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Dear Colleague

The second draft 2012 AUGS for 2013/14 is now published for consultation. Following the publication of the interim report in September the AUGE has made significant progress on the analysis of meter read and metered volume data as a basis for estimating total Unidentified Gas. In addition, further analysis has been carried out regarding the allocation of theft to the appropriate market sector. Elements of Unidentified Gas associated with meter registration issues etc., are based on the previous year's methodology and referenced as appropriate in this draft.

The 2nd draft AUGS provides a comprehensive description of the analyses carried out in 2012, assessment of results and conclusions. The resulting methodology is then defined with a worked example and we have included a total estimate of Unidentified Gas by LDZ for the 10 LDZs that we have processed so far. We are pleased to report that the data for the remaining 3 LDZs was received on 14th December and will be processed over the coming week. The statement notes that the data has arrived but has not been processed at the point of publication. Updated Shipperless/Unregistered site data is pending a review so a final LSP/SSP Unidentified Gas split is not available at this time but information from the previous year's statement can be used to obtain an initial estimate.

Given the sheer scale of the data sets now being used the analyses have been carried out using data held in an Oracle database and this is also documented in the AUGS. The database will be made available to Code Parties as required to examine the process and results if you so wish. Details on how to obtain the database will follow over the coming week.

Unfortunately, we were unable to publish the AUGS on 7th December as explained in letter to the UNCC on 11th December and this will undoubtedly have an impact on the consultation process and provision of a final AUG table in time for Shippers to account for this in their customer contracts for formula year 2013/14. We will be meeting with the UNCC on 20th December to agree the way forward, but this will not include a presentation of the AUGS. It is our intention to hold a separate industry meeting to present the 2nd draft AUGS as we have with previous publications sometime in the New Year and further information will be communicated after the UNCC meeting on 20th December regarding this and the dates of the consultation period.

In the meantime any initial queries arising can be sent to the AUGE mailbox, AUGE@gl-group.com.

Yours sincerely

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