

TRANSCO NETWORK CODE MODIFICATION PROPOSAL No. 0537

"Reduction in notice period for change to Siteworks terms and procedures"

Version 1.0

Date: 18/02/2002

Proposed Implementation Date: 22/03/2002

Urgency: Non-Urgent

Justification

The Gas (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2001 were established in November 2001 following lengthy Ofgem consultation. This legislation was due to be implemented in January 2002 but has subsequently been delayed and will now be effective from 1 April 2002.

Transco intends to reflect the standards incumbent on suppliers, contained within the new legislation, in its 'Agreement and General Conditions of Contract for Miscellaneous Meter Works not exceeding 73,200 kWh'.

Given that the legislation as described above will be effective from 1 April 2002, Transco is consulting with shippers on the proposed revisions to the above agreement. It is anticipated that this process will be completed by 25 March 2002 at which point Transco will give notice as required by the Network Code.

Nature of Proposal

In accordance with G7.2.4(ii), Transco is obliged to provide three months notice of changes to contract terms contained within Siteworks Terms and Procedures. Given that the Miscellaneous Meter Works Contract falls within these provisions, transitional Modification of the Network Code is required to reduce the notice period to approximately one week.

Purpose of Proposal

The purpose of this Modification Proposal is to permit implementation of revisions to Transco's Miscellaneous Meter Works Agreement by 1 April 2002 thereby reflecting industry legislation due to be implemented on that date.

Consequence of not making this change

Transco's Siteworks Terms and Procedures will not reflect industry legislation scheduled to be implemented on 1 April 2002.

Area of Network Code Concerned

G7.2.4(ii)

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