

**UNC Modification Panel Meeting 309 – Post Panel Summary**

**20 July 2023**

Link to the event page on the web: <https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/panel/200723>

Agenda Item	Determination	Outcome
<b>Urgent Modifications</b>		
None		
<b>Variation Requests</b>		
None		
<b>Final Modification Reports</b>		
<p><b>0839 – Revision of the Modification Panel Membership Cessation Provisions</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0839">https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0839</a></p> <p><b>Phil Lucas, National Gas Transmission</b></p> <p>To revise the Modification Rules to mandate that where a Member of the Modification Panel ceases to be employed or engaged by the same specified entity as at the time of nomination, that Member will cease to be a Member of the UNC Modification Panel.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Were any new issues identified during the Consultation?</li> <li>• Are there any Cross-Code Impacts (IGT UNC)?</li> <li>• Should this Modification be implemented?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 reps received; 3 in support; 1 not in support</li> <li>• No new issues identified.</li> <li>• No Cross Code impacts.</li> <li>• This Authority Direction Modification should be implemented.</li> </ul>

<p><b>0844 – Enabling Direct Contractual Arrangements with Consumers for Demand Side Response</b>  <a href="https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0844">https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0844</a>  <b>Phil Hobbins, National Gas Transmission</b></p> <p>The purpose of this Modification is to expand the scope of the Demand Side Response (DSR) arrangements (as set out in the UNC) to enable the establishment of direct contractual arrangements between National Gas Transmission (NGT) and individual Consumers for the voluntary reduction of their gas demand.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Were any new issues identified during the Consultation?</li> <li>• Are there any Cross-Code Impacts (IGT UNC)?</li> <li>• Should this Modification be implemented?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No new issues identified.</li> <li>• Cross-Code impacts.</li> <li>• This Authority Direction Modification should be implemented.</li> </ul>
<p><b>0845 – Enhancements to Demand Side Response (DSR) Arrangements including a D-5 Product</b>  <a href="https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0845">https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0845</a>  <b>Phil Hobbins, National Gas Transmission</b></p> <p>This Modification, raised as an output from Request 0835R, seeks to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extend eligibility to participate in gas DSR to Class 2 Consumers;</li> <li>• Amend the determination of the quantity of demand reduction under a DSR Option;</li> <li>• Enable DSR Option Offers to specify</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Were any new issues identified during the Consultation?</li> <li>• Are there any Cross-Code Impacts (IGT UNC)?</li> <li>• Should this Modification be implemented?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No new issues identified.</li> <li>• Cross-Code impacts.</li> <li>• This Authority Direction Modification should be implemented.</li> </ul>

<p>restrictions to the days on which the DSR Option could be exercised and incorporate this into the NGT assessment process for DSR Options;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clarify the obligations of a User if a DSR Option is exercised;</li> <li>• Provide greater optionality for Users and Consumers in the DSR Options tender process; and</li> <li>• Enable National Gas Transmission (NGT) to procure DSR Options that may be exercised with a 5-day lead-time.</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Workgroup Issues / Updates</b></p>		
<p><b>0808 – Reverse Compression</b>  <a href="https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0808">https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0808</a>  <b>Tim Davis, Barrow Shipping</b>                  To modify the UNC to enable a Distribution Network Operator (DNO) and an Independent Gas Transporter (IGT) to enter into a bilateral ‘operator to operator’ agreement, enabled by the iGT Arrangements Document (IGTAD) and containing Network Entry Provisions, to allow physical gas to be offtaken from a DNO by an IGT, compressed to a higher pressure, then returned to the same DNO by the IGT, through a process known as reverse compression.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussion around Workgroup Report submission to Panel</li> </ul>	

<p>Reverse compression has zero net impact on physical flow into or out of the Total System, other than the initial filling (commissioning) of the IGT System, which is already established in IGTAD and the DNO's associated CSEP Connection Arrangements. Neither reverse compression nor commissioning requires User involvement.</p>		
<b>Workgroup Reports for Consideration</b>		
<p><b>0808 – Reverse Compression</b>  <a href="https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0808">https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0808</a>  <b>Tim Davis, Barrow Shipping</b>                  To modify the UNC to enable a Distribution Network Operator (DNO) and an Independent Gas Transporter (IGT) to enter into a bilateral 'operator to operator' agreement, enabled by the iGT Arrangements Document (IGTAD) and containing Network Entry Provisions, to allow physical gas to be offtaken from a DNO by an IGT, compressed to a higher pressure, then returned to the same DNO by the IGT, through a process known as reverse compression.                  Reverse compression has zero net impact on physical flow into or out of the Total System, other than the initial filling (commissioning) of the IGT System, which</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Should this Modification be issued for Consultation and be considered at short notice at the August 2023 Panel?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Panel determined this Modification should proceed to Consultation and report at short notice to the August 2023 Panel.</li> </ul>

<p>is already established in IGTAD and the DNO's associated CSEP Connection Arrangements. Neither reverse compression nor commissioning require User involvement.</p>		
<p><b>0825 – Removal of the remaining Retrospective Asset, Address and Supply Point (RAASP) elements of the Retrospective Adjustment arrangements put in place under Modification 0434</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0825">https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0825</a></p> <p><b>Alex Cebo, EDF</b></p> <p>To remove the remaining Retrospective Asset, Address and Supply Point (RAASP) elements of the Retrospective Adjustment arrangements put in place under Modifications 0434 and 0651</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Should this Modification be issued for Consultation and be considered at short notice at the August 2023 Panel?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Panel determined this Modification should proceed to Consultation and report to the September 2023 Panel.</li> </ul>
<p><b>0846 – Use of Entry Capacity Holdings at Easington at the Rough Storage ASEP in Winter 2023/2024</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0846">https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0846</a></p> <p><b>Ricky Hill, Centrica Storage Limited</b></p> <p>This modification proposal will ensure entry capacity holdings at the Easington ASEP can be utilised at the Rough Storage ASEP during Winter 2023/24 in the same way as they were during Winter 2022/23. An enhancement has been proposed to</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Should this Modification be issued for Consultation and be considered at the August 2023 Panel?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Panel determined this Modification should proceed to Consultation and report at short notice to the August 2023 Panel.</li> </ul>

<p>permit any User which secures Rough Storage Capacity is able to redesignate Easington Entry Capacity to the Rough ASEP.</p>		
<b>Consider New – Non-Urgent Modifications</b>		
<p><b>0850 - Amendments to Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert (AUGE) arrangements to introduce a new Residual Upstream Contributor</b>  <a href="https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0850">https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0850</a>  <b>Steve Mulinganie – SEFE Energy</b>  <b>Purpose of Modification:</b>                  This Modification proposes to amend the existing Allocation of Unidentified Gas arrangements to introduce a new Residual Upstream Contributor that will be the new daily balancing factor for Unidentified Gas.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are there any Cross-Code Impacts (IGT UNC)?</li> <li>• Does this Modification meet the Self-Governance Criteria?</li> <li>• Should this Modification be issued to Workgroup with a report to be presented to the January 2024 Panel?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cross Code impacts.</li> <li>• Does not meet the Self-Governance criteria</li> <li>• Issued to the Distribution Workgroup with a Report to be presented to the July 2024 Panel.</li> </ul>
<p><b>0851R – Extending the Annually Read PC4 Supply Meter Point (SMP) read submission window</b>  <a href="https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0851">https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0851</a>  <b>David Morley – OVO Energy</b>  <b>Purpose of Request:</b>                  Under UNC TPD, M, 5.9.4, Shippers have 25 Supply Point Systems Business Days (SPSBD) after the read date to submit a read for settlement. Where there's an issue</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are there any Cross-Code Impacts (IGT UNC)?</li> <li>• Does this Modification meet the Self-Governance Criteria?</li> <li>• Should this Modification be issued to Workgroup with a report to be presented to the October 2023 Panel?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Deferred to September 2023 Panel.</li> </ul>

<p>preventing the read from being validated, and that issue is not resolvable within the 25 SPSBD timeframe, the read becomes unusable. This is highly problematic for meter reads that are hard to retrieve. It needs addressing because enabling valid reads to be entered into settlement decreases settlement imbalance, unbilled, Unidentified Gas (No reads at Line in the Sand is a UIG contributor), manual AQ fixes, repeated costs for additional site visits, and time and money spent on must-reads.</p>		
<p><b>Existing Modifications for re-Consideration</b></p>		
<p><b>Review of Modifications awaiting Ofgem Decision</b></p>	<p><a href="https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/code-modificationmodification-proposals-ofgem-decision-expected-publication-dates-timetable">https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/code-modificationmodification-proposals-ofgem-decision-expected-publication-dates-timetable</a></p>	
<p><b>Modification Reporting</b></p>		
<p><b>Workgroup Report Dates</b></p>		
<p><b>0819 - Establishing/Amending a Gas Vacant Site Process</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does the Panel approve a 2 Month Extension to October 2023?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extension approved</li> </ul>
<p><b>0836S - Resolution of Missing Messages following Central Switching Service implementation and integration with REC Change R0067</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does the Panel approve a 1 Month Extension to September 2023?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extension approved</li> </ul>
<p><b>0841 - Introduction of cost efficiency and transparency requirements for the CDSP Budget, and revisions to DSC</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does the Panel approve a 1 Month Extension to October 2023?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extension approved</li> </ul>

<b>change processes</b>		
<b>0843 - Establishing the Independent Shrinkage Charge and the Independent Shrinkage Expert</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does the Panel approve a 2 Month Extension to October 2023?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Extension approved</li> </ul>
<b>Legal Text Requests</b>		
<b>0808 – Reverse Compression</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Legal Text Request</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not required, already requested on 20 April 2023.</li> </ul>
<b>0846 - Use of Entry Capacity Holdings at Easington at the Rough Storage ASEP in Winter 2023/2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Deemed Legal Text Request</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Text Request Accepted</li> </ul>
<b>0847 - Introduction of a Minimum General Non-Transmission Services Charge</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Legal Text Request</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Text Request Accepted</li> </ul>
<b>0848S - Alignment of Entry and Exit Capacity Constraint Management Provisions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Legal Text Request</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Text Request Accepted</li> </ul>
<b>AOB</b>		
<b>a) UNC User Representation Process Update</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Panel to note</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted</li> </ul>
<b>To follow immediately after the UNC Modification Panel Meeting</b>		
<b>UNC Committee (UNCC) Matters</b>		
<b>a) Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>UNCC to approve</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approved</li> </ul>



<b>Expert v10.0</b>		
<b>b) Review of AUG Year Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• UNCC to note</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Noted</li></ul>