

Press release

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## **GASPOOL reduces control and balancing energy levy account**

Berlin. For the first time since GASPOOL Balancing Services GmbH was founded, there is a surplus on the levy account, namely for the levy period April 2013 to September 2013. GASPOOL will distribute it in two steps by the end of March and reduce the control and balancing energy levy account. The distribution relates to the levy of 0.08 ct/kWh paid in the summer, as well as to the fed-out transport volumes of relevance to balancing, for which 0.0996 ct/kWh will be paid out to the balancing group managers. That gives a total disbursement of 166.2 million euros.

The distribution will be made in accordance with the “Basic Model for Balancing Services and Balancing in the Gas Sector” (GABi Gas). The control and balancing energy levy applicable to the current surplus period and the balancing group billing that has been carried out will not be affected by the distribution.

The balance of the levy account is forecast for a six-month levy period. If there is a surplus on the account, GASPOOL as the market area manager is obliged to disburse it to the balancing group managers. The basis for this is the General Terms and Conditions for the balancing group contract of the market area manager (Section 25 (6)).

In accordance with the contractual terms, the surplus will now be first distributed to those balancing group managers who have paid the levy in that period. In a second step, the balancing group managers with the time series types SLPsyn\*, SLPana\*\*, RLMmT\*\*\* and RLMoT\*\*\*\* will receive a payout. The balancing group managers in question will be notified in writing of the payouts to which they are entitled.

\*standard load profile synthetical / \*\*standard load profile analytic / \*\*\*registered load measurement with flat profile / \*\*\*\*registered load measurement with structured profile

Company

GASPOOL Balancing Services GmbH is an associated company of GASCADE Gastransport GmbH, Gastransport Nord GmbH, Gasunie Deutschland Transport Services GmbH, Nowega GmbH and ONTRAS Gastransport GmbH and is headquartered in Berlin.

The purpose of the company is to run GASPOOL's market area in Germany. The market area encompasses approx. 350 downstream natural gas transport networks. Due to the integration of the H-Gas Norddeutschland market area, Jordgas Transport GmbH also participates in this market area cooperation.