

# **OPERATIONAL RULES GOVERNING THE SUPPLY OF INVOICE CHARGES VIA THE AD-HOC PROCESS**

## Document Control

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<u>4.0</u>	<u>18 October 2012</u>	<u>Amendments to reflect SIS removal, maintenance of invoice types – i.e. additional ad hoc invoices, remove defunct invoices.</u>
3.1	15 Nov 2007	Format revisions: Title page, Document Control, Development of Rules, Contents page, headers and footers.
2.1	15 Apr 2005	Rules updated to Version 2.1 to accommodate DN Sales
2.0	21 Mar 2005	Rules updated. Amended to Version 2.0
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	<u>August 2012</u>	<u>Amendments</u>

## Development of Rules

1. The requirement to publish the Operational Rules Governing the Supply of Invoice Charges via the Ad-hoc Process (the Rules) is specified in Section S2.4.7 of the Transportation Principal Document (TPD) of the Uniform Network Code (UNC). This section also provides for the document to be published and revised from time to time. The provision reads<sup>1</sup>:

“The management of the issuing of Ad-hoc Invoices and the services provided in respect of Ad-hoc Invoices are contained in the ‘Operational Rules Governing the Supply of Invoice Charges via the Ad-hoc Process’ which is the document so entitled, published and revised (subject to prior approval by Panel Majority of the Uniform Network Code Committee) from time to time by the Transporters (following consultation with Users) and such document does not form part of Code.”

2. The Rules set out below meet the Transporter’s obligation to prepare Rules, while the Document Control Section records changes which have been made to the Rules. The document is published on the Joint Office of Gas Transporters website, [www.gasgovernance.co.uk](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk).
3. The Transporters would welcome comments from Users on the published document at any time, which should be sent to [enquiries@gasgovernance.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@gasgovernance.co.uk). In accordance

<sup>1</sup> Correct as at 15 October 2007, Version 2.51 of the UNC.

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with the UNC, the Transporters will put any proposed revisions of the document to  
the Uniform Network Code Committee for approval.

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## 1. The Rules

The Operational Rules Governing the Supply of Invoice Charges via the Ad-hoc Process (the Rules) cover circumstances where the ad-hoc process is used to issue invoices.

### 1.1. Ad-hoc invoice types and issue notification

For the purpose of the Rules, invoices issued through the ad-hoc process are categorised into two groups:

i) Scheduled and/or predictable

These invoice charges are incurred as a result of User activities. It is therefore considered that the value of these invoices is predictable and that Users have sufficient information to forecast their invoice charges. Supporting information is issued on the same day as the invoice.

ii) Ad-hoc Invoices where the invoice value is not predictable

These are invoice charges that are unpredictable in value and, for some charges, in frequency of issue.

The supporting data for these invoices will be issued at least five days in advance of the invoice.

For clarification:

Supporting Documentation Issued:	Invoice Issued:
Monday	following Monday
Tuesday	following Monday
Wednesday	following Monday
Thursday	following Tuesday
Friday	following Wednesday

Appendices I and II below identify the invoice types which fall into each category. Details of charge types associated with those invoice types are maintained on [the Shipper Information Service \(SIS\) database](#). [UK Link documentation website \(www.xoserveextranet.com\)](#)

### 1.2. Supporting Information

The ad-hoc supporting information is produced in a number of formats, and may be issued to Users via paper, fax, computer disk, e-mail or the IX.

### **1.3. New Charge Types**

The ad-hoc facility is used to invoice a number of charges types. One month's notice will be given of the introduction of a new charge type, where no change is required to file formats. This notification will include:

- Charge Type
- Charge Type Description
- Invoice Type
- VAT Code

### **1.4. New Invoices**

On creation of each new invoice type, Users will be provided with a full explanation of the origin of the invoice, description, charge type(s), format of supporting information and content of supporting information. Creation of a new invoice type would require consultation and approval via the UK Link Committee and would be subject to the notification timescales associated with the consultation process.

## 2. Appendices

### Appendix I – Scheduled or Predictable Invoices

These invoices are predictable in value by Users and the supporting information is issued on the same day.

#### 1a Scheduled and/or predictable UNC Invoices

Unique Sites

CSEPs

~~IFAs~~

~~Shorthaul Adjustments~~

Datalogger Charges

Must Reads

Prime and Sub Reads

Operating Margins Gas

Compression

Storage Own Use Gas

~~Sale/Purchase of surplus gas stocks~~

~~NTS Exit Capacity overruns~~

Failure to Interrupt

Unique Sites Reconciliation

CSEPs Reconciliation

LDZ CSEP Overruns

~~NTS Entry Commodity~~

LPG

~~Liquidated Damages~~

Unique Site Ratchets

UNC Contingency

Standard Of Service Liabilities

Failure to Supply Gas (GSOS)

~~DN Interruption Option & Exercise~~

~~User Pays Type 1~~

#### ~~1b Scheduled and/or predictable Non-UNC Invoices~~

~~Incentive Based Contracts~~

~~Provision of Appointment Reads~~

~~Meter Readings~~

~~Metering Liabilities~~

The above lists are not intended to be exhaustive and may be subject to change, ~~the latest versions can be found on the xoserve website (www.xoserve.com).~~

## Appendix II – Unpredictable Invoices

### 2. Invoices where the value is not predictable

These invoices are unpredictable in value and/or issue date by Users. The supporting information is issued at least five days before the invoice issue date.

Financial Adjustments

Theft of Gas

Interest Payments

Ad-hoc RbD Charges

Annual Shrinkage Adjustment to RbD

~~Exit Capacity Incentives (EPIC)~~

Off-line DM Reconciliation

Off-line NDM Reconciliation

Primary Meter Reconciliation

Sub meter off-line reconciliation

Incentives on User Suppressed Reconciliation Values

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