

PRESS RELEASE

Gas storage neutrality charge from July 2025 at 2.89 EUR/MWh

Berlin/Düsseldorf, 19 May 2025 Trading Hub Europe GmbH (THE) is setting the neutrality charge in accordance with Section 35e of the German Energy Industry Act (EnWG) to secure the filling level requirements for gas storage facilities (gas storage neutrality charge) at 2.89 EUR/MWh from July 1, 2025.

The background to the neutrality charge is the provisions of the EnWG, which in particular stipulate filling level requirements for storage facilities. Since the law came into force in 2022, various measures have been taken by THE in accordance with the legal requirements in order to increase security of supply. These include in particular the filling of various gas storage facilities.

The gas storage neutrality charge is significantly influenced by purchases and sales of storage volumes already made and forecast by THE and by the amount of the levyable volume. In particular against the background of the higher consumption of SLP and RLM withdrawal points last winter compared to the forecasts, the gas storage neutrality charge will be set at the aforementioned level from July 1, 2025. When forecasting further costs and revenues, THE currently assumes, in agreement with the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy and with the involvement of the Federal Network Agency, that THE will not need to fill any storage facilities.

The next determination of the gas storage levy will take place on January 1, 2026.

The company Trading Hub Europe GmbH was founded on June 1, 2021 through cooperation between the network operators bayernets GmbH, Fluxys TENP GmbH, GASCADE Gastransport GmbH, Gastransport Nord GmbH, Gasunie Deutschland Transport Services GmbH, NaTran Deutschland GmbH, Nowega GmbH, ONTRAS Gastransport GmbH, Open Grid Europe GmbH, terranets bw GmbH and Thyssengas GmbH. The high-pressure pipeline system in the Germany-wide Trading Hub Europe market area has a total length of around 40,000 km and connects more than 700 downstream grids. The tasks of the market area manager include balancing group management, the operation of the virtual trading point and the procurement of balancing energy. Trading Hub Europe thus ensures the operation of the market area and makes an important contribution to the supply of natural gas in Germany and Europe.

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