



**0763R Review of Gas Meter By-Pass
Arrangements**

CDSP Actions

DWG Actions

0502 – Xoserve (DA/ER) to complete an assessment against the history of the by-pass and look to see if there has been a consumption adjustment.

- As per UNC M 2.4.4(b);
a Consumption Adjustment shall be made, for the purposes of which, within 15 Supply Point Systems Business Days following the Day on which cessation occurred, the Registered User shall notify the CDSP of its estimate of gas used in accordance with paragraph 2.4.5 or 2.4.6 where such estimate is 10,000 kWh (340 therms) or greater.
- The CA is only required when the By-Pass is 'closed' and the energy following a period of it being 'open' is 10,000kWh greater.
- As there is no requirement for a Shipper to submit a CA if it was under 10,000kwh, the CDSP cannot know if a CA has failed to be submitted or is simply not required.
 - Since November 2020, the CDSP have been manually monitoring all instances of Meters being updated from 'open' to 'closed' status and liaising with Shippers to confirm if a CA is required or not.

DWG Actions

- The following table shows the status as of 22nd June 2021:

Number of Consumption Adjustment (CA) Requests Issued	59	No Response	16						
		Response Received	43	CA not Required	41	ByPass Flag still present	29		
						ByPass Flag Removed	12		
				CA Required	2	CA not yet Rec'd	0		
						CA Received	2	CA not yet Invoiced	1
			CA Invoiced	1					

DWG Actions

0501 - Xoserve (DA/ER) to provide information to satisfy if installation of Meter By-Pass is being notified to CDSP in a timely manner. (What RGMA transactions received within a period of time and how timely were they).

- RGMA transactions (UPD) should be sent to notify the CDSP of a change in the Meter By-Pass status.
- There have been approximately 350 Meter By-Pass statuses changes which became effective post-Nexus.
- We are looking to pull information on the timeliness of these transactions but they follow separate internal processing which makes them more difficult to report on. Based on this, it will take us slightly longer to provide examples to indicate timeliness.
- Based on previous analysis on Meter By-passes, it could be suggested that the transactions are not timely (please see the next slide).

DWG Actions

- In February 2021, there were 119 sites with an 'open' By-Pass status, 107 of these sites had evidence of consumption (incrementing Meter Reads within UK Link).
 - This could suggest that the Meter By-Pass status for the 107 sites should have been updated to 'closed' via the UPD file however, this activity had not occurred.
- From the same period, February 2021, of the 119 sites that had an 'open' Meter By-Pass status, the earliest effective year was 1960 and the bulk of the effective years were the early 1990s.
 - With effective dates so far in the past, it could again suggest that the RGMA updates are not being sent to update the CDSP and UK Link regarding Meter By-Passes.

General Observations

- As of 21st June 2021 there were 12,758 Meter By-Passes recorded on UK Link
 - 12,688 – closed status
 - 70 – open status

There has been a big push from the CDSP to contact Shippers with Meter By-Passes to understand if they are still valid and to encourage the appropriate updates are made where required. This has resulted in the reduction of sites with open Meter By-pass statuses.

- For the sites with an 'open' status, the effective date of the By-Pass status in some cases dates back to 1960.

General Observations

- For sites with both 'open' and closed' status, the premise types are not always in line with the types of premises which should be considered for a By-Pass (as stated within an ENA document). We understand these include:
 - Hospitals or hospice
 - Institutionalised accommodation (e.g. homes for the elderly, schools, and prisons)
 - Large or complex plant supporting continuous processes (e.g. agricultural, baking processes)
 - And at meter installations connected to:
 - Exceptionally complex pipework and gas consuming plant
 - Multi-occupied premises (e.g. a single meter installation serving a block of flats)