

Exec Summary | 0870: Amendments to Wobbe Index & Calorific Value Lower Limits at NTS System Entry Points

Agenda Item	Key Message
<p>Purpose of modification</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enable implementation of recent change in Gas Safety (Management) (Amendment) Regulations (GSMAR) 2023 by allowing the modification of Network Entry Agreements to permit wider specification gas to enter the NTS • Enable Delivery Facility Operators to amend connection agreements with operators resulting from implementation of this GSMAR change. • To realise the identified benefits of this change in legislation.
<p>Impacted parties</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High: NTS Terminal Operators, National Gas, CCGT operators, NTS shippers • Low: Distribution Network Operators
<p>How does this modification achieve its purpose and the relevant objectives?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This modification will facilitate greater gas delivery capability and greater supply diversity allowing increased eligibility of supplies entering the NTS through the existing network infrastructure thus improving competition in the GB gas market, than would otherwise be the case. • It would also reduce reliance of low Wobbe gas on richer blend sources and is therefore beneficial for the following relevant objectives: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Efficient and economic operation of the pipe-line system • Securing of effective competition
<p>Consumer benefit</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Positive impacts are expected in the following areas: improved safety and reliability, reduced environmental damage in respect of reduced greenhouse gas emissions due to a reduction in requirements for gas processing prior to NTS entry and benefits for society as a whole.
<p>Governance</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This Modification has been submitted seeking Authority Decision as the modification could have a material effect on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing or future industrial and commercial gas consumers • Commercial activities related to, the shipping, transportation or supply of gas
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