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Consultation on Avonmouth LNG facility

- National Grid LNG Storage announces a stakeholder consultation on its proposal to cease operational activities at Avonmouth LNG storage facility from 30th April 2016.
- The consultation runs between 27 November 2014 and 16 January 2015
- Further information is available from
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Avonmouth Facility

- NG LNG Storage has previously engaged market participants seeking long term commercial contracts to underpin reinvestment in its facilities
 - Clear market signal no requirement given diversity in supplies and demand side markets.
 - Conversion of Isle of Grain, Sale and Closure Dynevor, Glenmavis, Partington
- Lack of operational resilience and repeated failures of the aging process plant at Avonmouth (30+ years old).
 - 7 unplanned outages in last 7 years
 - Last 2 years liquefaction failure has occurred with extended lead-times necessary for repair impacting LNG stock replenishment and strategic spare provisions.
- NG LNG Storage have reminded stakeholders of the resilience risks of the plant and single point of failure
 - NGG Operating Margins already implemented contestable supply / demand side contracts
 - Discussions ongoing with SGN with regard to the Statutory Independent Undertakings.
 - LNG retailers already importing from NW European terminals