Dear Partners,

Please be advised that the annual auctions regarding the bundled/unbundled capacities offered at the interconnections points:

- Csanádpalota RO>HU (EIC code: 21Z00000000236Q, GMOIS code: SM1281D0) and
- Csanádpalota HU>RO (EIC code: 21Z00000000236Q, GMOIS code: PM0266)

for the firm quarterly bundled/unbundled capacity of the gas year 2016/2017 have been registered at the Regional Booking Platform (RBP).

The auction publications regarding the offered capacities are available on the RBP Portal.

Network Users shall be entitled to participate in the auction, if, till 10:00 (UTC), Friday, 3 June 2016:

A. has completed the registration at the RBP application.

The registration is accepted if the applicant:

- 1) has filled in the 'Network User Registration Form', has duly signed and has sent the scanned version to the e-mail address rbp@fgsz.hu, and has sent two original copies to FGSZ Ltd. (H-8600 Siófok, Tanácsház u. 5.), as well as
- 2) has filled in and duly signed the <u>Network user membership agreement for the usage of the regional booking platform</u> and has sent the scanned version to the e-mail address rbp@fgsz.hu and has sent two originals to FGSZ Ltd. (H-8600 Siófok, Tanácsház u. 5.). In addition the applicant must send the list of persons who are entitled to represent the applicant company. A valid digital certificate issued by a trusted provider must be registered for each RBP user, which must be submitted within the 'Network User Registration Form'. We mention that the digital certificates already used in the Transgaz's informatic platform (GMOIS) cannot be used in the RBP application.
- B. has fulfilled the registration conditions mentioned in the <u>ANRE ORDER no. 15/2016 on</u> measures for transmission capacity booking at the Csan á dpalota interconnection point between the Romanian Gas Transmission System and the Hungarian Gas Transmission System;
- C. has submitted the auction security to both TSOs. Along with submitting the auction security, the network user has to declare how to divide the credit line between the two parallel running quarterly auctions (RO>HU direction and HU>RO direction). For the RO>HU direction, the network user has to declare additionally how to divide the credit line between the bundled/unbundled capacity requested and the natural gas quantities considered to be transmitted at the level of the bundled capacity requested, in accordance with Art. 6, par. (1), a) of Order of the President of the National Energy Regulatory Authority no. 15/20.04.2016 on measures for transmission capacity booking at the Csanádpalota interconnection point between the Romanian Gas Transmission System and the Hungarian Gas Transmission System;

D. the opening time of the annual auctions for the quarterly bundled/unbundled capacity shall start on 06.06.2016 at 07.00 (UTC), which shall mean 09.00 o'clock in Hungary (CET) and 10.00 o'clock in Romania (EET). In an auction the Network Users may submit bids for the required capacity in subsequent auction rounds applying pre-determined price steps (ascending clock auction). With regard to the auction process, further information can be found in the 'Operational Rules of the Regional Booking Platform' and in the 'User Manual for the Bidder Role'.

Regarding the mentioned interconnection points the reserve prices of Transgaz published in the auction announcements shall be the capacity fees stipulated by Order of the President of the National Energy Regulatory Authority no. 15/20.04.2016 on measures for transmission capacity booking at the Csanádpalota interconnection point between the Romanian Gas Transmission System and the Hungarian Gas Transmission System, expressed in GCV-based lei/kWh/h/month at the 25°C/0°C reference temperature, covering all the hours of the service period. Price steps mean the auction premium on top of the reserve price, expressed in a percentage of the reserve price.

Network Users with a winning bid in the auction are obliged to pay the capacity fee related to the obtained capacity, the eventual auction premium calculated on the basis of the underlying price step and if applicable, the volumetric fee for the transmitted gas quantities.

At the above-mentioned interconnection points, the reserve prices Transgaz published in the auction related announcements represent the capacity tariffs as established by Order no. 136/14.08.2015 issued by the Chairman of the Romanian Energy Regulatory Authority (published in the Romanian Official Journal no. 632/19.VIII.2015, Part I), expressed in Lei/kWh/h based on the reference condition conversion factors according to SR ISO 13443 — "Natural Gas. Standard reference conditions" and covering all hours related to the service provision periods. Price intervals refer to the auction fee exceeding the reserve price, expressed as a percentage of the reserve price.

The Network Users – winners of the auction – shall pay, in consideration of the relevant capacity, the capacity tariff which is applicable at the moment when the allocated capacity may be actually used, the final auction fee being calculated based on the corresponding price interval and if appropriate, based on the commodity charge related to the circulated amount.

After the capacity auction is closed, the allocated capacities will be registered in the Contract module of Transgaz' informatics platform (GMOIS).

Should you have any questions regarding the auctions, please do not hesitate to contact us at rbp@fgsz.hu or pilot rbp@transgaz.ro.

Yours sincerely,

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