



INVITATION TO APPLY FOR FLEXIBLE STORAGE CAPACITY FOR STORAGE PERIOD 2022 – 2023



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AT NATURAL GAS STORAGE FACILITY INZENHAM-WEST OF NAFTA SPEICHER INZENHAM GMBH

I. OFFER

NAFTA Speicher Inzenham GmbH (hereinafter "NAFTA Inzenham"), as an operator of the storage system, invites for application for access to and use of the Firm Flexible Storage Capacity.

Firm Flexible Storage Capacity service enables the Customer to inject and withdraw natural gas to/from the Natural Gas Storage Facility all year round with a 2-hour round the clock re-nomination lead time, however in adherence to the mandatory filing levels imposed by the recently enacted legislation.

The Storage Capacity will be tendered among all interested gas market participants (hereinafter "Participants").

The Agreement on Storage Facility Access, under which the Firm Flexible Storage Capacity shall be allocated, will be concluded with successful Participants.

Please see **the Draft of Agreement on Storage Facility Access including all appendices** where the terms and conditions pertaining to this storage service are stipulated.

II. FIRM FLEXIBLE STORAGE CAPACITY

Firm Flexible Storage Capacity is offered in the amount of **up to 360,000 MWh in 30 Standard Bundled Units**. Storage services are provided for the period from 18 July 2022 6:00 HRS CET until 1 May 2023 6:00 HRS CET.

A. STANDARD BUNDLED UNIT (SBU)

PARAMETERS OF 1 BASIC SBU (30 IN TOTAL)

Working Gas Capacity	12,000 MWh
Maximum Injection Rate	6.660 MW
Maximum Withdrawal Rate	5.129 MW

The Injection and Withdrawal Rates will be available throughout the whole period on declining curves.

The Injection Rates will be provided at the maximum level if the storage account fullness is within the range of 0% – 50% (including) of Working Gas Capacity; and between 50% - 100% of Working Gas Capacity the Injection Rates linearly decrease down to the level of 3.330 MW at 100% of Working Gas Capacity.

The Withdrawal Rates will be provided at the maximum level if the storage account fullness is within the range of 100% – 30% of Working Gas Capacity; and between 30% (including) - 0% of Working Gas Capacity the Withdrawal Rates linearly decrease down to the level of 1.153 MW at 0% of Working Gas Capacity.

B. POINT OF TRANSFER FOR INJECTION AND WITHDRAWAL

The natural gas storage facility Inzenham-West is allocated to the Trading Hub Europe virtual trading point.

The Point Of Transfer For Injection shall be the network connection point "Inzenham-West USP" of the Transmission System Operator bayernets.

The Point Of Transfer For Withdrawal shall be the network connection point "Inzenham-West USP" of the Transmission System Operator bayernets.

Bayernets' capacities shall be booked and paid for by the successful Participant.

C. MANDATORY FILLING LEVELS

The successful Participant shall be aware of the recently enacted legislation on filling requirements for gas storage facilities. According to the newly introduced sections 35a et seqq. of the Energy Industry Act (EnWG), gas storages shall reach certain filling levels on 1 October, 1 November and 1 February of each calendar year. The operators of gas storage facilities shall offer firm storage capacities to Trading Hub Europe GmbH ("THE") if one or more of the storage users do not use their booked (firm) working gas volume to the extent required to reach the relevant filling levels. This may require to exclude storage users who do not sufficiently use their capacity rights from (further) using (part of) their booked (firm) capacity rights for the remaining part of the relevant storage year. The new statutory requirements shall be addressed in new storage contracts, therefore the Agreement on Storage Facility Access which shall be concluded with the successful Participant already contains the respective provisions and these shall be accepted by successful Participants.

(For more details, please see the Annex No. 1: Draft of the Agreement on Storage Facility Access.)

D. STORAGE FEES

The storage fees shall include Fixed Storage Fee and Variable Storage Fee and shall be payable by the Storage Customer to the SSO for the provision of Storage Capacities which include the Working Gas Capacity, Injection and Withdrawal Rate.

The Variable Storage Fee shall be paid for injected and withdrawn gas in accordance with the following formula:

$$VSF_M = (NG_I + NG_W) * VSF_U$$

VSF_M (in EUR): is Variable Storage Fee calculated for the calendar month M

NG_I (in MWh): is the amount of natural gas injected into the Storage Facility in the calendar month M

NG_W (in MWh): is the amount of natural gas withdrawn from the Storage Facility in the calendar month M

VSF_U (in EUR/MWh): is Unit Variable Storage Fee. For the period from the beginning of the Booking Period until 31/12/2022, Unit Variable Storage Fee of 1.60 EUR/MWh shall be applied. For the period from 01/01/2023 until the end of the Booking Period, Unit Variable Storage Fee of 1.70 EUR/MWh shall be applied.

III. TENDER INFORMATION

A. REGISTRATION

All Participants are asked to register for this Tender by sending an e-mail expressing interest to participate in this Tender. The e-mail shall be sent to storage@nafta-speicher.de.

NAFTA Inzenham sales team will confirm the delivery of registration.

The Participants that have not yet been evaluated under the due diligence procedure based on the KYC Questionnaire "know your customer" within any company belonging to the Energetický a průmyslový holding, a.s. Group shall prior to application undergo this procedure with NAFTA Inzenham.

B. APPLICATION PERIOD

The Application Period will be published on the website of NAFTA Inzenham and will last at least three (3) hours during which the Participants may submit their bids using the Application Form. The Participant may submit a maximum of two binding, irrevocable and duly signed Application Forms by e-mail.

In the Application Form delivered within the Application Period, the Participant shall specify the following:

- The number of Standard Bundled Units requested by the Participant complying with minimum booking requirement of one (1) SBU;
- Fixed Storage Fee for SBU stated in EUR/MWh rounded to two (2) decimal points.

C. AFTER THE APPLICATION PERIOD

I. THE EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS

NAFTA Inzenham shall prioritize the Applications based on the proposed price. If there is no difference between two or more Applications, the pro-rata mechanism shall apply. All other essentials contained in the Applications shall remain unchanged and valid.

The Participants shall be informed on **the outcome of their Application(s) within 30 minutes** according to the non-discriminatory internal rules, which are set out by NAFTA Inzenham for all Participants before the Application Period (hereinafter the "Internal Rules").

II. THE SUCCESSFUL PARTICIPANT(S)

The Participant, to whom the Firm Flexible Storage Capacity has been allocated, shall enter into the Agreement on Storage Facility Access with NAFTA Inzenham at the latest within 10 days of the day of receipt of the notification of Firm Flexible Storage Capacity allocation to the Participant.

IV. TEMPORARY AND CLOSING PROVISIONS

A. RESERVED RIGHTS OF NAFTA INZENHAM

- a) NAFTA Inzenham reserves the right to alter the overall allocated volume or to not allocate any volume at all based on total volume requested by Participants and the parameters of their individual bids;

- b) NAFTA Inzenham has the right to reject an Application if it fails to comply with all the requirements set out in the Appendix D: General Terms and Conditions for Storage Facility Access - of the Agreement on Storage Facility Access, this Invitation, and other applicable legal regulations or if the unit price proposed in the Application for the offered storage capacity is lower than the minimum price set out in the Internal Rules;
- c) NAFTA Inzenham has the right to request additional information or documentation from the Participant and to check whether the information about the Participant is accurate, using third-party sources in the public domain;
- d) NAFTA Inzenham shall have the right to cancel or amend the terms and conditions of this Invitation or to announce a new invitation at any time.

B. THE WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS

The words and expressions not otherwise defined herein shall bear the meaning defined in the Appendix G: Definitions of the Agreement on Storage Facility Access.

C. THE LANGUAGE

This Invitation is published in English version.

V. CONTACT DETAILS

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VI. ANNEXES

Annex No. 1 – Draft of the Agreement on Storage Facility Access including all appendices