

0540FT: Amendment to TPD Section G2.15

- 01 Modification
- 02 Workgroup Report
- 03 Draft Modification Report
- 04 Final Modification Report

This modification seeks to correct incorrect cross references within UNC TPD Section G2.15



The Panel determined that this fast track self-governance modification be implemented.










High Impact: None



Medium Impact: None



Low Impact: Transporters and Shippers

Contents		 Any questions?
1 Summary	3	Contact: Code Administrator
2 Why Change?	3	 enquiries@gasgovernance.co.uk
3 Solution	4	
4 Relevant Objectives	4	 0121 288 2107
5 Implementation	5	
6 Impacts	5	Proposer: Erika Melén
7 Legal Text	6	 Erika.melen@sgn.co.uk
8 Panel Discussions	8	
9 Recommendation	8	
About this document:		
The Panel considered this Final Modification Report on 16 July 2015.		 07772 142226
The Panel unanimously determined that this modification should be implemented.		
The Proposer recommended the following timetable:		Transporter: Scotia Gas Networks
UNC Modification Panel decision	16 July 2015	 Erika.melen@sgn.co.uk
		Systems Provider: Xoserve
		 commercial.enquiries@xoserve.com

1 Summary

Is this a Self-Governance Modification?

The Modification Panel determined that this is a self-governance modification because it is unlikely to have material effect on gas consumers; competition, the operation of pipe-line systems, safety or security of supply, the uniform network code governance procedures or the network code modification procedures.

Is this a Fast Track Self-Governance Modification?

The Modification Panel determined that this modification meets the Fast Track Self-Governance criteria as it is only proposing to correct formatting and consistency errors, such as paragraph numbering and cross referencing.

Why Change?

The legal text for Modifications 0431 and 0410A were drafted for the same portions of UNC TPD Section G, and over a similar time period, and when implemented a number of incorrect cross references within code were left in place.

Solution

Amend references in UNC TPD Section G2.15 to refer to 2.15 rather than 2.12.

Relevant Objectives

This modification will have a positive effect on relevant objective (f): promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the code.

Implementation

As fast track self-governance procedures are proposed, implementation could be sixteen business days after a unanimous vote in favour of implementation by the Modification Panel, subject to no objection being raised.

No implementation costs are expected.

Does this modification impact a Significant Code Review (SCR) or other significant industry change projects, if so, how?

There are no expected impacts on an SCR or significant industry change project as this is merely a house keeping change.

2 Why Change?

The legal text for Modifications 0431 and 0410A were drafted for the same portions of UNC TPD Section G, and over a similar time period and when implemented, a number of incorrect cross references within code were left in place, as neither set of legal text had been able to anticipate the changes that might have been implemented by the other.

3 Solution

Amend cross references in UNC TPD Section G2.15 to refer to 2.15 rather than 2.12.

User Pays	
Classification of the modification as User Pays, or not, and the justification for such classification.	No User Pays service would be created or amended by implementation of this modification and it is not, therefore, classified as a User Pays Modification.
Identification of Users of the service, the proposed split of the recovery between Gas Transporters and Users for User Pays costs and the justification for such view.	<i>Not applicable</i>
Proposed charge(s) for application of User Pays charges to Shippers.	<i>Not applicable</i>
Proposed charge for inclusion in the Agency Charging Statement (ACS) – to be completed upon receipt of a cost estimate from Xoserve.	<i>Not applicable</i>

4 Relevant Objectives

Impact of the modification on the Relevant Objectives:	
Relevant Objective	Identified impact
a) Efficient and economic operation of the pipe-line system.	None
b) Coordinated, efficient and economic operation of (i) the combined pipe-line system, and/ or (ii) the pipe-line system of one or more other relevant gas transporters.	None
c) Efficient discharge of the licensee's obligations.	None

d) Securing of effective competition: (i) between relevant shippers; (ii) between relevant suppliers; and/or (iii) between DN operators (who have entered into transportation arrangements with other relevant gas transporters) and relevant shippers.	None
e) Provision of reasonable economic incentives for relevant suppliers to secure that the domestic customer supply security standards... are satisfied as respects the availability of gas to their domestic customers.	None
f) Promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Code.	Positive
g) Compliance with the Regulation and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Energy Regulators.	None

This Modification would have a positive effect on relevant objective f): promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the code as it will correct incorrect cross references in UNC TPD Section G2.15.

5 Implementation

As fast track self-governance procedures are proposed, implementation could be sixteen business days after a unanimous vote in favour of implementation by the Modification Panel, subject to no objection being raised.

6 Impacts

Does this modification impact a Significant Code Review (SCR) or other significant industry change projects, if so, how?

There are no expected impacts on an SCR or significant industry change project as this is merely a house keeping change.

7 Legal Text

Text Commentary

The text changes references from 2.12.x to 2.15.x

Text

UNIFORM NETWORK CODE – TRANSPORTATION PRINCIPAL DOCUMENT

Amend TPD Section G (Supply Points) paragraph 2.15 as follows:

- 2.15.3 Pursuant to paragraph ~~2.12.2~~ [2.15.2](#) where the Transporter obtains information that a supplier requested the installation of the Supply Meter and the User subsequently confirms this the Transporter will notify the relevant User that no Supply Point Registration is in place at the New Supply Meter Point and:
- (a) where the User confirms that a Supply Contract is in place between the supplier and consumer or does not respond within 1 calendar month of being notified by the Transporter the relevant User will register such New Supply Meter Point in accordance with paragraph 2 or take steps to remove the Supply Meter within 1 calendar month, failing which the provisions of paragraph ~~2.12.4~~ [2.15.4](#) shall apply; or
 - (b) where the User confirms within 1 calendar month that no Supply Contract exists between the supplier and consumer the User shall ensure the supplier procures a Supply Contract with the consumer and will register such New Supply Meter Point in accordance with paragraph 2 or procure removal of the Supply Meter within 1 calendar month.
- 2.15.4 Where the User does not comply with the obligation to register such New Supply Meter Point in accordance with paragraph ~~2.12.3~~ [2.15.3](#)(a) or (b) or ~~2.12.9~~ [2.15.9](#)(a) the User shall be deemed to have granted the Transporter authority to register such New Supply Meter Point on its behalf and:
- (a) the First Supply Point Registration Date shall be deemed to be the Meter Fix Date or if this is not known the date the Transporter first became aware that a Supply Meter had been installed; and
 - (b) for the purposes of calculating the Opening Meter Reading the Transporter shall use the Meter Reading taken at the time the Transporter identifies that the Supply Meter is physically connected to a System such that gas is capable of being offtaken (without further action being taken) from the Total System.
- 2.15.5 The Registered User pursuant to ~~2.12.3~~ [2.15.3](#), ~~2.12.4~~ [2.15.4](#) or ~~2.12.9~~ [2.15.9](#)(a) shall be liable for:
- (a) all reasonable costs incurred by the relevant Transporter in accordance with the Siteworks Terms and Procedures (as defined in Section G7.2.2) where the relevant Transporter undertakes a visit for reasons including validating the presence of a Supply Meter or to carry out a disconnection in accordance with the Gas Safety (Installation and Use) Regulations 1998 and where the Supply Meter remains connected to a System such that gas is capable of being offtaken (without any further action being taken) from the Total System; and
 - (b) all reasonable costs incurred by the relevant Transporter in discharging its obligations under paragraph ~~2.12~~ [2.15](#); and
 - (c) all charges (including without limitation Transportation Charges and Energy Balancing Charges) associated with such New Supply Meter Point from the Meter Fix Date or if this

is not known the date the Transporter first became aware that the Supply Meter had been installed.

- (d) Where the Registered User is liable for any charges in accordance with (c) above:
 - (i) in respect of Energy Balancing Charges for Larger Supply Points, a reconciliation will be carried out in accordance with Section E6 and applied to the aggregate reconciliation process in accordance with Section E7.2; and
 - (ii) in respect of Energy Balancing Charges and any relevant Transportation Charges for Smaller Supply Points, the Aggregate LDZ AQ shall be adjusted in accordance with Section E7.7

2.15.6 In the event that the User does not comply with the obligation to register such New Supply Meter Point in accordance with paragraph ~~2.12.3~~ [2.15.3\(b\)](#) because it is unable to ensure its supplier procures a Supply Contract or the removal of the Supply Meter, the User shall submit a report to the Transporter detailing the circumstances in which a Supply Meter was installed without a Supply Contract being in place and any subsequent action the User has taken to try to rectify this.

2.15.7 Each Transporter will keep a record of any reports it receives under paragraph ~~2.12.6~~ [2.15.6](#) and submit a report twice yearly:

- (a) to the Authority giving details of the reports received from each User (on an attributable basis); and
- (b) to the Authority and all Users of the number of incidences where a User has not complied with paragraph ~~2.12.4~~ [2.15.1](#) (on an attributable basis).

2.15.8 Further to paragraph ~~42.2.2~~ [2.15.2](#), in the event that either:

- (a) the User confirms that the supplier did not request installation of the Supply Meter and the relevant New Supply Meter Point has not been registered by a User within 3 calendar months of the Transporter becoming aware that a Supply Meter has been installed at a New Supply Meter Point; or
- (b) the User confirms that the supplier did request installation of the Supply Meter and the User has taken steps in accordance with paragraph ~~2.12.3~~ [2.15.3\(b\)](#) to try and ensure the supplier procures a Supply Contract with the consumer but no Supply Contract is in place and the User has been unable to procure removal of the Supply Meter, then the provisions of paragraph ~~2.12.9~~ [2.15.9](#) shall apply.

2.15.9 The Transporter will within 3 calendar months advise the consumer to obtain a Supply Contract and:

- (a) if the consumer confirms that a Supply Contract is already in place and the relevant User verifies this then the relevant User shall register such New Supply Meter Point in accordance with paragraph 2 within 1 calendar month of being notified to do so by the Transporter failing which the provisions of paragraph ~~2.12.4~~ [2.15.4](#) shall apply; or
- (b) if the consumer does not enter into a Supply Contract or the Transporter is unable to ascertain whether a Supply Contract is in place then the Transporter shall seek to disconnect the supply of gas to the consumer subject to any applicable legislation, regulation or Code of Practice.

8 Panel Discussions

The Panel Chair summarised that Modification 0540FT is a house keeping modification that would change currently inaccurate references in UNC TPD Section G2.15 to refer to the correct paragraphs; references will be amended to refer to 2.15, rather than to 2.12.

Members considered relevant objective f), agreeing that implementation would have a positive impact as it would correct referencing errors which had been introduced inadvertently into Code.

Members voted unanimously to implement this self-governance Modification 0540FT.

9 Recommendation

Panel Recommendation

Having considered the Modification Report, the Panel determined that:

- that proposed fast track self-governance Modification 0540FT should be made.