

31/03/2006

Dear Colleague,

**NOTICE OF IMPLEMENTATION  
MODIFICATION PROPOSAL No: 0074**

"Clarification of requirement for flows at DN Offtakes on low demand days"

Please note that Modification Proposal No 0074 will be implemented with effect from 06:00 hours on 01/04/2006. The Final Modification Report, Version 2.0, was signed by Ofgem on 31/03/2006.

The new Code text resulting from this Modification follows.

**Modified Text:**

**UNIFORM NETWORK CODE – OFFTAKE ARRANGEMENTS DOCUMENT  
SECTION I  
NTS OPERATIONAL FLOWS**

*Amend paragraph 2.5 to read as follows*

**2.5 Low demand Days**

- 2.5.1 Where, in relation to any LDZ, LDZ demand for any Day is forecast (in the first LDZ demand forecast on the Preceding Day pursuant to TPD Section H5) to be less than 50% of 1-in-20 peak day demand National Grid NTS may, by giving notice to the DNO not later than 17:00 hours on the Preceding Day, require that paragraph 2.5.2 shall apply, subject to paragraph 2.5.3.
- 2.5.2 Where this paragraph applies, irrespective of the amount (if any) of NTS Offtake (Flexibility) Capacity held by the DNO at any Offtake:
- (a) the DNO shall operate the LDZ and each Offtake such that, subject to the restrictions in paragraph 2.3 on revisions of Offtake Profile Notices, for any given level of LDZ demand, the OFQ (determined in accordance with TPD Section B6.5.5) for such Day in respect of all the Offtakes for that LDZ in aggregate is not greater than zero flows of gas at the Offtakes in aggregate for that LDZ are even throughout the Day;
  - (b) in accordance with paragraph (a):

- (i) after the DNO has submitted its initial Offtake Profile Notices, a revision of such Offtake Profile Notices under which the aggregate (for all Offtakes serving the LDZ) of the rates of offtake is revised, shall only be made to reflect changes in forecast LDZ demand; and
- (ii) subject to the requirements of paragraph 4, ~~each the~~ Offtake Profile Notice(s) for all Offtakes serving the LDZ, or revision thereof of such Offtake Profile Notice(s), submitted by the DNO shall specify a single aggregate rate of offtake:
  - (aa) in the case of the initial Offtake Profile Notice(s), for the whole of the Day; and
  - (bb) in the case of any revised Offtake Profile Notice(s), with effect from the time from which the rate of offtake is revised, for the remainder of the Day.

2.5.3 Where, in relation to any Day for which National Grid NTS gives a notice under paragraph 2.5.1, compliance with paragraph 2.5.2 would (in the reasonable opinion of the DNO) significantly prejudice security of supply or the safe operation of the LDZ:

- (a) the DNO shall so notify National Grid NTS promptly upon receipt of National Grid NTS' notice;
- (b) paragraph 2.5.2 shall not apply, but the DNO and National Grid NTS will cooperate with a view to agreeing on limits on the variation of rates of offtake within the Day, and the DNO's Offtake Profile Notices shall comply with the limits so agreed.

Yours sincerely,

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