

Czech Oil Shipment Down

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Urals crude oil export to the Czech Republic via the Druzhba pipeline is seen at 280,000 tons in April, down from the scheduled 410,000 tons, a spokesman for oil pipeline monopoly Transneft said Thursday.

"For now, 230,000 tons are registered to go, 50,000 tons are in works. All the volumes are from Gazprom Neft," Igor Dyomin said. Dyomin said Transneft has been collecting requests from companies for pipeline capacity by April 17.

"Now, it's impossible to increase the deliveries. ... Technically, a special government decree is needed for this," he said, adding that the volumes for Slovakia and Hungary are covered in line with the schedule.

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