

TWENTY-THIRD MEETING OF THE EUROPEAN GAS REGULATORY FORUM

IFIEC-CEFIC position Storage and LNG

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No exemptions for transport costs for storages and LNG

- Storages and LNG are very important for flexibility and integrity of the grid as well as for security of supply:
 - On the condition that these investments are efficient;
 - Tariffs for transport must be cost reflective, paying for the transport costs they are causing;
 - Non-discriminatory;
 - Avoid cross-subsidies;
- Storages must support efficient trading and competition;
- Special tariffs only in case grid users can prove that their transport costs are lower than other entry-exit costs;
- Assets contributing to lower investments in transportation network capacity (like storages) is a leverage but not a justification for special treatment.