

## **Transitional rule in the winter period for the acceptance of an application for loading of GNL from plant to ship at short term**

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### **General background**

In order to provide transparency in the process of GNL loading requests from plant to ship by the GTS, the main criteria applied for the acceptance of a loading request received in the short term (inter-monthly request) during the winter period are set out below.

These criteria are necessary to:

- The conditioning of the regasification plants, especially in terms of tank levels, in order to be able to carry out the operation, providing certain guarantees that before, during and after the loading operation the terminal can continue fully operational, making the best efforts to comply with the technical minimum of the installation, so that the rights already acquired by other users, such as tank loading or previously contracted slots, are not affected.
- Do not jeopardise the security of supply in the system.

The following criteria do not apply at loadings below 100 GWh.

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### Criteria applied

Upon receipt of a load request issued by an user, the GTS shall apply the following criteria, which shall occur simultaneously:

- ✓ **A minimum of 10 days' notice** is established between the date on which the request is received and the date for which the inter-monthly loading is requested. The purpose of this advance notice is to allow sufficient time to reschedule regasification at each of the plants, reserving the necessary LNG at the terminal that is going to carry out the operation.
- ✓ **A minimum daily level of GNL stocks** at TVB of more than **7 TWh** (equivalent to 30% of tank filling) is established, considering the minimum value of scheduled stocks in the period between the time when the application is received and the date for which the operation is requested.

However, the lead time indicated in the previous point may be reduced in the event that the GNL stock value is above 50% of the filling level (approximately 12 TWh).

### Validity

This transitional rule shall enter into force as of 3 March 2020 and shall apply while the relevant regulations and the procedures derived from them are being developed, including PA-2: Procedure for firm capacity to be offered.