

## Gas Network Codes Functionality Process Issue Solution

Issue details	
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Name:	Data exchange at VTPs and storage facilities (original title Communication protocol and encryption)
Reporting party:	Equinor (supported by Gastera, ENGIE, EASEE-gas)
Network Code / Guidelines concerned:	Regulation EC 2015/703 network code on interoperability and data exchange rules
Article of the Network Code / Guidelines	Chapter V
Category:	European Issue
Abstract:	
<i>Companies connected to the gas business (market area operators and storage operators) claim that they do not need to follow article 23 of the network code of interoperability</i>	

Issue solution(s)	
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<p>ACER and ENTSOG organised a stakeholder meeting on 16 May on potential solutions, followed by a public consultation from 17 May to 13 June and an additional stakeholder meeting 2 October. Around 30 different parties, including the EC, have taken part in the process.</p> <p>The consultation process demonstrated that stakeholders are supportive of the extension of the data exchange provisions in the INT NC to virtual trading points. Therefore, ACER and ENTSOG propose an amendment of the INT NC to achieve this as detailed in the attached slide pack. It is proposed to amend Article 1(2), 20 (1), 20 (2) and 23 (1) to extend the scope to virtual trading points and, subject to NRA decision, to points other than interconnection points (e.g. storage and LNG).</p> <p>As for encryption algorithms, ENTSOG has established a dialogue with the German NRA (BNetzA) and the German institute for IT security (BSI) to find a possible long-term solution for document-based data exchange.</p> <p>The issue will be closed on the FUNC platform.</p>	