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## Conditions for the admission of Shippers to the ZEBRA Gas network.

Not everyone is allowed to use the transport services of ZEBRA Gasnetwork (ZEBRA). This can only be done by parties that have been acknowledged by ZEBRA as so called 'Shippers'.

To become a Shipper you must:

- accept the transport conditions of ZEBRA. These conditions are stated in the "Transport Service and Transport Balance Monitoring Service".
- have been found to be creditworthy or to be able to provide additional financial security.

Special rules also apply to the communication between the Shipper and ZEBRA. There is an electronic messaging system that the parties must use. ZEBRA must test and approve its operational use by the Shipper.

### How to get recognition as a Shipper.

Approval for admission must be requested three months before the date on which the transport service is to be taken up. If the set conditions are met, ZEBRA will provide you with an accreditation within two months after the application.

### Conditions for receiving an approval.

If you have submitted an application and you meet the four conditions listed below, you will receive an accreditation.

Conditions for approval:

#### 1. Creditworthiness:

You are sufficiently creditworthy in relation to your intended obligations. This means that you meet the financial security requirements that are appropriate for the exposure. The rules applied by ZEBRA correspond to those in Annex 1 of the Gas-LNB Transport Conditions of the gas conditions that can be found on the government's website:

<https://wetten.overheid.nl/jci1.3:c:BWBR0037950&Bijlage=1&z=2019-01-01&g=2019-01-01-01>

ZEBRA is at all times authorised to deviate from the regulations as described above.

ZEBRA is authorised to carry out a creditworthiness test if deemed necessary.

#### 2. Recognition of the present gas transmission network:

You have an accreditation, licence and/or possibility to transport or take over gas from the transition point of the present gas transport network to the ZEBRA gas transport network.

#### 3. Prudent:

In all respects, you have the expertise, carefulness and technical, administrative and organisational facilities required to participate in gas transport in the ZEBRA gas transport network and you behave in accordance with this.

#### **4. Electronic communication:**

You meet the requirements of electronic messaging with regard to nominations, entry and exit programs, portfolio imbalance signal and balancing actions. You have successfully completed a communication check with us. More information about electronic messaging and the communication check can be found below;

To meet these requirements it is necessary to be able to communicate online with ZEBRA Gasnetwerk using the AS4 protocol. You should also be aware of the operational procedures of nomination, balancing and imbalance and the balancing action. The nomination process is described in the "Allocation and Balancing Regulations" of ZEBRA.

All electronic messaging is based on the AS4 protocol. For information about AS4, please visit the [Edigas group website](#). Edigas version 5.1 (XML) is used and supported by us. For documents and examples of messages, please contact ZEBRA\_(info@zebragasnetwerk.nl) by e-mail. You will then receive an overview of the conditions of information exchange and possibilities. It also contains references to the functional descriptions, message specifications including examples.

You can exchange messages and communicate with us yourself. For this, your dispatching department must be available 24/7.

You can also choose to hire a company that specializes in this. If you wish to use such a specialized company, please inform us about this. We will then need a statement from you with the name of the company and their contact details. This company will have to do the communication test with us.

#### **How does the electronic messaging process work?**

If you meet the requirements, you can request a communication test. The communication test will test the connectivity and message exchange with you. The communication test must be completed with a positive result.

1. In your communication test request you mention:
  - Name, telephone number and email address of your test contact.
  - Data (name, telephone number, fax number, e-mail address) of your dispatching department or of the service company that you have hired to arrange the dispatching for you.
  - An e-mail address to which we can send the Message Processing Results and status reports.
2. We will make an appointment with your contact person to take a communication test with your company.
3. If the communication test is passed with a positive result, you will receive a confirmation e-mail from us.

Obtaining Shipper status is free of charge.

The approval remains valid for as long as the conditions for admission of Shippers to the ZEBRA Gas network are fully met.