

UNC 0785:

Application of UNC processes to an aggregated Bacton (exit) Interconnection Point



***Guidance:** These slides are meant to provide a brief overview for the UNC Panel, to introduce what is trying to be achieved, to help them understand and decide the best process to be followed for new modifications. Please aim to be as brief as possible and not justify nor make the case for the Modification.*

Notes are provided in italics and if this template is being used should be removed.

The Joint Office is available to help and support the drafting of any modifications, including guidance on completion of the Modification template and the wider modification process. Contact: enquiries@gasgovernance.co.uk or 0121 288 2107.

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Why change?



Please use bullets to summarise what in the UNC is wrong and creating problems

- Ofgem have made a decision (15th Oct) to amend the NTS License so that:
 - **Bacton IUK** and **Bacton BBL** NTS Exit Points are removed from the License.
 - **Bacton (exit) IP** is added to the License.
- While there are existing rules within the European Interconnector Document about combined IPs, we do not believe that the current drafting satisfactorily captures this new License point.
- We therefore wish to provide clarification on how UNC processes would apply to this new combined interconnection point, to avoid any ambiguity within the UNC.

Options



Please use bullets to summarise what options have been considered to fix the identified problem. Is a UNC modification the only route?

- As the aim of the UNC Modification proposal is to bring clarity to the UNC rules then no alternative is possible.
- If no change is made to the UNC then uncertainty would remain within the UNC, regarding how UNC processes would apply to the new combined point.

Solution



Please use bullets to briefly outline the solution contained within the modification.

- UNC drafting within the European Interconnector Document shall be amended so that it is clear how processes will apply to the new combined point.
- The intent is to follow the precedent set by existing combined points (Bacton IP ASEP and Moffat). This means the solutions largely already exist, and the focus of the of the mod is on clarifying the application of those existing processes.

Recommended Steps



Please use bullets to summarise the recommended steps. Please indicate how long you think the assessment process should last and if self-governance should apply or not.

- **The Proposer recommends that this modification should be:**

(delete as appropriate)

- Not subject to self-governance because this modification proposal
 - confirms the possibility of competition between shippers flowing gas at 2 different interconnection points;
 - if not implemented would result in a mismatch between the Licence and the UNC
- Workgroup assessment to develop the modification for 2 months
 - the context for the short timeframe is that the Licence change is effective from the 15th December and we wish to either avoid or minimize any delay between the Licence and UNC change.