

UNC 0761:

Arrangements for Interconnectors with additional Storage capability



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Why change?



- National Grid has been informed by an Interconnector Operator that it intends to offer a short term storage service in addition to its existing transportation service
- This would enable GB shippers to offtake gas from the NTS, store it in its pipeline and subsequently deliver back to the NTS
- UNC sets out commercial arrangements for **Interconnection Points** and **Storage Connection Points** but does not contemplate these applying in respect of a single physical point

Options



- Aspects of the Transportation Charging Arrangements differ for Interconnection Points and Storage Connection Points
- Revised UNC arrangements required to enable application of the correct Transportation Charges for Interconnectors able to offer an additional storage service
 - Transmission Services Capacity Charge discount for Storage
 - Exemption from General Non-Transmission Services Charge for Storage flows

Solution



UNC modified to set out:

- the point definition
- ex-post determination of daily quantities of National Grid capacity and flow (associated with the storage service)
- any additional rules applicable for capacity
- nominations and scheduling charge arrangements
- allocations arrangements
- the applicable Transportation Charging arrangements

Recommended Steps



- The Proposer recommends that this modification should be:
 - Not subject to self-governance because it is likely to have a material effect on commercial activities relating to the shipping, transportation and supply of gas as it will establish a framework for a new 'dual purpose' point on the NTS and enable the appropriate Transportation Charges to be levied
 - Workgroup assessment to develop the modification for six months