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Increase in Gas Import Capacity in Burghausen by Take-Over of Gas Plants

Munich/26 February 2013. On 01.01.2013 *bayernets* GmbH Munich took over from GASCADE GmbH, Kassel, the gas plants of the former SÜDAL at the German-Austrian border connection point at Burghausen. The gas plants consist of a gas turbine compressor, gas pressure control and measuring systems, grid connections for supplying industrial customers in Burghausen, the connection pipeline of the Austrian storage facility Haidach and an approx. 5 km long gas transmission pipeline from the border crossing in Überackern to the compressor station in Haiming. A marketing concept drawn up by the TSOs for adapting existing shipping contracts was presented to grid customers who are directly affected on 25.10.2012. The marketing concept has been published on the *bayernets* website.

At the turn of the year, *bayernets* successfully took over the plants in close cooperation with everyone involved and in consultation with the Federal Network Agency. All new Entry/Exit points of *bayernets* were integrated into the market area of NetConnect Germany (NCG).

By taking over the plants in Burghausen, *bayernets* could increase firm import capacity in the supply area of *bayernets* from 1.5 million kWh/h to 2.7 million kWh/h.

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About bayernets GmbH

Committed to protecting our environment *bayernets* GmbH, Munich, supplies natural gas through a 1,300 km long high-pressure pipeline in Bavaria. With a network area of 36,000 square kilometres and an average pipeline diameter of DN 500, the company is one of the largest gas pipeline operators in Germany. *bayernets* has 43 downstream grid operators, 10 of these connected directly with its pipeline system.

bayernets operates in the east of Bavaria with its own import capacities at the important cross-border point Burghausen/Überackern in the European gas network system and provides a secure gas supply in the south to Tyrol via Kiefersfelden and Pfronten. As a strong partner in the gas market area cooperation NetConnect Germany, *bayernets* connects the German gas transmission system in the south east through entry and exit points to the Austrian pipeline system. In this way *bayernets* offers its shippers a gate to the East European gas market.

The Munich company is an active market partner and is playing a significant part in the future development of a national and European gas pipeline infrastructure, among other things in its role in the European Network of Transmission System Operators (ENTSOG).