



Royal Bank Holiday

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Royal Bank Holiday – Gas Year 2010/11

- Royal Bank Holiday announced for Friday 29th April 2011 – after the loading of the system interface files for the current gas year.
- In the EUC modelling process 29th April 2011 was defined as a holiday (Code 6) in the current gas year as it falls within the Easter holiday period.
- This will mean for those EUC models where holiday codes are used there will be some reduction in attributed demand from the normal Monday to Thursday level.
- As the profiles must retain their overall value (e.g ALP must add up to 365) it is not possible to amend the profile for one day without impacting surrounding days.
- Preliminary analysis suggests it would be technically feasible to amend the ALPs over the gas days in the Easter / May day holiday period (20th April to 8th May 2011).
- However, we do not recommend updating the systems for this one gas day because:
 - The models over the Easter and May day holiday period will not reflect the smoothed model outputs.
 - There is no precedent for amending the ALP values mid year and the full system implications of attempting a change are not known.
 - ALPs in Gas Year 2001/02 were not amended to take account of the extra Golden Jubilee bank holiday that occurred in June 2002.