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GTE Comments on DEN Transparency for Madrid XII

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Background

- On November 17th 2006, the European Commission published the Draft Explanatory Note on “Transparency”.
- GTE submitted to the European Commission the document “GTE comments on DEN on Transparency”, on last December 4th 2006;
- On February 5th 2007, the European Commission published a revised version of the Draft Explanatory Note on “Transparency”;



General findings

- GTE welcomes the improvements on the revised version of the DEN, which help in better clarifying the contents of the Regulation.
- GTE is pleased to have the opportunity to contribute further to the predisposition of the Explanatory Note providing other comments to the text with a view to:
 - better explain some advices provided on the previous version of the DEN;
 - comment on some new contents added on in the new version of the DEN.



GTE comments on new DEN(1)

GTE believes that:

- (12). Efforts have to be done by TSOs to align the services as much as possible with the market needs, having however clearly in mind the physical limitations of transportation business;
- (15)(25). The information provision to shippers has as a goal to provide the data necessary for access to and use of the pipelines. Other means (e.g. regulatory oversight) are used to ensure that TSOs offer all available capacity in a non-discriminatory manner.
- (26). TSOs should only provide those information as required to facilitate the market;



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GTE comments on new DEN(2)

GTE believes that:

- (34). The publication of flow data with a detail equal to the nominations regime is an additional requirement to the Regulation.
- (37). Relevant points should be only those in which booking procedures are applicable.



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