

Representation

Draft Modification Report

0422: Creating the permission to release data to Meter Asset Provider organisations

Consultation close out date: 08 February 2013
Respond to: enquiries@gasgovernance.co.uk
Organisation: Community of Meter Asset Providers
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Date of Representation: 21 January 2013

Do you support or oppose implementation?

Support * *delete as appropriate*

Please summarise (in one paragraph) the key reason(s) for your support/opposition.

This modification will permit the release of data to Meter Asset Provider (MAP) organisations. This data will enable the MAPs to efficiently resolve queries with the respective supplier organisations and for the MAP to track its assets. This will bring benefits to both supplier and MAP organisations.

The permission for the provision of the data to MAPs is subject to certain rules that were developed and agreed at the Mod 422 Workgroup and are detailed in the modification report and where required, included in the legal text. The MAPs recognise the importance of, and fully support, these rules.

Are there any new or additional issues that you believe should be recorded in the Modification Report?

No

Relevant Objectives:

How would implementation of this modification impact the relevant objectives?

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We believe this modification will improve competition between Shippers/Suppliers as it will reduce, in some circumstances, unknown or potentially misallocated costs being incurred by Suppliers. Improved efficiency of meter provision arrangements should lead to lower overall metering costs.

Whilst not directly benefitting UNC parties, the arrangements created by this modification should improve the efficiency of the operation of the wider gas industry and thereby reducing industry costs and improving services to consumers.

Impacts and Costs:

What analysis, development and ongoing costs would you face if this modification were implemented?

None for the mod itself. Possible minor costs to modify processes in order to submit requests for the data although this would be offset by savings made through improved administration.

Implementation:

What lead-time would you wish to see prior to this modification being implemented, and why?

We believe this modification can be implemented immediately following an Ofgem decision.

Legal Text:

Are you satisfied that the legal text [and the proposed ACS (see www.gasgovernance.co.uk/proposedACS)] will deliver the intent of the modification?

Although we are not UNC parties we consider the legal text is consistent with the proposal developed at the Mod 422 Workgroup.

Is there anything further you wish to be taken into account?

Please provide any additional comments, supporting analysis, or other information that that you believe should be taken into account or you wish to emphasise.

No