

# Manual: Handling CSC activations via the GOPACS Pull API

## Manual

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## Introduction

When your company is registered on GOPACS, your grid connection is pre-qualified and your capacity steering contract (CSC) or capacity limiting contract (CLC, which we will call CSC in this document) has been added by your grid operator, you are ready to participate in day-ahead congestion management. Grid operators can activate your contract to request you to adjust your feed-in or off-take according to the agreements in your CSC.

In this manual, you will read how you can set your company account to use the GOPACS Pull API for CSC activations and what is needed to receive the required capacity adjustments on the regarding grid connection when the contract has been activated by the grid operator.

**⚠ Note:** The GOPACS Pull API is currently only available for CSC activations, not for ATR activations (TDTR and VVTR). If your company also participates in ATR, you can currently only use 'Own UFTP Implementation' for both products. At this time, it is not possible to use different activation handling methods for CSC and ATR.

## What is the GOPACS Pull API?

The GOPACS Pull API is a new and third option for handling activations on your contract. Until March 2026, only the two options 'GOPACS UI' and 'Own UFTP implementation' were available. Because building an UFTP implementation is not an evident option for several companies, we have created this new option. This option is easier to implement but still can be automated within your company processes in order to prevent manual actions per activation.

When using the GOPACS Pull API, GOPACS will process accepting the contract activation from the grid operator automatically. As a Pull API using company you are required to request the result of the contract activation by API at least every hour.

The results of the activations are presented in the API response as 'Effective limits'. These 'Effective limits' contain a 'minPower' and a 'maxPower' per ISP (*Imbalance Settlement Period* — a 15-minute settlement interval) between which you are required to keep your feed-in or off-take capacity. Details are in the API specification which can be found on the Swagger URLs below.



## How to read the instructions

The steps in the instruction manual are described in table form to clearly define the steps. The following columns are defined.

Column	Definition
Step	Order in which the steps are needed to be executed.
Description	Describes in detail what happens in the step.

## Glossary

Is there a term that is unclear, the explanation is probably in our Glossary.

For Dutch the glossary is located here: [Begrippenlijst - GOPACS](#)

For English the glossary is located here: [Glossary - GOPACS](#)

## Other


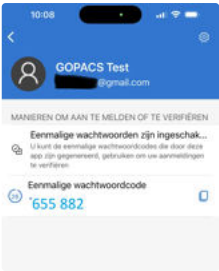

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## Instructions

### 1 – Preparation: Set you company account to use the GOPACS Pull API

Step	Description
1	<p><b>Log in on the GOPACS-platform</b></p> <p>Go to: <a href="http://app.gopacs.eu">app.gopacs.eu</a> to log in.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enter your email address and password.</li></ul>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enter your 'One-time code'.</li></ul> <p>Open the authentication-app on your mobile phone for the one-time code of your GOPACS-account.</p>  <p>Enter this 'One-time code' and click 'Sign in'.</p>  <p>You are now logged in.</p>



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## Set to use the GOPACS Pull API for handling contract activations

Go via the menu on the left to 'My company details' and then click the tab 'UFTP'. Select as 'Method to use for CSC activations' the option: 'Use the GOPACS Pull API'. You will then see an opt-in checkbox appearing. By clicking this checkbox:

- you agree to let GOPACS handle the communication with the grid operator regarding CSC activations;
- you agree to request the effective limits per hour by API.

Then click 'Save Changes'.

The screenshot shows the GOPACS web interface. On the left is a navigation menu with 'My company details' selected. The main content area is titled 'My company details' and has three tabs: 'General', 'Users', and 'UFTP'. The 'UFTP' tab is active. Under 'UFTP Details', there is a warning message: 'You are about to change the way you receive activations of your Capacity Steering Contracts. Do you have any ongoing Capacity Steering Contracts? Then also report this change to your grid company(s). This can help prevent any ongoing activations from being disrupted.' Below this, the 'Method to use for CSC activations' section has three radio button options: 'Use the GOPACS UI', 'Use the GOPACS Pull API' (which is selected), and 'Use own UFTP-implementation'. A toggle switch is turned on for 'I allow GOPACS to handle CSC activations automatically'. Below the toggle is a note: 'By allowing GOPACS, you agree that GOPACS handles the communication regarding the CSC activations. You will need to request the effective limits per quarter-hour yourself in order to carry out the activations.' At the bottom right of the form is a 'Save changes' button.



### 3 **Implement requesting the effective limits by API on an hourly basis**

In addition to setting up your account to use the GOPACS Pull API for handling contract activations, you also need to align your operational process accordingly. You must ensure that the results of contract activations by the grid operator are retrieved through the GOPACS Pull API at least once every hour.

The API provides the 'Effective limits' for a grid connection and period caused by contract activations.

The API specification can be found here:

- Production environment: <https://api.gopacs-services.eu/docs/flex-contract-activations/swagger-ui/index.html?urls.primaryName=Effective+Limits+API+V1>
- Acceptance environment: <https://api.acc.gopacs-services.eu/docs/flex-contract-activations/swagger-ui/index.html?urls.primaryName=Effective+Limits+API+V1>

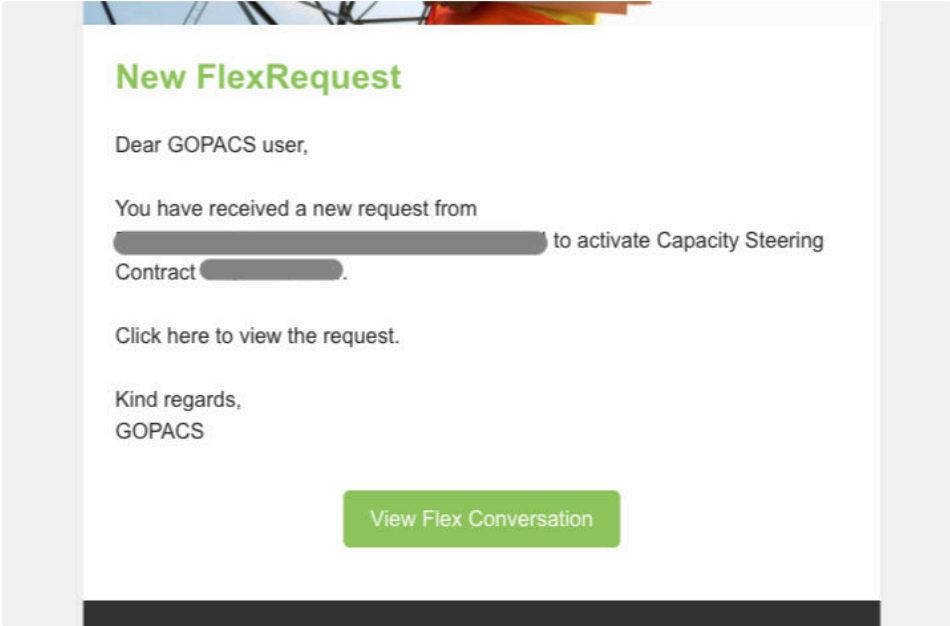
You are required to pull this API at least once every hour, 24/7, for each grid connection EAN for which your company has a capacity steering contract.

The response contains the contract activations for the requested EAN (grid connection) and period. For each ISP (*Imbalance Settlement Period* — a 15-minute settlement interval), the required minimum and maximum power limits are provided. In addition, the response includes an overview of all activations within each ISP. If multiple activations exist within the same ISP, the most recent activation is leading.

After implementing this hourly request, you are ready to use the GOPACS Pull API.



## 2 – What happens when your contract gets activated by the grid operator?

Step	Description
1	<p><b>When your contract gets activated by the grid operator, the contacts of the company will receive an e-mail with link to the details of the request.</b></p>  <p>Where GOPACS GUI users must accept the request through clicking the link to open the details of the request and then clicking the accept button, by using the GOPACS Pull API, <u>you do not need to do this</u>. GOPACS will automatically accept the request for you after which the grid operator can finalize it.</p> <p>You can still click the link in the e-mail and see that the request already has been 'Finalized', no action is needed on the opened page.</p>
2	<p><b>Your implemented hourly request to the GOPACS Pull API will automatically receive the resulting Effective Limits for the grid connection.</b></p> <p>Simply clicking the link in the email and steering the asset based on that information does not meet the requirements for using the GOPACS Pull API. Retrieving the data through the API at least once every hour is mandatory.</p> <p>These API requests will be logged, allowing grid operators to verify whether the required requests are being performed on time and in accordance with the agreed process.</p>

## 3 – Overview of contract activations



## Step Description

1 On the GOPACS-platform, you can see the activations on your contract(s) via the screen 'Conversations' (NL: 'Afroepen'). This page shows all contract activations and their status.

You can navigate to this screen via the menu on the left: go to 'Capacity Steering Contracts' (NL: 'Capaciteitssturingcontracten') and then select 'Conversations' (ENG: 'Afroepen').

Capacity limiting contracts activations are also shown on this page. On the GOPACS-platform, these are named 'capacity steering contracts'.

The screenshot shows the GOPACS interface for the 'Afroepen' screen. The left sidebar contains a navigation menu with options like Home, Test controleoverzicht, Organisaties, Redispatch, Aansluitingen, Capaciteitssturingcontracten (selected), Contracten, Afroepen (selected), Gemiste invoeding, Blindvermogen, and Alternatieve Transportrechten. The main area displays a table of contract activations with columns for COMESTRATUM, EAN, CONTRACT ID, STATUS, RICHTING, and STUURWIJZE. The table includes filter buttons at the top: Verzoek verzonden, Aanbod ontvangen, Defectief, Afgewezen, Verlopen, and Mistak om te verzenden. The table data is as follows:

COMESTRATUM	EAN	CONTRACT ID	STATUS	RICHTING	STUURWIJZE
28-09-2025	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Defectief	Onbekend	Beperking
28-09-2025	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Verlopen	Afhame	Beperking
11-07-2025	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Defectief	Afhame	Beperking
10-07-2025	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Defectief	Afhame	Beperking
10-07-2025	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Defectief	Afhame	Beperking
05-07-2025	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Verlopen	Invoeding	Beperking
14-06-2025	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Verlopen	Invoeding	Beperking
21-05-2025	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Verlopen	Invoeding	Beperking
15-05-2025	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Verlopen	Invoeding	Beperking
09-05-2025	0101010101010101	8-08-9-24567	Verlopen	Invoeding	Beperking



## Technical links

Step	Link	Description
1	<a href="https://api.gopacs-services.eu/docs/flex-contract-activations/swagger-ui/index.html?urls.primaryName=Effective+Limits+API+V1">https://api.gopacs-services.eu/docs/flex-contract-activations/swagger-ui/index.html?urls.primaryName=Effective+Limits+API+V1</a>	Swagger API Specification - Production environment
2	<a href="https://api.acc.gopacs-services.eu/docs/flex-contract-activations/swagger-ui/index.html?urls.primaryName=Effective+Limits+API+V1">https://api.acc.gopacs-services.eu/docs/flex-contract-activations/swagger-ui/index.html?urls.primaryName=Effective+Limits+API+V1</a>	Swagger API Specification - Acceptance environment - for testing