



To all Stakeholders

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GTS 17.349

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Subject
GTS Consultation on BBL
merger with the TTF market
area

Dear Sir or Madam,

The two independent transmission system operators Gasunie Transport Services (GTS) and BBL Company (BBLC) have jointly investigated the possibilities to integrate the BBL interconnector into the TTF market area by the 1st of January 2018. By removing Interconnection Point Julianadorp as a commercial network point, the BBL interconnector will become part of the TTF market area, and GTS and BBLC would form one joint entry- and exit system. This intended integration creates a direct connection between Europe's two largest gas trading hub: the Dutch Title Transfer Facility (TTF) and the British National Balancing Point (NBP).

The intended integration contributes to a further expansion of TTF as the most liquid gas trading hub in Europe. Market parties will benefit from improved arbitrage opportunities, simplified licensing arrangements and an enlarged green zone. For further and more detailed information GTS and BBLC have published the following documents:

- a Pöyry Management Consulting's slidepack with the benefits to the network users in the TTF and NBP market area, as well as

- a BBLC-GTS information document on the BBL interconnector merger with the TTF market area.

or visit www.TTFtradingzone.com.

On 23 May 2017 GTS and BBLC will organize a workshop on the intended integration. Market parties are invited to join the workshop which will be held at Van der Valk Hotel Schiphol A4. Please indicate your participation via info@gastransport.nl.

Furthermore GTS invites market parties to express their views on the foreseen integration until Friday 9 June 2017. We invite you to send your response to info@gastransport.nl.

Please note that BBLC consults the market through a separate process for BBLC shipper specific changes. More information is available in their consultation letter and on the [BBLC website](#).

At the end of the consultation period GTS will present a report on the intended integration taking into account your feedback. The report will be shared and discussed with the Dutch regulator Autoriteit Consument en Markt in order to ensure full transparency. The final report and the feedback will be published on the GTS website.

We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 23 May.

Yours sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "R Schutte", with a horizontal line underneath.

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