

# Exchange Information

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### Routines for publishing day ahead trading capacities

Nord Pool Spot and Nordel (Nordic TSOs) have agreed to clarify new and prevailing routines for publishing day ahead trading capacities between the Elspot areas. The new routines will be effectuated on 12 June 2006.

#### ***New Daily routine:***

- The TSOs submit trading capacities for the next day to Nord Pool Spot (NPS) by 09:30 CET.
- NPS verifies consistency of the capacity values and publishes these before 10.00 on NPS homepage. The capacities are now firm.

Firmness of capacities means that they are fixed at the time of publication and cannot later be adjusted upwards nor downwards except for the following exemptions.

- To correct an essential mistake found by the TSOs before 10.30
- To fulfill ramping restrictions as instructed by the TSOs.
- To avoid unnecessary curtailment of trade and to clear the market at maximum price.

NPS keeps a log on these exceptional events.

#### ***Clarification of concepts:***

The main principle is that the capacity values are published by a fixed time (by 10.00 but normally earlier) and that they then are firm. Of the above mentioned exceptions the first one can occur when the bidding is ongoing while the two others only can occur when the market is closed. The procedure for these three exceptions is explained below.

#### TSO consistency check period:

To permit corrections of errors on NPS' side causing publication of false trading capacities, the TSOs are given a claim period until 10.30 for data consistency checking. This is only to be employed when actual figures published from NPS are wrong compared to the one given to NPS by the TSO. If correction of already published trading capacities takes place, a separate operating message will be given to the market at the latest by 10.30, specifying also the reason and extent of the correction.

#### Ramping:

Due to reasons of system security the TSOs have agreed on rules regarding ramping on the Skagerak and Kontiskan inter connectors with the effect that the change of flow from one hour to the next shall not exceed the specified limit. If NPS trade calculation shows that a change of flow on these inter connectors exceeds the ramping limit, then

corresponding trading capacities will be adjusted accordingly and a new calculation will be run.

See also description of ramping rules and criteria on NPS homepage.

Market clearance:

Whenever the market would not clear in a bidding area and curtailment of trade would occur. Then NPS shall investigate with the relevant TSOs the possibility to increase the available trading capacity. Any increase in trading capacity shall be limited to the exact amount needed in order to obtain a market clearance at the maximum market clearing price in the affected area. The TSO will evaluate the possibility case-by-case and there are no guarantees given for capacity increase in general. If capacity for this reason has been changed an operating message will be given to the market.

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