

TRANSCO NETWORK CODE MODIFICATION PROPOSAL No. 0543

"Withdrawal from ownership of Primary Meter point where the consumption is equal to the sum of consumption at Secondary or sub-deduct meter Points"

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Date: 18/03/2002

Proposed Implementation Date:

Urgency: Non-Urgent

Justification

There are a number of Supply points on Transco's system where the consumption is measured by differential metering or sub-deduct arrangements. Where the User has ownership of the Primary meter in such configuration, the consumption is calculated by taking the total measured volume less the metered volume of all attached sub-deduct meters. In a number of these configurations there is no actual consumption at the Prime meter itself and although the energy and transportation (Commodity) charges will reconcile to zero over time, the User will not be able to avoid Capacity and Fixed Transportation charges or Metering charges.

Under current arrangements the User with ownership of the Primary meter is unable to isolate and withdraw from such meter points as this would require isolation of all dependent meter points.

Nature of Proposal

Where it can be demonstrated that there is no gas consumed independently at a Primary meter point, the User with ownership of that meter is enabled to withdraw from that responsibility. Following this withdrawal the meter is re-designated as a 'check' meter and is no longer eligible to be configured within a supply point. If it is preferable to Transco (MO) the meter could be removed and replaced by a by-pass at the MO expense.

It is also proposed that consideration be given to the reconciliation of all Transportation and Metering charges which have accrued to this meter point as such meters should not have been classified as billing meters from the outset. This reconciliation would be effective only from the date of the Invoice Quality Review settlement, 1 February 1998.

Purpose of Proposal

To enable Users to cease the application of Transportation and Energy charges to this classification of meters where there is no actual independent consumption. Also to recover Transportation charges which have been applied to such meters since IQR settlement date.

Consequence of not making this change

Users will continue to experience transportation charges for these meters where there is no gas consumption

Area of Network Code Concerned

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