

Provisional Timetable for the Seasonal Normal (Implementation 01/10/10)

Note: parts of gas years cannot be included in any analyses and therefore it is necessary to let a full gas year finish before fresh data can be applied:

- **Autumn/Winter 2007/08**
 - Exploratory work to better understand weather conditions that have prevailed since the last review.
 - Note that only three full gas years are available at this point in time since the last review (2004/05, 2005/06 and 2006/07).
 - A conclusive assessment cannot be undertaken at this point in time but exploratory work can be done to better inform Networks and DESC about what has happened since the last review.
 - **Q1 2008**
 - Present DESC with an updated CWV parameter computation methodology document for comment/feedback by a specified date (spring 2008). This would then be the method used in the review.
 - The methodology will set out the number of years to be used when the review is undertaken.
 - **Spring 2008**
 - NDM Analysis leading to initial proposals for 2008/09
 - **Summer 2008**
 - Finalise, confirm and implement NDM proposals for 2008/09
 - **Autumn/Winter 2008/09 (optional)**
 - Undertake trial CWV reviews on selected sub-set of LDZs (at this point in time only four additional years of data will be available – 2004/05, 2005/06, 2006/07 and 2007/08)
 - Doing this could help to flag up any potential issues ahead of the full review.
 - However, results would not be definitive since seasonal normal would still be on same basis as before but could indicate the impacts of the additional years' weather on the CWV parameters and also impacts on 1 in 20 peak CWV values.
 - **Autumn/Winter 2008/09**
 - Exploratory seasonal normal basis change work.
 - Note that at this point in time only four additional (new) years of data will be available (2004/05, 2005/06, 2006/07 and 2007/08).
 - The basis finally adopted from October 2010 will include 2008/09.
 - **Autumn/Winter 2008/09**
 - Derive new indicative seasonal normal basis (this would still be on the basis of four additional full gas years since the last review, one year short of the five full years) and present results to DESC.
 - **Q1 2009 (tentative)**
 - Provide DESC with SN basis review "preferred approach" document setting out approach preferred by Networks.
 - **Q1, Q2 & Q3 2009**
 - xserve agrees with the AQ review community what basis to use to undertake AQ review in 2010 when the effect of a seasonal normal basis change has also to be taken in to account.
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- **Spring 2009**
 - NDM Analysis leading to initial proposals for 2009/10.
- **Summer 2009**
 - Finalise, confirm and implement NDM proposals for 2009/10.
- **Autumn 2009**
 - Derive new seasonal normal basis if required / appropriate and undertake full CWV review.
 - Confirm acceptance of seasonal normal basis and CWV definition results with the industry (both SNCWV and CWV required for input to AQ review enabling work and spring 2010 NDM Analysis).
- **Q1 2010**
 - Undertake consequential demand modelling on new basis for up to 3 historical years, compute revised daily WAALP values for these past years etc.
 - This historical modelling work is required for inputs to AQ review 2010 and for the spring 2010 NDM Analysis).
- **Spring 2010**
 - Undertake NDM Analysis for 2010/11 with new CWV definitions and on new agreed Seasonal Normal basis.
- **Summer 2010**
 - Finalise, confirm and implement NDM proposals for 2010/11
- **1st October 2010**
 - Implement new CWVs and SNCWVs

Note that normal analytical work done during the course of a year will still continue: e.g. model smoothing bi-annual reviews, model smoothing sense checks, gas year algorithm performance evaluation, any ad hoc CWV review changes required by weather station closures (none expected at this point in time).
