

## Description of Storage Plus Service (Service Offering Additional Storage Flexibility)

This service was introduced to support system users' trading activities, offering a greater degree of flexibility in optimising supply and consumption any time during the storage year.

Storage Plus Service allows the System Users to move gas on an interruptible basis in the direction opposite to the actual physical flow at the storage facility and/or the direction of flow announced for the relevant period. This means that they will be able to perform injection during the withdrawal cycle, and withdrawal during the injection cycle, regardless of the actual physical direction of flow at the storage facility.

This is possible in two ways:

- either by virtual supply in the direction opposite to the announced direction at the zero point of the unified storage facility,
- or by starting up a storage facility in the flow direction opposite to that of the announced storage cycle.

### Service Scope:

The Service allows the System User to use interruptible injection and withdrawal capacities in the direction opposite to the announced storage direction in an amount up to **three times** the firm injection and withdrawal capacity specified in the System User's contract(s).

### Service Fee:

It shall be invoiced at the price specified in the applicable Fee List, based on the allocated quantity indicated in the monthly protocol published on the IT platform. Volume fees are not included in the service fee.

If the System User has an Express contract, - up to the amount of the budget limit - the interruptible injection and withdrawal capacity in the direction opposite to the announced direction of storage flow in the quantity **equal to** the System User's contracted firm capacity (kWh/day) shall be settled at the unit price specified in the applicable Express offer announcement; while the quantity used in excess thereof (up to the double) shall be invoiced at the unit price specified in the applicable Fee List.

### Conditions of Use:

It is an indispensable precondition for using the service that the System User has storage booking at the storage licensee under a relating Natural Gas Storage Contract on seasonal storage provided as a basic service. System user shall submit its nomination for Storage Plus quantities on the nomination interface of MFGT's IT Platform pursuant to the Natural Gas Storage Contract.

Storage Plus service is provided to system users by MFGT on the following terms:

- The service can be used as interruptible capacity at the storage licensee on every day of the year,
- The requested Storage Plus quantity shall be announced by the system user prior to the gas day, during nomination,
- The requested quantity may be modified by the user of the service within half a day and, in the case of re-nomination, subject to the storage licensee’s approval,
- The fee payment for the Storage Plus service shall be as per the applicable fee list,
- The financial settlement and invoicing of the Storage Plus storage service shall be carried out posteriorly, based on the quantities actually allocated.

The table below indicates any and all possible scenarios:

Storage Period	Storage flow direction announced by MFGT		Physical storage flow direction	Theoretically possible storage flow directions, services used	Required capacity booking at MFGT	Fee payable/free of charge in relation to Storage Plus at MFGT
1 April - 30 September	Injection	1.	injection	injection	Basic	Free
		2.	withdrawal	withdrawal	Storage Plus	Fee payable
		3.	withdrawal	virtual injection	Storage Plus	Free
		4.	injection	virtual withdrawal	Storage Plus	Fee payable
1 October - 31 March	Withdrawal	5.	injection	injection	Storage Plus	Fee payable
		6.	withdrawal	withdrawal	Basic	Free
		7.	withdrawal	virtual injection	Storage Plus	Fee payable
		8.	injection	virtual withdrawal	Storage Plus	Free

Announced storage flow direction defines what is considered as the basic service for the unified storage facility in the given period. Physical storage flow direction means physical injection or withdrawal, regardless of the cycle. The column labelled as required capacity booking specifies the type of required capacity booking. Accordingly, system users shall pay an additional fee for Storage Plus service bookings.

### During the Injection Period

1. The unified storage facility is in injection mode, or – based on the quantity requested – the system user is able to independently start up a storage facility reported ready for injection, and the system user has an injection requirement. ***This service is in line with the officially announced mode of operation of the unified storage facility, therefore it shall not be subject to Storage Plus fee payment.***
2. If, during the injection period, the unified storage facility continues to operate in withdrawal mode based on the requirements of the system users, and the system user requires withdrawal. ***This service allows the system user to move gas in the direction opposite to the officially announced mode of operation of the unified storage facility, which shall qualify as Storage Plus service and shall be subject to Storage Plus fee payment.***
3. If, during the injection period, the unified storage facility operates in withdrawal mode based on the requirements of the system users, and the system user requires injection without being able to start up a storage facility reported to be ready for injection, but the request can be satisfied by backhaul at the unified storage facility. ***This service is in line with the officially announced mode of operation of the unified storage facility, therefore it shall not be subject to Storage Plus fee payment.***
4. The unified storage facility is in the injection mode and the system user requires withdrawal that can be satisfied by backhaul at the unified storage facility. ***This service allows the system user to move gas in the direction opposite to the officially announced mode of operation of the unified storage facility, which shall qualify as Storage Plus service and shall be subject to Storage Plus fee payment.***

### During the Withdrawal Period

5. If, during the withdrawal period, the unified storage facility operates in injection mode based on the requirements of the system users, and the system user requires injection. ***This service allows the system user to move gas in the direction opposite to the officially announced mode of operation of the unified storage facility, which shall qualify as Storage Plus service and shall be subject to Storage Plus fee payment.***

6. The unified storage facility is in withdrawal mode, or the system user is able to independently start up a storage facility reported ready for withdrawal, and the system user has a withdrawal requirement. ***This service is in line with the officially announced mode of operation of the unified storage facility, therefore it shall not be subject to Storage Plus fee payment.***
7. The unified storage facility is in the withdrawal mode and the system user requires injection that can be satisfied by backhaul at the unified storage facility. ***This service allows the system user to move gas in the direction opposite to the officially announced mode of operation of the unified storage facility, which shall qualify as Storage Plus service and shall be subject to Storage Plus fee payment.***
8. If, during the withdrawal period, the unified storage facility operates in injection mode based on the requirements of the system users, and the system user requires withdrawal without being able to start up a storage facility reported to be ready for withdrawal, but the request can be satisfied by backhaul at the unified storage facility. ***This service is in line with the officially announced mode of operation of the unified storage facility, therefore it shall not be subject to Storage Plus fee payment.***