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GTE+ launches Transparency Platform

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Today GTE+ (Gas Transmission Europe+) has launched online the GTE+ Transparency Platform. After the Interactive Interoperability Map up and running since January this year, the Platform is a further contribution by Transmission System Operators (TSOs) for Gas to enhance transparency in the European energy market.

By providing various information relating to gas transmission in an organised and structured way on a single website, the Transparency Platform aims at facilitating the market. It is based on information that is already published by individual TSOs on their websites.

The GTE+ Transparency Platform offers to its users to search for a route across the European gas transmission networks by selecting the starting and the ending points. A route summary is consequently generated giving an overview of available monthly capacities along the route as well as other useful information. Users may also search for information regarding single points. Moreover, the Platform provides links to individual TSOs' web pages dedicated to TPA information offering thus a useful navigation tool for gas network users.

The GTE+ Transparency Platform is envisaged to be further expanded early 2009 to include additional information such as nominations, renominations, flows and interruptions .

The GTE+ Transparency Platform can be found at the following address <http://www.gas-roads.eu>. Users are also able to directly access the Interactive Interoperability Map from there.

Jacques Laurelut, GTE President, said: "By launching the GTE+ Transparency Platform, GTE shows yet again its commitment to the further facilitation of the market, of which information provision is one of the cornerstones. As part of the GTE+ work programme, the GTE+ Transparency Platform aims to bring about market enhancements for the benefit of all market participants. GTE+ will continue its endeavors to make further improvements happen."

Notes to Editors

GTE represents the interests of **34** Transmission System Operators in **27** countries in Europe. GTE is one column of GIE, Gas Infrastructure Europe, the European association of the Transmission, Storage and LNG terminal Operators. GTE is committed to improving the regulatory and investment framework for transmission activities in order to help its members to continue providing secure, efficient and valuable transmission services to the market. GTE+ is a GTE initiative which aims at preparing the establishment of ENTSOG, the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Gas, as envisaged in 3rd energy package.

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