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Statistical coverage of transport of gas through pipelines

Note by Denmark

In view of the interest of the Working Party to exchange views and cooperation regarding the statistical coverage of transport of gas through pipelines the Government of Denmark prepared the following document for information and discussion.

Gas pipeline transport

Suggestion of definitions concerning gas pipeline transport.

A. Gas pipelines

1. Gas pipelines are pipes for the movement of natural gas by pumping. Only high pressure pipes made of steel and constructed to have a design pressure of at least 80 bars are included.

Including:

- "Upstream pipeline network" i.e. network of pipelines operated and/or constructed as part of an oil or gas production project, or used to convey natural gas from one or more such projects to a processing plant or terminal or final coastal landing terminal
- "Transmission" pipelines, i.e. high pressure pipelines for transport of natural gas through a pipeline network other than an upstream pipeline network with a view to its delivery to customers, but not including supply;
- 2. The definition is in line with Article 2 in Directive 2003/55/EC. Cf. definition DI/II-01 of GLOSSARY for Transport Statistics.

B. Gas pipelines network

3. All gas pipelines in a given area.

The territory of the area in question includes that part of the seabed allocated to it under a concession.

Cf. definition DI/II-02 of GLOSSARY for Transport Statistics.

C. Gas pipeline enterprise

4. Enterprise formed to carry out in one or more places activities for the production of gas pipeline transport services and whose main activities according to the value-added is transport by gas pipelines.

In terms of activity classifications the following classes are involved:

- ISIC/Rev.3: 6030 Transport via pipelines.
- NACE/Rev.1: 60.30 Transport via pipelines.
- 5. Only units that actually carry out an activity during the reference period should be included. "Dormant" units or those that have not as yet begun their activity are excluded.
- 6. Including transport in transmission pipelines and pumping stations. Excluding production, liquefaction of gas, storage of natural gas, distribution and supply of gas.

Cf. definition DIII-02 of GLOSSARY for Transport Statistics.

D. Gas pipeline transport

7. Any transmission of natural gas and LNG through a high pressure pipeline network. Is it possible to distinguish between national, international and transit transport? Cf. definition DIV/V-01 of GLOSSARY for Transport Statistics.

E. Tonne-kilometres by gas pipeline

8. Unit of measure of transport which represents transport of one tonne of goods by gas pipeline over one kilometre.

The distance taken into account is the distance actually run.

Cf. definition DIV/V-05 of GLOSSARY for Transport Statistics.