

Update on review of CWV and Seasonal Normal basis for 2010

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CWV Methodology Review Update

- UNC (H1.4.2) requires xoserve every 5 years after consultation with DESC "to review and where appropriate revise with effect from the start of a gas year" composite weather variable (CWV) definitions for each LDZ.
- Last such review carried out in autumn 2004 and implemented on 1st October 2005. (Some CWVs revised since then because of weather station changes).
- Objective of Review: To assess whether the current methodology is fit for purpose and if so, to explore the appropriate period of years to use in CWV derivation.
- Additional 4 years of data available (GY 2004/05, 2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08)
- Analysis carried out and provisional CWVs calculated
- Initial results positive suggesting current methodology is sound
- Detailed results due to be presented to Transporters in next few weeks



Seasonal Normal Basis Update

- UNC requirement for a periodic review in time for Gas Year 2010
- Objective of Review: Produce a SN basis which is a reasonable representation of "normal" weather for an LDZ
- Additional 4 years of data available (Gas Years 2004/05, 2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08)
- Historical Gas Years considered for analysis 1987/88 to 2007/08
- Analysis carried out and options reviewed
- MOD218 now approved also considering forecast view of weather for period
- Initial results presented to Transporters
- 'Extraordinary' DESC meeting to be scheduled in Spring to present detailed CWV and Seasonal Normal basis results

