CHAPTER V ODOURISATION

5.1. Adjacent TSOs shall cooperate and identify at each Interconnection Point whether cross-border flows are hampered by differences in odourisation practices.

5.2. At IPs where gas is capable of physically flowing from a TSO’s network in which gas is odourised to one that does not odourise the gas but is prevented from flowing due to the different odourisation practices, adjacent TSOs shall reach an agreement to resolve the barrier within six months after the entry into force of this Network Code or, where the barrier is identified after this time, within six months from the date that both TSOs agree that such a barrier needs to be removed. Where such agreement is reached, TSOs shall submit details of the proposed solution to their NRAs.

5.3. If adjacent TSOs fail to reach such an agreement or if NRAs deem the agreement to not be sufficiently effective in addressing the barrier, adjacent TSOs in cooperation with relevant Member State Authorities shall, within the following twelve months:

(i) develop options to remove the barrier, produce cost estimates and estimation of implementation time of each potential option; and

(ii) define a detailed plan, including funding arrangements, to use the most cost effective option to facilitate a shift towards physical flows of non-odorised/deodorised gas at the specific cross-border interconnection point. The assessment leading to the choice of option for shifting towards physical flows of non-odorised/deodorised gas shall take the implementation time into account and be submitted to the concerned NRAs for approval (as indicated in Article 7(4) of Regulation (EC) No 713/2009).