

GB Gas Transporters

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Dear Colleague

**Forecast NTS Shrinkage Factors 2016/2017**

The purpose of this document is to present the provisional NTS Shrinkage Factors forecast by month for the financial year 2016/2017. This is in accordance with the Transportation Principal Document Section N 2.2.2 of the Uniform Network Code, taking into consideration Modification 0278. These factors are presented for indicative purposes only and will not bind National Grid, the Shrinkage provider or Users.

The NTS Shrinkage Factors forecasts for 2016/2017 are produced by taking into account the three main shrinkage components:

- OUG -Own Use Gas, largely compressor fuel,
- CVS – Calorific Value Shrinkage, Unbilled Energy resulting from the harmonisation of local Calorific Values (CV) as a consequence of the flow weighted average calorific value (FWACV) process
- UAG - Unaccounted for gas.

The monthly forecast Shrinkage Factors (declared as percentage of forecast NTS throughput) for the financial year 2016/2017 is presented in Table 1.

| Year 2016/2017 Month | Shrinkage Factor (%) |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| April                | 0.30                 |
| May                  | 0.42                 |
| June                 | 0.31                 |
| July                 | 0.57                 |
| August               | 0.75                 |
| September            | 0.52                 |
| October              | 0.50                 |
| November             | 0.65                 |
| December             | 0.49                 |
| January              | 0.39                 |
| February             | 0.25                 |
| March                | 0.28                 |

**Table 1. Provisional Monthly NTS Shrinkage Factors for 2016/2017.**

Should you have any queries relating to this document, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely



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