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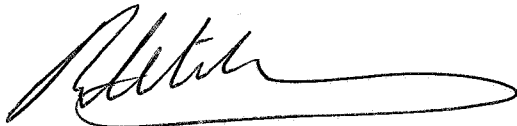
Dear Colleague

### **Forecast NTS Shrinkage Factors 2009/10**

I enclose a document entitled 'Forecast NTS Shrinkage Factors 2009/2010'. This document presents the provisional NTS Shrinkage factor forecast by month for the Gas Supply Year 2009/10 and is accordance with Section N 2.2.2 (a) of the Uniform Network Code (UNC).

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

Yours Sincerely



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## Forecast NTS Shrinkage Factors 2009/2010

The purpose for this document is to present the provisional NTS Shrinkage Factors forecast by month for the Gas Supply Year 2009/2010. This is accordance with Section N 2.2.2 (a) of the Uniform Network Code (UNC TPDN). These factors are for indicative purposes **only** and will not bind National Grid, the Shrinkage provider or Users.

NTS Shrinkage Factor forecasts for 2009/2010 are produced by taking into account the three main shrinkage components: Own Use Gas (OUG), largely compressor fuel, Unbilled Energy due to CV capping as a consequence of the Flow Weighted Average Calorific Value (FWACV) process and Unaccounted For Gas (UAG). The monthly forecast Shrinkage Factors (as a percentage of forecast NTS Throughput) for the Gas Year 2009/2010 are presented below in Table 1:

Year 2009/2010	Shrinkage Factor (%)
October	0.51
November	0.57
December	0.57
January	0.73
February	0.82
March	0.51
April	0.63
May	0.79
June	0.60
July	0.56
August	0.69
September	0.47

**Table 1. Provisional Forecast Shrinkage Factors for 2009/2010**