

Russian Gas Flows to EU Via Ukraine Down From Last Week

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A pressure gauge, pipes and valves are pictured at a boosting compressor station (BCS) on the East Poltava gas field near the village of Kovalivka, in Poltava region, Ukraine.

PRAGUE — Russian natural-gas flows to the European Union through Slovakia via Ukraine on Thursday were similar to previous days this week, but still down from last week, Slovak pipeline operator Eustream said.

Nominations, or the amount scheduled for entry, totaled 48.9 million cubic meters, Eustream's website showed.

Compared with last week, gas deliveries have fallen about 17 percent to their lowest volumes since at least 2011.

Russia's Gazprom said Wednesday that it was unable to meet rising gas demand from Europe while it built up stockpiles ahead of winter, undermining the ability of Europe to supply

Ukraine with gas.

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