) ($P_{ex(n)(t)}$) shall be determined in compliance with sections 3.2. to 3.6. of the part B. (Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission) as follows:

 $P_{en(n)(t)} = P_{0en(n)(m)(t)} \times (1 - \alpha_{(m)(t)}/1 \ 000 \ 000 \ x \ C_{en(n)(t)}) \times I_{y/m/d}$

 $P_{ex(n)(t)} = P_{0ex(n)(m)(t)} \times (1 - \alpha_{(m)(t)}/1 \ 000 \ 000 \ x \ C_{ex(n)(t)}) \times I_{y/m/d}$

3.8. Annual payment for access and gas transmission via the transmission network determined in the manner described under section 3.1 of the part B. (Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission) shall be applied in the first calendar year, in which gas transmission does not commence on 1 January of a calendar year, the network user shall, in the first calendar year, pay to the transmission system operator (eustream) a proportional part of the annual payment for gas transmission via the transmission in the calendar year relative to the total number of days of that calendar year. The transmission network user shall pay the yearly payment for gas transmission or, as the case may be, a proportional part thereof in the manner agreed in the contract.

3.9. The initial tariff rate at entry point (n) determined in Table No. 1 and the initial tariff rate at exit point (n) determined in Table No. 2 shall, for the subsequent calendar years, be calculated by the following formula:

 $P_{0en/ex(n)(m)(t)} = P_{0en/ex(n)(m)(t-1)} \times (1 + IR_{(t-2)}/100)$

where

- is the adjusted initial tariff rate at entry point (n) to the $P_{0en/ex(n)(m)(t)}$ transmission network or exit point (n) from the transmission network to be applied in the relevant calendar year (t),
- is the initial tariff rate at entry point (n) to the transmission $P_{0en/ex(n)(m)(t-1)}$ network or exit point (n) from the transmission network, which was applied in the immediately preceding calendar year (t-1),
- is the inflation rate in the European Union, as published by $IR_{(t-2)}$ Eurostat, item "HICP – annual average rate of change – European Union (annual rate of inflation - European Union)" valid in calendar year (t-2), expressed as a percentage and published as on 1 April of calendar year (t-1). If $IR_{(t-2)}$ is not published by 1 April of calendar year (t-1), the figure published in subsequent months of calendar year (t-1), namely as at the 1st day of the calendar month following the month, in which this figure was first published, shall be used. Backward revision of $IR_{(t-2)}$ published by Eurostat, if any, shall have no effect on the revision of the final tariff rate.

For contracts whose term includes the transition from one calendar year to the next one, the annual payment for access and gas transmission via the transmission network shall, in the first year of the contract term, be determined in the manner according to section 3.1. in conjunction with sections 3.2. to 3.6. of the part B. (Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission), using the input data valid for the relevant calendar year and, in each subsequent calendar year (t), be calculated by the following formula:

 $P_{en/ex(n)(t)} = P_{en/ex(n)(t-1)} x (1 + IR_{(t-2)}/100)$

where

- is the adjusted final tariff rate at entry point (n) to the transmission $P_{en/ex(n)(t)}$ network or exit point (n) from the transmission network to be applied in the relevant calendar year (t),
- is the final tariff rate at entry point (n) to the transmission network $P_{en/ex(n)(t-1)}$ or exit point (n) from the transmission network, which was applied in the immediately preceding calendar year (t-1),
- is the inflation rate in the European Union, as published by $IR_{(t-2)}$ Eurostat, item "HICP – annual average rate of change – European Union (annual rate of inflation - European Union)" valid in calendar year (t-2), expressed as a percentage and published as on

1 April of calendar year (t-1). If $IR_{(t-2)}$ is not published by 1 April of calendar year (t-1), the figure published in subsequent months of calendar year (t-1), namely as at the 1st day of the calendar month following the month, in which this figure was first published, shall be used. Backward revision of $IR_{(t-2)}$ published by Eurostat, if any, shall have no effect on the revision of the final tariff rate.

In case that this price decision is amended or this price decision is cancelled and replaced by a new price decision, the annual payment for access to the transmission network and gas transmission determined according to this price decision, taking into account point 3.12. of part B. (Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission) of this price decision in contracts for access to the transmission network and gas transmission shall apply only to the transmission capacity allocated for the period during the validity and effectiveness of this price decision before its amendment or its cancellation and replacement by a new price decision.

- 3.10. Where the agreed duration of gas transmission under the contract does not end in the last calendar year on 31 December of that calendar year, the transmission network user shall, in the last calendar year, pay to the transmission system operator (eustream) a proportional part of the annual payment for access and gas transmission via the transmission network pursuant to section 3.9. of the part B. (Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission) according to the number of days of the agreed duration of gas transmission in the calendar year relative to the total number of days of that calendar year.
- 3.11. The transmission network user shall provide to the transmission system operator (eustream) gas for the operational purposes of the transmission network, and this individually for each entry point to and each exit point from the transmission network. The transmission network user shall provide to the transmission system operator (eustream) gas for operational purposes in the manner agreed in the contract. The quantity of gas provided for operational purposes shall be determined by multiplying the allocated quantity of transmitted gas at each entry point to and each exit point from the transmission network of the network user (whichever is used) and relevant flow-based charge (gas for operational purposes) for entry point and exit point in accordance with the section 2. (Tariffs applicable to the quantity of actually transmitted gas for all entry/exit points) of part A. (Tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission). The transmission network user and the transmission system operator (eustream) may in the contract also agree on the provision of gas for operational purposes in financial terms. In such case, the relevant quantity of gas for the operational purposes of the transmission network shall be multiplied by the price (CEGHIX+0.25 €/MWh), by using the appropriate CEGHIX index valid on the day of the transmission.
- 3.12. The prices, tariffs and conditions of their application for access to the transmission network and gas transmission will be applied to contracts on access

to the transmission network and gas transmission according to the price decision valid and effective for the period for which the relevant transmission capacity is allocated (regardless of the date of its allocation) (i.e. in the case of contracts on access to the transmission network and gas transmission concluded even before the amendment of the relevant price decision or the cancellation and replacement of the relevant price decision with a new price decision, for the capacities allocated for the period during the validity and effectiveness of such amendment of the relevant price decision or validity and the effectiveness of the new price decision, the prices, tariffs and conditions of their application for access to the transmission network and gas transmission will apply according to such an amendment of the relevant price decision or according to the new price decision), with the exception of contracts concluded before the entry into force of the decision of ÚRSO No. 0002/2015/P-PP dated 25 March 2015, unless expressly stated otherwise.

- 3.13. The initial and final tariff rates, expressed in EUR/MWh/d/y, shall be rounded off to two (2) decimal places. The fee for increasing level of security of gas supply shall be rounded off to three (3) decimal places.
- 3.14. The above tariffs are stated exclusive of (without) value added tax.

4. Conditions for the application of neutrality charge

4.1. The payment of neutrality charge shall be calculated as follows:

 $P_{NP} = NP_{vych} \times C_{NP}$

where

NP_{vých} - is the rate of the neutrality charge

 C_{NP} - is the allocated transmission capacity expressed in MWh calculated by multiplying the allocated transmission capacity for entry and/or exit border point expressed in MWh/d and the number of days, for which such capacity was allocated. Where capacity is allocated under within-day contracts, C_{NP} is the maximum number of MWh, which can be transmitted by the network user on the given day.

- 4.2. The payment of neutrality charge P_{NP} determined in accordance with section 4.1. of the part B. (Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission) shall be payable during the period, within which a period of gas transmission is agreed under the contract. Transmission network user shall pay the neutrality charge in the manner agreed in the contract.
- 4.3. If the allocated transmission capacity C_{NP} is interrupted, the payment of neutrality charge for the relevant day shall be calculated by multiplying $NP_{vých}$

and the quantity of transmitted gas actually allocated at the entry and/or exit border point on that gas day.

- 4.4. The neutrality charge will be charged and the conditions of its application will be applied by the transmission system operator (eustream) to transmission capacities allocated from 1 January 2025 (including) till 31 December 2025 (including). For the subsequent years, until the issuance of a new price decision regarding the neutralization charge and the conditions of its application, the aforementioned neutralization charge and the conditions of its application will be used.
- 4.5. The rate of neutrality charge is stated exclusive of (without) value added tax.

For capacities allocated before 2 July 2021, in the event that there was no fulfilment according to the concluded contract (partial contracts for which capacity was allocated from 1 October 2022 and were allocated in auctions of annual products in preceding years, where based on them there was no fulfilment of the contract – gas transmission) the rate of neutrality charge is applied in the amount of 0.00 EUR/MWh of the allocated transmission capacity.

5. Conditions for the application of the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply

5.1. The payment of the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply shall be determined as follows:

 $P_{SOS(t)} = SOS_{(t)} \times C_{SOS(t)}$

where

 $SOS_{(t)}$ - is the rate of the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply,

- $C_{SOS(t)}$ is the allocated transmission capacity expressed in MWh calculated by multiplying the allocated transmission capacity at the entry point domestic point and/or exit point domestic point expressed in MWh/d and the number of days, for which such capacity was allocated. Where capacity is allocated under within-day contracts, $C_{SOS(t)}$ is the maximum number of MWh that can be transmitted by the network user on the given day.
- 5.2. For contracts whose period includes the transition from one calendar year to the next one, the rate of the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply shall, for the calendar year 2025, be determined in the manner according to section 5.2. of part A (Tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission) and for each subsequent calendar year (t), be calculated by the following formula:

 $SOS_{(t)} = SOS_{(t-1)} \times (1 + IR_{(t-2)}/100)$

where

 $SOS_{(t)}$ is the rate of the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply for year (t),

 $SOS_{(t-1)}$ - is the rate of the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply for year (t-1),

IR(t-2) - is the inflation rate in the European Union, as published by Eurostat, item "HICP – annual average rate of change – European Union (annual rate of inflation - European Union)" valid in calendar year (t-2), expressed as a percentage and published as at 1 April of calendar year (t-1). If IR_(t-2) is not published by 1 April of calendar year (t-1), the figure published in subsequent months of calendar year (t-1), namely as at the 1st day of the calendar month following the month, in which this figure was first published shall be used. Backward revision of IR_(t-2), published by Eurostat, if any, shall have no effect on the revision of the rate of the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply in the relevant calendar year (t) or in subsequent calendar years.

- 5.3. The payment of the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply $P_{SOS(t)}$ determined in accordance with section 5.1. of the part B. (Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission) shall apply during the period, within which a period of gas transmission is agreed under the contract. Transmission network users shall pay the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply in the manner agreed in the contract.
- 5.4. If the allocated interruptible transmission capacity $C_{SOS(t)}$ is interrupted, the payment of the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply for the relevant day shall be calculated by multiplying $SOS_{(t)}$ and the quantity of transmitted gas actually allocated at the entry point domestic point and/or exit point domestic point on the relevant gas day.
- 5.5. Transmission network users shall pay a fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply, which shall apply to all transmission capacities allocated at the entry point domestic point and/or exit point domestic point in accordance with this pricing decision. The rate of fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply in the level of 0.101 EUR/MWh of allocated transmission capacity for the year 2025 is the maximum, and the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply will be applied from the start of commercial operation of the Polish-Slovak gas interconnection. The application of that maximum rate of the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply results from the difference between the actual revenues from the sale of transmission capacities and required degree

of utilization of the gas interconnection¹, submitted by the transmission system operator (eustream).

The transmission system operator (eustream) and the Regulatory Office for Network Industries will, after the start of commercial operation of the Polish-Slovak gas interconnection, regularly monitor (i) the level of capacity bookings on this interconnection, (ii) the level of actual revenues from tariffs related to the booked transmission capacity on this interconnection, and (iii) the level of actual revenues from the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply. The level of actual revenues from the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply will be compared with the positive difference between revenues resulting from the required degree of utilization of the Polish-Slovak gas interconnection¹ and actual revenues from tariffs related to the booked transmission capacity on this interconnection and the result of this comparison will be recorded in the compensation account.

The Regulatory Office for Network Industries, based on the methodology submitted by the transmission system operator (eustream), shall reassess the maximum rate of the fee for increasing the level of security of gas supply, (i) based on the level of actual capacity bookings on the Polish-Slovak gas interconnection, respectively (ii) on the basis of the positive balance of the compensation account. The minimum rate of the fee for increasing the level of the security of gas supply is 0.

6. Conditions for the application of CEGHIX index

- 6.1. The CEGHIX index is the price index determined on the basis of the products of "EEX CEGH Day ahead contracts" of a trading platform EEX published on the website <u>www.cegh.at</u>.
- 6.2. In case of change of the name of the CEGHIX index or of the provider of the CEGHIX index, the CEGHIX index will be replaced with the index bearing the changed name or with an index provided by another relevant stock exchange entity, which can be assumed to be the replacement of the current CEGHIX index.
- 6.3. In case the CEGHIX index or its adequate replacement as defined in section 6.2 of the part B. (Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas transmission) is not available for five (5) working days or a shorter period, the last known value of the index shall be used.

If the CEGHIX index or its adequate replacement as defined in section 6.2 of the part B. (Conditions for the application of tariffs for access to the transmission network and gas

¹ The required degree of utilization represents the amount of payments for tariffs related to the booked transmission capacity in the amount of 3.685mil. EUR/year (at constant prices of the year 2016).

transmission) is not available for a period longer than five (5) working days, the price index EGSI for the balancing zone THE in Germany will be used (the index is published on the website <u>www.eex.com</u>), adjusted by the value of the average difference between the CEGHIX index recorded in the last thirty (30) days, during which that index was available, and the index EGSI for the balancing zone THE.

The listed prices are without value added tax.

This decision forms an integral part of decision No. 0031/2023/P dated 13 February 2023. This decision in the part of prices and conditions of their application is issued in full.