

REVIEW GROUP - FINAL TERMS OF REFERENCE
PROPOSAL REF. 0046 - REVIEW OF VLDMC / SHIPPER RENOMINATIONS

Version 2.0

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Version 2.0 of these Terms of reference include points raised in withdrawn Modification proposal 0037 and Review proposal 0045.

Scope of Review Group

The Review Group will consider all aspects of the current rules associated with Shipper nominations and renominations under the Network Code.

Under the Network Code, VLDMC Shippers are required to renominate in accordance with Section C5 and Section C1. The rules include a requirement to renominate;

- (i) with the hour-bar principle which determines the system time for effective change of gas flow.
- (ii) with an implied Flow Rate of not less than Zero.

Concerns have been expressed by Shippers that the current procedure may not allow for avoidance of Network Code charges. There is particular concern over the potential for charges during Power station commissioning.

The review group will investigate the current regime and recommend any potential revision to the rules referenced in Section C5 of the Code.

The group will need to determine the impact of the current rules on Shipper operations using performance data to date.

Any modifications proposed by the group will need to recognise Shipper responsibilities under the Code; to nominate and renominate in a manner which is reflective of gas flows and does not impact on system security.

The review Group Chairmān will be empowered to invite non-Shipper input as appropriate.

Work to be Undertaken

The Review Group will need to consider;

NDM Renominations.

- 1 The implications of raising / lowering the 2% trigger for NDM Renominations.
- 2 The timing of NDM Renomination triggers.
- 3 Consideration of the 0-120% input requirement following an NDM output renomination.

DM/ VLDMC Renominations

- 4 Consideration of the "matching" DM renominations rules associated with the triggers, timing, size and the current requirement for exact matching.
- 5 The consequential effects of current Network Code renomination rules on VLDMC charges.
- 6 Consideration of an implied flow rate of less than zero.
- 7 The benefits of increasing the data flow to VLDMC shippers through the repeat telemetry project.
- 8 Any additional requirements during VLDMC commissioning.
- 9 The possible scheduling charge impact of the hour Bar principle when used in conjunction with system restrictions on implied flow rates following renominations.

Input

- 10 The current rules which allow for "non-matching" renominations such as for failure to upstream equipment or transportation constraints.

Operational experience to date will need to be considered by the review group in order to make appropriate recommendations.

A monthly progress report will be produced for consideration by the Modification Panel.

Timetable

It is envisaged that the Review Group will produce a final report for discussion at the November 1996 meeting of the Modification Panel.

The group will endeavour to bring forward specific Modifications as soon as development allows.