

URGENT MODIFICATION PROPOSAL**SHORT TITLE:** Amendment to Date for Booking System Entry Capacity**DATE:** 24 September 1996**PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION DATE:** 26 September 1996**MODIFICATION TYPE:** Urgent

JUSTIFICATION: The procedure for booking system entry capacity and the messages appearing on AT Link are confusing and seem to indicate that capacity has been successfully booked when this is not in fact the case. The system gives the message 'Capacity request record has been added' which gives the impression that capacity has been successfully booked, whereas a further confirmatory step is required by the shipper. There is no message to this effect on the AT Link screen. As a result a number of shippers have failed to book capacity for 1st October and 2nd October before the deadlines set out in the Network Code. The Network Code did not anticipate or intend that shippers should suffer large overrun charges in such circumstances. This proposed modification extends the last date by which capacity can be booked (for 1st October 1996 and 2nd October 1996 only) to 1 Business Day before such dates.

CONSEQUENCES OF NOT MAKING THIS CHANGE: Shippers who have attempted to make bona fide capacity bookings will be exposed to substantial entry overrun charges as a result of confusing messages on AT Link.

AREA OF NETWORK CODE CONCERNED: Transition Document

NATURE OF PROPOSAL: The requirement that an application for System Entry Capacity be submitted no later than 7 Business Days before the proposed date of registration will be amended, where the proposed date of registration is 1st October 1996 or 2nd October 1996, to 1 Business Day. Approved bookings taking effect on 7th October 1996 or later may be withdrawn by the shipper by the end of Friday 27th September 1996.

PROPOSED TEXT: To follow

IDENTITY OF PROPOSER REPRESENTATIVE:

PROPOSER: C M Head

SIGNATURE: *CM Head.*

POSITION: Development Manager, Transportation

COMPANY: Quadrant Gas

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