

Press Release

NCG again distributes surplus amounts accrued in the control energy levy account

Ratingen (Germany), 16 May 2014. In the control energy levy validity period from April 2013 to September 2013 NetConnect Germany GmbH & Co. KG (NCG) produced a surplus for the first time and distributed this surplus to balancing group managers who operated master balancing groups active in the relevant levy validity period in line with the GABi Gas ruling and contractual arrangements. This distribution process was successfully completed by the end of March 2014.

In relation to the control energy levy validity period from October 2013 to March 2014 NCG again generated a surplus (= surplus period). A total amount of around € 186 million will be distributed to all balancing group managers who operated master balancing groups in the surplus period. All eligible balancing group managers will be notified in writing about the amounts they are going to receive.

The amounts available for distribution in respect of the surplus period will probably be paid out in July 2014. The distribution does not affect the validity of the control energy levy nor of the final balancing group settlement figures for the surplus period, which will remain unchanged.

NetConnect Germany handles the operational management of the market area cooperation between bayernets GmbH, Fluxys TENP GmbH, Thyssengas GmbH, Open Grid Europe GmbH, GRTgaz Deutschland GmbH and terranets bw GmbH. Its gas market area, which stretches from the North Sea coast down to the Alps, is the largest German market area, with around two thirds of all end-user gas volumes in Germany being transported via the NCG market area.

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