# CDSP – Services and Functions

# New Standard Special Condition A15A

## Condition 4 of new Standard Special Condition A15A (*Central Data Service Provider*) (**SSC A15A**) requires the gas transporters to appoint the CDSP to provide "central data service provider services and systems". The condition does not go on to describe the services and systems in any further detail.

## SSC A15A condition 6(b) requires that the UNC contains a classification of "CDSP services".

## To enable a classification of CDSP services it is first necessary to identify the services to be classified.

## In developing the drafting, the approach has been as follows:

#### first, to define what we mean by "CDSP Services" for the purposes of the UNC;

#### second, to classify the CDSP Services by reference to the legal basis on which the CDSP performs the CDSP Service, i.e. on its own account, or on behalf of one or more gas transporters; and

#### third, to identify the different components of the different classes of CDSP Services, i.e. performance of functions assigned to the CDSP under the UNC or the IGT Code, performance of services not prescribed by UNC or the IGT Code and services which are provided on request.

## The performance of different 'functions' therefore comprise a component of the different classes of CDSP Services.

# GT Section D

## Pursuant to GT Section D1.3.1, for the purposes of the UNC, "**CDSP Services**" are therefore defined as comprising:

#### "**core services**", performing functions assigned to the CDSP or facilitating performance of obligations on behalf of Core Customers under the UNC, the IGT Code or a gas transporter's licence; and

#### any service which the CDSP can provide efficiently and economically by using resources and/or data used by the CDSP to provide core services.

## Pursuant to GT Section D1.3.6, CDSP Services are divided into:

#### **Direct Services**, being services which the CDSP provides on its own account; and

#### **Agency Services**, being services which comprise the performance of functions on behalf of one or more of the gas transporters.

## GT Section D2.1.1 states that **Direct Services** comprise:

#### the performance of functions (other than Non-Service Functions) assigned to the CDSP in the UNC or IGT Code (**Direct Functions**);

#### services provided under the DSC to Core Customers which are not prescribed by the UNC or IGT Code; and

#### services provided to persons who are not Core Customers, or to Core Customers on terms other than those of the DSC (**Third Party Services**).

## GT Section D2.2.1 states that **Agency Services** comprise:

## (a) the performance of certain functions of the Transporters and Independent Gas Transporters under the UNC and the IGT Code (**Agency Functions**);

## (b) the performance of certain functions of the Transporters and Independent Gas Transporters pursuant to conditions of their respective Gas Transporter's Licences; and

## (c) the performance of certain functions of the Transporters and/or Independent Gas Transporters in connection with other gas industry codes or agreements.

## In the relevant sections of the UNC, we have added a new paragraph to identify the different Direct Functions and Agency Functions assigned to the CDSP.

# CSDP Service Description

## GT Section D3.2 states that the CDSP Service Description will set out a specification of each individual CDSP Service (other than Third Party Services and Additional Customer Services) based on the classification of Direct Services and Agency Services.

## The CDSP Service Description (amongst other things) identifies different categories of "**Services**" (defined in the DSC Terms and Conditions as meaning "CDSP Services"). These categories are:

(a) **General Services**;

(b) **Specific Services**;

(c) **Additional Services**; and

(d) **Third Party Services**.

## General Services and Specific Services comprise either Direct Services or Agency Services; an Additional Service can only be a Direct Service.