

TRANSCO NETWORK CODE MODIFICATION PROPOSAL No. 0397

SHORT TITLE: Waiver of two month notice period for Pricing Consultation 53 : NTS Entry Capacity Auction Revenue Re-balancing.

DATE: 26 April 2000 **PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION DATE:** 28 April 2000

URGENCY: Urgent

JUSTIFICATION OF URGENT STATUS:

Pricing Consultation 53 proposed a number of options for the adjustment of transportation charges to compensate for the higher than anticipated revenues arising from the last round of entry capacity auctions. A possible outcome of Pricing Consultation 53 is that transportation charges may be amended from 1 May 2000.

This proposal therefore requires Urgent status to ensure that this timetable is achievable.

NATURE OF PROPOSAL:

During industry discussions regarding Pricing Consultation 53 it has been suggested that it may be appropriate to adjust transportation charges from 1 May 2000.

In view of this, the Network Code requirement for two months notice of change, as detailed in Section B 1.8.2, will not be achievable. It is therefore proposed that the Transitional Document should allow for this requirement to be waived in respect of any outcome of Pricing Consultation 53.

PURPOSE OF PROPOSAL:

The purpose of the proposal is to allow for the possible implementation of revised transportation charges, as contemplated by Pricing Consultation 53, to be implemented with effect from 1 May 2000.

CONSEQUENCE OF NOT MAKING THIS CHANGE:

Transco will not be able to amend transportation charges from 1 May 2000 in accordance with any decision reached in Pricing Consultation 53.

AREA OF NETWORK CODE CONCERNED:

Transitional Document, Part II, Paragraph 8,

Delete paragraph 8.1.1, B1.8 and replace with :

“8.1.1 B1.8 In respect of Pricing Consultation 53 the requirement in Section B1.8.2 that the notice to be given by Transco pursuant to the Transco Licence in relation thereto be given not less than 2 months prior to the proposed date of implementation shall not apply and Transco shall instead give such notice as far in advance of the date on which the proposals contained therein are to be implemented as is reasonably practicable.”

IDENTITY OF PROPOSER'S REPRESENTATIVE:

Mark Ripley

PROPOSER (please print):

SIGNATURE:

POSITION:

COMPANY: Transco

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