

APPLICATION FOR CONSENT TO MODIFY THE UNIFORM NETWORK CODE

"Extension of the Sunset Clauses for Registration of Capacity at NTS Exit Points"
Version 3.0

Reference: C015

Transporter Proposal

The legal text in respect of Modification Proposal 0046 that was implemented on 23/01/06 contains dates in the Transition Rules that do not align with the proposal. The proposal states that

- i for gas year 2008/09, DNO Users would be able to request capacity within two weeks of implementation of the proposal - on the basis that the modification would be implemented on 1 October 2005, the text states a date of 15 October 2005
- ii Transco NTS would then respond within a further 4 weeks i.e. 6 weeks from implementation of the proposal - on the basis that the modification would be implemented on 1 October 2005, the text states a date of 12 November 2005

We therefore wish to seek a consent to modify to align the legal text with the proposal now that the implementation date has been confirmed. Please find attached proposed legal text amendments made within the implementation notice.

The opportunity has also been taken to replace any reference to Transco in accordance with Consent to Modify C011.

Nature of Modification

UNIFORM NETWORK CODE – TRANSITION DOCUMENT

PART IIC – TRANSITION RULES

“ 1.1 TPD Section B : SYSTEM USE AND CAPACITY

Amend the following new paragraphs to paragraph 1.1.1:

1.1.2 TPD Section B6.3.2(b)

A DNO User may apply for an amount of NTS Offtake Capacity at an NTS/LDZ Offtake in relation to the relevant Gas Year ending 30 September 2009 by submitting an application to ~~Fransco~~ National Grid NTS no later than ~~15 October 2005~~ 6 February 2006 subject to and in accordance with TPD Section B6.

1.1.3 TPD Section B6.3.6

In the case of an application under paragraph 1.1.2, ~~Fransoo National Grid~~ NTS will notify the DNO User by no later than ~~12 November 2005~~ 6 March 2006 whether such application has been accepted in whole or in part, or rejected, specifying (where the application is accepted in part) the amount of NTS (Flat) Capacity and /or NTS Offtake (Flexibility) Capacity for which the application is accepted.

1.1.4 TPD Section B 6.2.1

~~Fransoo National Grid~~ NTS will issue to each of the DNO Users not later than ~~12 November 2005~~ 6 March 2006 a revised Offtake Capacity Statement specifying the amount of NTS Offtake (Flat) Capacity, NTS (Flexibility) Capacity and Assured Offtake Pressures for each of the DNO Users for each of the Gas Years up to and including the Gas Year ending 30 September 2009 in relation to each NTS/LDZ Offtake.”

“1.2 TPD Section J : EXIT REQUIREMENTS

Add the following paragraphs to paragraph 1.2.1 :

1.2.2 TPD Section J2.5.4(b)

A DNO User may, at the time at which it may apply for an amount of NTS Offtake Capacity (in accordance with paragraph 1.1.2) apply for Assured Offtake Pressures in relation to each NTS/LDZ Offtake for the Gas Year ending 30 September 2009.

1.2.3 TPD Section J2.5.7

Where an application has been made in accordance with paragraph 1.2.2 then where the Assured Offtake Pressures specified in the Offtake Capacity Statement for the preceding year are:

- (a) greater than or equal to the Assured Offtake Pressures applied for, such application will be accepted;
- (b) less than the Assured Offtake Pressures applied for, the Assured Offtake Pressures accepted will be not less than the values specified in the Offtake Capacity Statement for such preceding year;

and in either case ~~Fransoo National Grid~~ NTS will notify the DNO User accordingly by no later than ~~12 November 2005~~ 6 March 2006.”

Transporter Application

This application contains the Transporters' proposal to modify the Uniform Network Code for which they now seek the consent of the Authority,

Signed for and on behalf of Transporter.

Signature:

Tim Davis
Chief Executive, Joint Office of Gas Transporters

Date:

Gas and Electricity Markets Authority Response:

In accordance with Standard Special Condition A11 'Network Code and the Uniform Network Code' of the Gas Transporters Licence, I hereby consent to the above modification to the Code

Signed for and on Behalf of the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority.

Signature:

Date: