

TWENTY-THIRD MEETING OF THE EUROPEAN GAS REGULATORY FORUM

IFIEC-CEFIC position NC on Interoperability **Gas Quality**

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For gas quality clarification of responsibility and availability of (real) time information of eligible customers is crucial

- Responsibility and liability of gas quality should be clear
 - End-users require more clarification;
 - NC should emphasize that Member States/NRAs are accountable because they define the specification and ranges of the gas quality and should accept its liability
 - ***where will the issue will be addressed and handled if not in the NC?***
- Providing short term information
 - Transparency is key;
 - Information provision is part of the solution and not part of the problem;
 - having adequate near real time info available is a safety issue primarily!
- Providing long term information
 - Information for the outlook from upstream parties may not be voluntary or without obligation;
 - We notice a lot of misunderstanding about legal versus operational ranges:
 - Customers in most countries only rely on (expected) operational ranges;
 - Risk and liability when gas quality exceeds operational (and not legal) ranges are unclear.