

MODEL SMOOTHING - INVESTIGATIVE ANALYSIS

1.0 Background

The application of model smoothing was first undertaken in formulating the NDM proposals for 1999/00. Model smoothing has since been applied to the NDM proposals for all subsequent years, and most recently for 2015/16.

It was agreed with the Demand Estimation Sub-Committee (DESC) and Ofgem shortly after the first application of model smoothing that the method applied would be subject each year to the scrutiny of DESC and that the results of successive years of demand modelling (feeding into model smoothing) would be examined for evidence of trends if any, so as to inform decisions on the approach to and mode of application of model smoothing in future years.

The first such investigative analysis was undertaken in autumn 1999 and in the light of those results it was decided to retain model smoothing without change for deriving the NDM proposals for 2000/01. Further investigations of model smoothing were undertaken during each autumn thereafter (in each of the years from 2000 to 2005) and following discussion of those results at DESC on each occasion, it was decided to continue to apply model smoothing in deriving the NDM proposals for the forthcoming year.

In January 2006, DESC agreed to move to a biennial assessment of the continued applicability of model smoothing. Accordingly, the last formal assessment of model smoothing undertaken was in autumn 2013. Following discussion of those results at DESC in November 2013, it was decided to continue to apply model smoothing in deriving the NDM proposals for 2014/15 and 2015/16.

The proposals for 2015/16 having been finalised, it is now appropriate to undertake a re-assessment so that informed decisions on the continued future application of model smoothing can be taken.

This note is a full formal assessment of model smoothing along the lines undertaken two years ago.

2.0 Principles of Model Smoothing

Model smoothing was introduced because EUC models were exhibiting some year on year volatility. It was therefore anticipated that averaging more than one year's models would achieve greater stability.

A further obvious aspiration for the EUC models is that of improved accuracy. However, the two objectives of stability and accuracy are not necessarily consistent: if there is an underlying drift in customer behaviour which leads to changes in model characteristics then stability may be achieved at the expense of accuracy.

It is proposed here (as in the investigative analyses undertaken in all previous occasions) that accuracy is defined as the capability of a model (or a smoothed model) to predict the model that will be fitted to the following year's data.

In order to attempt to illuminate this aspect it is possible to perform the following test on EUC models:

Compare the models fitted to the (single year) 2014/15 consumption data with:

- the 2013/14 (single year) models
- the smoothed models based on 2011/12, 2012/13 and 2013/14 data

The test has been applied to CWV intercepts, which give a simple indication of weather sensitivity - i.e. high CWV intercept implies low weather sensitivity. For each case root mean square (RMS) values of the CWV intercept differences have been computed.



For this year's investigation of model smoothing the CWV intercepts from the analyses of the data sets for 2011/12, 2012/13 and 2013/14 along with those for 2014/15, provide the necessary information. All of these CWV intercepts relate to models derived using the revised definitions of CWVs and the revised basis for SNCWVs that were used in the spring 2015 NDM analysis and which came into effect on 1st October 2015. In general, for EUCs in LDZs where a CWV definition has changed, the CWV intercepts presented here are not directly comparable with CWV intercepts published prior to the change of CWV definition. In addition the current definitions of holiday codes (implemented in the spring 2011 analysis) were applied in deriving the models for all the years.

3.0 Analysis

3.1 Predictive Ability Analysis - Consumption Bands (Figures 1 & 2)

The bar charts attached as Figures 1 and 2 shows, for the small and large NDM consumption band EUCs only, the difference between the respective CWV intercepts on the two bases.

For the small NDM consumption band EUCs (Figure 1) the bar chart for the smoothed model for 2014/15 (based on 2011/12, 2012/13 and 2013/14 data) is slightly better, in terms of the spread of CWV intercept differences, when compared with those for the single year (2013/14) model, and this is also reflected in the respective RMS values, which are marginally better for the smoothed model.

For large NDM consumption band EUCs (Figure 2) the spread of CWV intercept differences and RMS values are better for the single year model. Note, results shown for large NDM exclude the contribution of band 09B.

So, on balance, the picture is mixed for small and large NDM consumption band EUCs, the smoothed three-year model is marginally better at predicting 2014/15 than the single year (2013/14) model for small NDM "B" EUCs and worse for large NDM "B" EUCs.

3.2 Predictive Ability Analysis - All EUCs incl. WAR bands (Figures 3 & 4)

This analysis has also been extended to include WAR band EUCs, the results from which are shown in Figures 3 and 4. The spread of CWV intercept differences, for all small NDM EUCs (Figure 3), for the single year model case and smoothed model case are quite similar, however the RMS value (indicating the spread of CWV intercept differences around zero) is lower for the smoothed model.

For all large NDM EUCs (Figure 4) the spread of CWV intercept differences for the smoothed model case is similar to the single year model case, however the relevant RMS values (excluding band 09B) are better for the smoothed model.

This analysis of "predictive ability", undertaken on the same basis as previous years, has shown overall that the smoothed model for small NDM EUCs was marginally better than the single year model. It has also shown the smoothed model for large NDM EUCs was better than the single year although this was not the case when considering consumption bands only.

The main driver for using a smoothed model is the mitigation of year of year volatility rather than predictive capability.

3.3 Year on Year Volatility Analysis (Figures 5, 6, 7 & 8)

In order to assess this a similar test has been applied to observe the year-on-year volatility of smoothed models as against individual years' models. The bar charts in Figures 5 & 7 (small NDM) and Figures 6 & 8 (large NDM) show:

- Difference in CWV intercepts between the smoothed models applicable to gas year 2014/15 (based on 2011/12, 2012/13 and 2013/14) and the smoothed models applicable to gas year 2015/16 (based on 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15).
- Difference in CWV intercepts between individual year models for 2013/14 and 2014/15 that
 would have been applied to gas years 2014/15 and 2015/16 respectively if model smoothing
 had not been implemented.



The results in Figures 5 and 6 relate to both consumption band and WAR band EUCs, while the results in Figures 7 and 8 relate to just the consumption band EUCs.

As expected, the smoothed models are associated with notably lower year-on-year volatility for both small and large NDM EUCs. This is evident in the generally narrower distribution of CWV intercept differences and the notable reductions in corresponding RMS values, visible in all 4 charts.

4.0 Model Smoothing - Average or Trend (Figure 9, Table 1, 2 & 3)

On each occasion when this investigation of model smoothing has been carried out, there has been some discussion as to whether model averaging or model extrapolation is more appropriate. Extrapolation would only be worthy of consideration if a clear trend could be detected. There has also been some discussion in previous years about whether a trend based on a limited number of years' data should be regarded as a reliable basis for extrapolation.

An analysis of CWV intercepts (all of which are on the current weather basis) is attached which attempts to shed some light on whether trends exist. This analysis is usually presented to DESC every two years (last presented to DESC in autumn 2013). However, for a complete view of CWV intercepts from one year to another, the summary results of this CWV intercept analysis undertaken on an annual basis must be included and this has been done in the results presented here.

The CWV intercept analysis has been applied to all EUCs, small and large NDM, including both consumption band and WAR band EUCs. Figure 9 shows the classification scheme that has been applied to the individual years comprising the smoothed models for gas year 2015/16 - essentially there are five possible patterns for a series of three CWV intercepts to follow:

UP/ UP (UU)

DOWN / UP (DU)

FLAT (F)

UP / DOWN (UD)

DOWN / DOWN (DD)

A code has been associated with each of the patterns, and Table 1 shows how each EUC is classified. In Table 2, the counts of each type are shown, firstly a count by EUC across the LDZs, and secondly a count by LDZ across the EUCs.

For the analysis years 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15, the overall count of the different pattern types indicates that:

- The "down/up", pattern shows 136 occurrences out of 429 (there were 68 in 2014, 115 in 2013, 74 in 2012 and 161 in 2011).
- The "up/down" pattern shows 135 occurrences (there were 194 in 2014, 117 in 2013, 150 in 2012 and 85 in 2011).
- Thus, taken together, 271 occurrences (262 in 2014, 232 in 2013, 224 in 2012 and 246 in 2011) have no increasing or decreasing pattern over the three years.
- This year also shows 38 flat or nearly flat models (similar numbers to 2014, 2013, 2012 and 2011).

The prevalence of "down/up" and "up/down" patterns (271) remains greater than half of the number of cases (429), Since there are 38 cases of flat or nearly flat models (all of which are EUCs applicable to WAR band 1) 271 of 391 remaining cases show no consistent pattern over three years. Instances with a decreasing pattern number 109 (58 in 2014, 26 in 2013, 31 in 2012 and 54 in 2011) and instances of an increasing pattern over three years amount to 11 (75 in 2014, 132 in 2013, 135 in 2012 and 90 in 2011).

There was zero instances of EUCs where there is an increasing pattern over three years in a majority of LDZs (i.e. 7 or more of 13) whereas there were 7 instances of EUCs where there is a decreasing pattern in a majority of LDZs, of which 4 were in the WAR band EUCs. There were no LDZs that showed an increasing pattern in the majority of EUCs (17 or more), however there was a notable



increase generally in the number of EUCs that displayed an downward trend across most LDZs. For the higher consumption bands and most WAR band analyses, demand modelling is done with data sets grouped across LDZs. In these circumstances instances of multiple EUCs with increasing or decreasing patterns are down to the same underlying demand model and not due to multiple models showing a trend.

To reiterate, there are some instances of specific EUCs and specific LDZs, where a "down/down" pattern or an "up/up" pattern occurs to a notable extent over the three years. However, three data points do not necessarily point to a trend and examination of a fourth year of CWV intercept data reveals that these possible instances are not sustained. For the four most recent analysis years (2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15) CWV intercepts are available on a consistent basis. These may be categorised into four groups, namely: no consistent trend, increasing values, decreasing values and flat (or nearly flat) models. Summary results are presented as Table 3.

These show that 372 out of 429 occurrences (there were 346 in 2014, 308 in 2013, 335 in 2012 and 363 in 2011) indicate no consistent trend while the numbers of consistently decreasing or consistently increasing occurrences have reduced from previous years (13 and 6 respectively this year – 14 and 35 respectively in 2014, 7 and 75 respectively in 2013, 16 and 39 respectively in 2012 and 5 and 22 respectively in 2011). Although a full model smoothing investigation was not undertaken in 2012 and 2014, these relevant counts were derived for use in this assessment.

The count of EUCs of no consistent pattern (372) is higher than all previous assessments - the lowest observed was 308 in 2013. As Table 3 shows, the results for all previous model smoothing investigations up to and including Autumn 2015 have been very similar with the vast majority of cases always that of no consistent trend.

For every LDZ over four years, the predominant effect is of no consistent pattern. In each LDZ 27 or more (of 33) EUCs show no consistent pattern over the four years. The number of EUCs with a consistent pattern (upwards or downwards) in any LDZ does not exceed 3 (of 33).

For the 7 EUCs that showed a majority of occurrences of a downward pattern in CWV intercepts over three years, the four year picture for these EUCs is one of no consistent trend. Indeed over four years only 13 EUCs of 429 showed a consistently downward pattern.

5.0 Load Factor Trends (Figure 10 to 18)

The final set of information to be considered as part of this analysis is presented in Figures 10 to 18. These show the load factors for the individual years' models of the consumption band EUCs, over the four years available on a consistent basis.

These graphs of load factors (Figures 10 to 18) show that there are zero instances of a year on year increase in load factors in any of the consumption band EUCs that is consistently expressed across all of the LDZs. The graphs do show, however, instances of a small year on year decrease in load factors for 7 of the 117 consumption bands EUCs. 5 of which relate to Small NDM EUCs - SE:E1501B, WM:E1502B, SO:E1503B, NW:E1504B, WN:E1504B and 2 which relate to Large NDM EUCs - EM:E1505B and SE:E1508B.

Overall the graphs confirm the evidence of the CWV intercept information previously presented, that the predominant effect is one of no consistent trend.

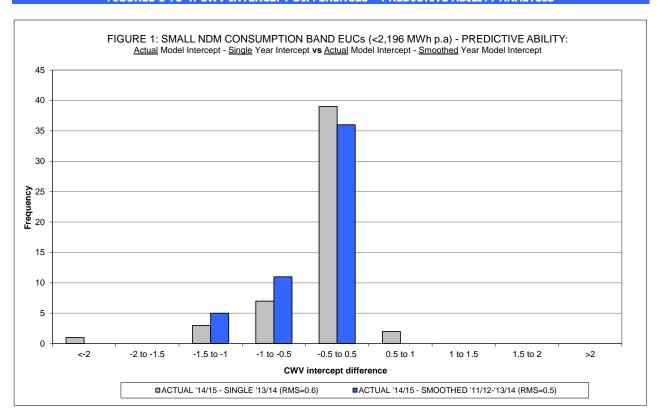
6.0 Conclusion

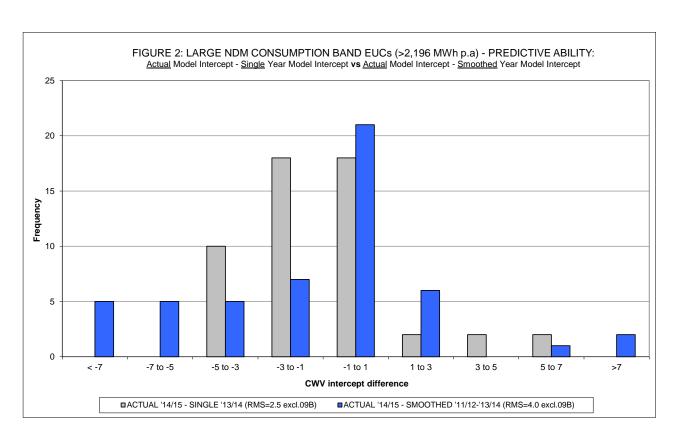
On the basis of this material, supported by the results of similar analysis undertaken in previous years and there being no signs of trends in the EUC demand models of sufficient clarity, Xoserve believe that the current averaging approach to model smoothing applied over three years continues to be appropriate and fit for purpose.

DESC and its Technical Workgroup will be consulted on this topic at a meeting on 17th November to seek their views.

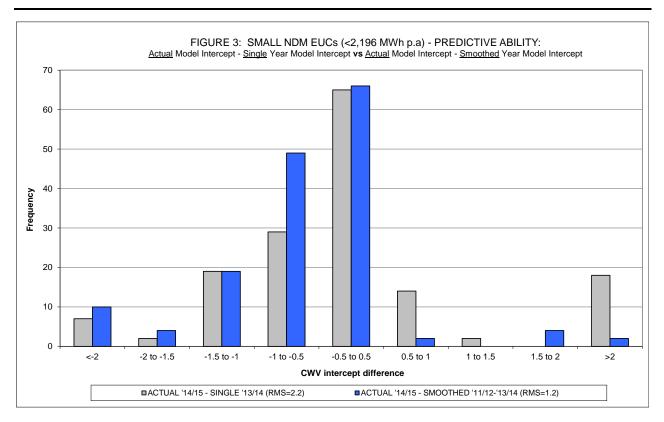


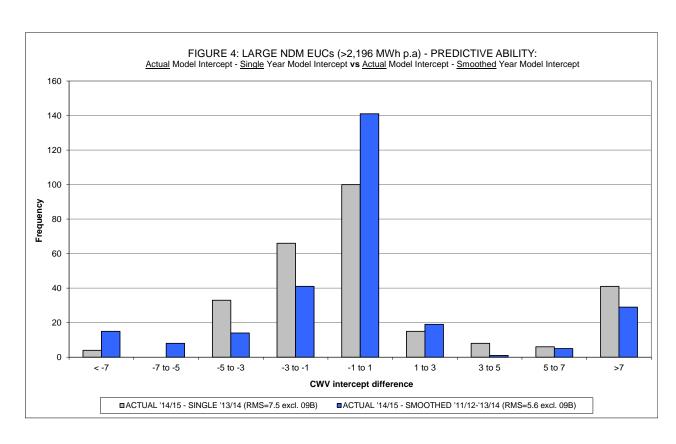
FIGURES 1 TO 4: CWV INTERCEPT DIFFERENCES - PREDICTIVE ABILITY ANALYSIS





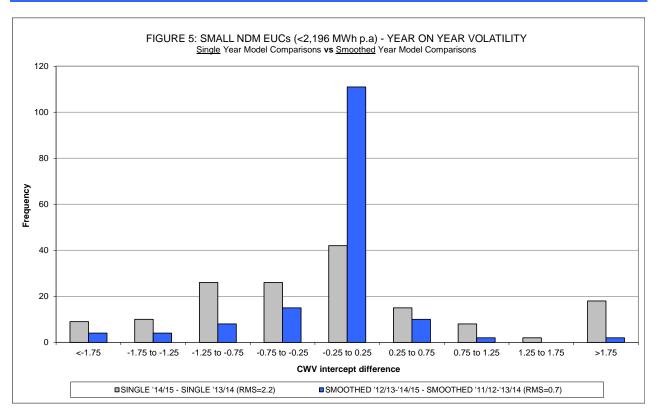


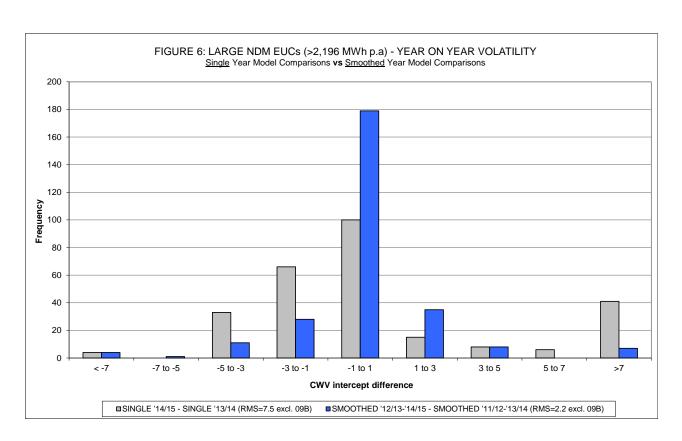




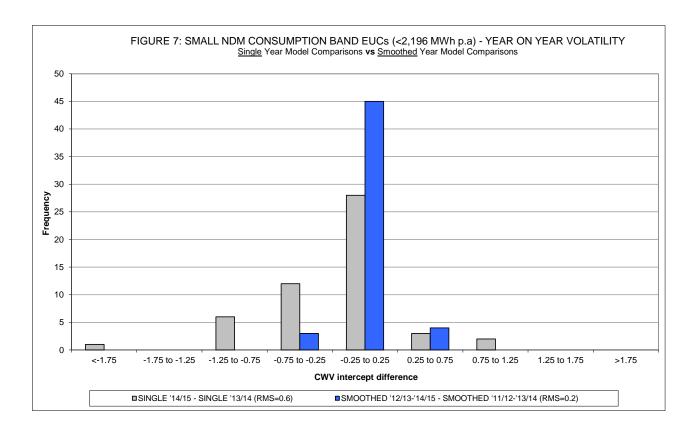


FIGURES 5 TO 8: CWV INTERCEPT DIFFERENCES - VOLATIITY ANALYSIS









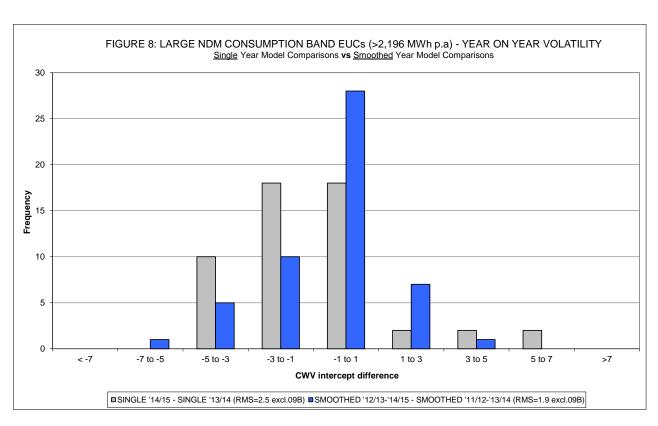
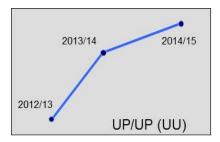
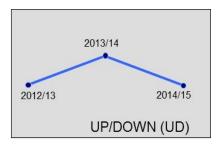


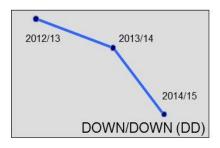


FIGURE 9: KEY FOR CWV INTERCEPT PATTERN TYPES: 3 YEARS OF NDM DEMAND MODELS









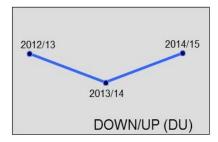




TABLE 1: CWV INTERCEPT PATTERNS NDM DEMAND MODELS FOR 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15

Consumption	Band EU	Cs											
xx=LDZ =	sc	NO	NW	NE	EM	WM	WN	ws	EA	NT	SE	so	sw
xx:E1501B	DD	DD	DD	DD	DU	DU	DD	DU	UD	UD	DD	DU	UD
xx:E1501B	DD	DU	UD	DU	DD	DD	UD	DU	UD	DD	UD	DU	DU
xx:E1502B	DD	UD	DD	DD	DD	DU	DD	UD	DD	DD	DU	UD	UD
xx:E1504B	DD	DU	DD	DU	DD	UD	DD	DU	DD	DD	DD	UD	UD
xx:E1505B	DU	DU	UD	DD	DD	DU	UD	DU	DU	UD	UD	UD	UD
xx:E1506B	DD	DD	DU	UD	DD	DD	DU	UD	DD	UD	UD	DD	UD
xx:E1507B	DD	UD	UD	UU	UD	DU	UD	UD	DU	DD	DD	DD	UD
xx:E1507B	DD	DD	DD	DU	DD	DU	DD	DD	UU	UD	DD	DD	DD
xx:E1509B	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU
First (i.e. Flatt													
xx=LDZ =	SC	NO	NW	NE	EM	WM	WN	ws	EA	NT	SE	so	SW
xx:E1503W01	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU
xx:E1503W01	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU
xx:E1504W01	DU	DU	DU	DD	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU
xx:E1506W01	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	DU	F
xx:E1507W01	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
xx:E1508W01	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F	F
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xx=LDZ =	SC	NO	NW	NE	EM	WM	WN	ws	EA	NT	SE	so	SW
	UD	UD	DU	DD	DU	DD	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU
xx:E1503W02 xx:E1504W02	UD	UD	DU	DD	DU	DD	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU
xx:E1505W02	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	UU	DU	DU	DU	UD	UU
xx:E1506W02	UU	UU	UU	DD	DD	DD	UU	UD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD
xx:E1507W02	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU
xx:E1508W02	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU	DU
Third (ie. W03) ,WAR Bands in Each Consumption Range													
xx=LDZ =	SC	NO	NW	NE	EM	WM	WN	ws	EA	NT	SE	so	sw
xx:E1503W03	UD	UD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DU	DD	DD
xx:E1504W03	UD	UD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DU	DD	DD
xx:E1505W03	UU	UD	UU	UD	UD	DD	UU	DD	DD	DD	DU	DU	DD
xx:E1506W03	DU	UD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD
xx:E1507W03	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD
xx:E1508W03	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD	DD
Fourth (ie. pea	akiest, V	V04) ,W	AR Ban	ds in Ea	ch Con	sumptio	n Rang	e					
xx=LDZ =	SC	NO	NW	NE	EM	WM	WN	ws	EA	NT	SE	so	sw
xx:E1503W04	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	DD	UD
xx:E1504W04	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	DD	UD
xx:E1505W04	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD
xx:E1506W04	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	DD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD
xx:E1507W04	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD
xx:E1508W04	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD	UD
KEY													
UU	UP UP	2012	/13 < 20	13/14 < 1	2014/15								
UD			713 < 20 2/13 < 20			15							
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UU UP UP 2012/13 < 2013/14 < 2014/15

UD UP DOWN 2012/13 < 2013/14 >= 2014/15

DU DOWN UP 2012/13 >= 2013/14 < 2014/15

DD DOWN DOWN 2012/13 > 2013/14 > 2014/15

F FLAT OR NEARLY FLAT MODELS



TABLE 2: CWV INTERCEPT PATTERNS: NDM DEMAND MODELS FOR 2012/13, 2013/14 AND 2014/15 COUNTS OF CWV INTERCEPT PATTERN TYPES BY END USER CATEGORY AND BY LDZ

EUC		Total				
Loc	UU	UD	DU	DD	F	IOlai
xx:E1501B	0	3	4	6	0	13
xx:E1502B	0	4	5	4	0	13
xx:E1503B	0	4	2	7	0	13
xx:E1503W01	0	0	13	0	0	13
xx:E1503W02	0	2	9	2	0	13
xx:E1503W03	0	2	1	10	0	13
xx:E1503W04	0	12	0	1	0	13
xx:E1504B	0	3	3	7	0	13
xx:E1504W01	0	0	13	0	0	13
xx:E1504W02	0	2	9	2	0	13
xx:E1504W03	0	2	1	10	0	13
xx:E1504W04	0	12	0	1	0	13
xx:E1505B	0	6	5	2	0	13
xx:E1505W01	0	0	12	1	0	13
xx:E1505W02	2	1	10	0	0	13
xx:E1505W03	3	3	2	5	0	13
xx:E1505W04	0	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1506B	0	5	2	6	0	13
xx:E1506W01	0	0	1	0	12	13
xx:E1506W02	4	1	0	8	0	13
xx:E1506W03	0	1	1	11	0	13
xx:E1506W04	0	12	0	1	0	13
xx:E1507B	1	6	2	4	0	13
xx:E1507W01	0	0	0	0	13	13
xx:E1507W02	0	0	13	0	0	13
xx:E1507W03	0	7	0	6	0	13
xx:E1507W04	0	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1508B	1	1	2	9	0	13
xx:E1508W01	0	0	0	0	13	13
xx:E1508W02	0	0	13	0	0	13
xx:E1508W03	0	7	0	6	0	13
xx:E1508W04	0	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1509B	0	0	13	0	0	13
Total by Type	11	135	136	109	38	429

LDZ	Туре						
	UU	UD	DU	DD	F	Total	
SC	2	12	9	7	3	33	
NO	1	16	10	3	3	33	
NW	2	11	10	7	3	33	
NE	1	10	9	10	3	33	
EM	0	10	10	10	3	33	
WM	0	8	12	10	3	33	
WN	2	11	10	7	3	33	
ws	1	10	12	7	3	33	
EA	1	8	11	10	3	33	
NT	0	10	9	11	3	33	
SE	0	9	13	8	3	33	
so	0	8	12	11	2	33	
sw	1	12	9	8	3	33	
Totals	11	135	136	109	38	429	

KEY	
UU	Increasing Trend
UD	Increasing then decreasing Trend
DU	Decreasing then increasing Trend
DD	Decreasing Trend
F	Flat model

Autumn 2015 2011/12, 2012/13 and 2013/14 Autumn 2014 **Analysis Years** 2010/11, 2011/12 and 2012/13 Autumn 2013 **Analysis Years** 2009/10, 2010/11 and 2011/12 Autumn 2012 **Analysis Years** 2008/09, 2009/10 and 2010/11 Autumn 2011 **Analysis Years** 2007/08, 2008/09 and 2009/10 Autumn 2010 **Analysis Years** 2006/07, 2007/08 and 2008/09 Autumn 2009 **Analysis Years** 2005/06, 2008/09 and 2009/10 Autumn 2008 **Analysis Years** 2004/05, 2005/06 and 2008/09 Autumn 2007 **Analysis Years** 2003/04, 2004/05 and 2005/06 Autumn 2006 **Analysis Years**



TABLE 3: CWV INTERCEPT PATTERNS: NDM DEMAND MODELS FOR 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14 AND 2014/15 COUNTS OF CWV INTERCEPT PATTERN TYPES BY END USER CATEGORY AND BY LDZ

=110	Type				
EUC	N	D	U	F	Total
xx:E1501B	12	1	0	0	13
xx:E1502B	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1503B	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1503W01	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1503W02	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1503W03	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1503W04	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1504B	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1504W01	13	0	0	0	13
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xx:E1504W03	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1504W04	13	0	0	0	13
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xx:E1506B	13	0	0	0	13
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xx:E1506W04	13	0	0	0	13
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xx:E1507W04	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1508B	9	4	0	0	13
xx:E1508W01	0	0	0	13	13
xx:E1508W02	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1508W03	7	6	0	0	13
xx:E1508W04	13	0	0	0	13
xx:E1509B	13	0	0	0	13
2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15 Analysis Years	372	13	6	38	429
2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13 and 2013/14 Analysis Years	346	14	35	34	429
2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12 and 2012/13 Analysis Years	308	7	75	39	429
2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11 and 2011/12 Analysis Years	335	16	39	39	429
2007/08, 2008/09, 2009/10 and 2010/11 Analysis Years	363	5	22	39	429
2006/07, 2007/08, 2008/09 and 2009/10 Analysis Years	364	6	20	39	429
2005/06, 2006/07, 2007/08 and 2008/09 Analysis Years	356	18	16	39	429
2004/05, 2005/06, 2006/07 and 2007/08 Analysis Years	352	25	13	39	429
2003/04, 2004/05, 2005/06 and 2006/07 Analysis Years	353	19	19	38	429
2002/03, 2003/04, 2004/05 and 2005/06 Analysis Years	355	10	29	35	429

LDZ		Total			
	N	D	U	F	Total
SC	29	0	1	3	33
NO	30	0	0	3	33
NW	29	0	1	3	33
NE	29	0	1	3	33
EM	29	1	0	3	33
WM	30	0	0	3	33
WN	29	0	1	3	33
WS	27	2	1	3	33
EA	29	1	0	3	33
NT	29	1	0	3	33
SE	27	3	0	3	33
so	28	3	0	2	33
SW	27	2	1	3	33
Totals	372	13	6	38	429

KEY	
N	No consistent trend over 4 years
D	Decreasing values over 4 years
U	Increasing values over 4 years
F	Flat or nearly flat models

Autumn 2015 Autumn 2014 Autumn 2013 Autumn 2012 Autumn 2011 Autumn 2010 Autumn 2009 Autumn 2008 Autumn 2007

Autumn 2006



FIGURES 10 to 18: LOAD FACTORS FROM INDIVIDUAL YEAR MODELS OVER 4 YEARS AVAILABLE 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14 AND 2014/15

