

Workgroup Terms of Reference

0564R – Review of Annual Read Meter Reading requirements

Date referred from Panel: 19 November 2015

Background – Why Change?

Please refer to: <http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0564>

Solution

It is suggested that the provisions of UNC TPD Section M5.9 and M5.10 (Modification 0432 drafting) in the context of Annual Read Meters have not been subject to review for many years. In the light of the forthcoming Performance Assurance Framework and increasing industry scrutiny of the accuracy of key gas settlement data being the Annual Quantity (AQ), the proposed cessation of the 'must inspect' conditions contained within the Supplier Licence and the findings of the Competition and Markets Authority (CMA) investigation into the energy market, it is timely that the relevant terms of the UNC are reviewed. This is with respect to the 'cyclic' Annual Meter Reading and 'must read' provisions pertaining to Annual Read Meters.

Topics for Discussion

- Understanding the objective and scope of the review;
- Assessment of alternative means to achieve objective;
- Understanding any Impacts on the Switching SCR;
- Assessment of potential impacts of any associated modification(s) included with the report;
- Assessment of implementation costs associated with changes to metering submission performance and must reads;
- Assessment of legal text (if any);
- What is the current situation for the provision of meter reads and the materiality in terms of energy;
- Should there be different regimes for dumb and advanced/smart metering products in terms of performance and timely submission of meter reads.

Outputs

Produce a Request Workgroup Report for submission to the Modification Panel, containing the recommendations of the Workgroup and an assessment of any attached modification(s).

Composition of Workgroup

The Workgroup is open to any party that wishes to attend or participate.

A Workgroup meeting will be quorate provided at least two Transporter and two User representatives are present.

Meeting Arrangements

Meetings will be administered by the Joint Office and conducted in accordance with the Code Administration Code of Practice