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Extending the DM Voluntary service to Project Nexus Go Live Date plus six months

At what stage is this document in the process?

- 01 Modification
- 02 Workgroup Report
- 03 Draft Modification Report
- 04 Final Modification Report

This Modification seeks to allow Daily Metered (DM) Supply Meter Points that do not meet the DM Mandatory criteria to migrate as Class 1 Supply Meter Points at Project Nexus Go Live Date. This transitional arrangement will end at the earlier of either: an event that assesses the Supply Point Classification Class 1 criteria; or, 6 months from Project Nexus Go Live Date.



The Proposer recommends that this modification should be:

- assessed by a Workgroup



High Impact:
None identified



Medium Impact:
Gas Transporters; Shippers



Low Impact:
None identified

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About this document:

This modification will be presented by the proposer to the panel on 18th September 2014.

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1 Summary

Is this a Self-Governance Modification?

It is not anticipated that this Modification will be subject to Self-Governance. The proposal may have a material impact on existing gas consumers.

Is this a Fast Track Self-Governance Modification?

It is not anticipated that the Modification will be subject to Fast Track Self Governance.

Why Change?

Currently the Daily Metered Voluntary (DMV) service ends on 1st October 2015, as defined by UNC Modification 0441. The industry has expressed a concern that this single migration event will impact the service provided to the consumer.

Solution

This Modification proposes that the DMV service is extended to Project Nexus Go Live Date plus six months (the Transition Period) and that these Supply Points (that would not ordinarily meet the Class 1 criteria) are migrated to Class 1 as part of UKLP implementation data migration.

Relevant Objectives

It is expected that this Modification would further Relevant Objective (f). In order to assist Users and Transporters migration to new systems whilst reducing potential impacts to Consumers by effectively extending the DM Voluntary service for a fixed Transition Period.

Implementation

The implementation of the UNC modification should be defined as the Project Nexus Go Live Date (UNC Transition TDII 13.1.1(b)).

Does this modification affect the Nexus delivery, if so, how?

This Modification sets out a Transition rule for UKLP. A decision on the Modification is required to define one of the data migration criteria.

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2 Why Change?

Currently the Daily Metered Voluntary (DMV) service ends on 1st October 2015, as defined by UNC Modification 0441. This date was selected as it is the planned implementation of the UK Link Programme (incorporating the industry Nexus requirements defined in the “Nexus Modifications” 0432, 0434 and 0440).

The implementation of the Nexus Modifications results in the end of the DMV service. At the Nexus Modification implementation date (defined as the Project Nexus Go Live Date (UNC Transition TDII 13.1.1(b)) the supply points classified as DMV need to be migrated to the appropriate supply point class. The industry has expressed a concern that this single migration event will impact the service provided to the consumer and will create a peak workload of site visits and reconciliations as the physical works are undertaken to remove (or cease) the DM reading service provided by the Gas Transporters.

To mitigate this issue, the Gas Transporters have agreed to effectively continue to provide the DMV service for six months after the Project Nexus Go Live Date. This Modification seeks to allow those meter points that at Project Nexus Go Live Date are DM and that do not meet the Class 1 Supply Point Classification criteria to remain as Class 1 for a period beyond Project Nexus Go Live Date

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3 Solution

This Modification proposes that the DMV service is extended to Project Nexus Go Live Date plus six months (the Transition Period) and that these Supply Points (that would not ordinarily meet the Class 1 criteria) are migrated to Class 1 as part of UKLP implementation data migration.

This transition is for a maximum of 6 months from the Project Nexus Go Live Date.

The Registered User may, at anytime within this six month period, provide a transaction (either a Supply Point Reconfirmation or Supply Point Amendment) to transfer a DMV supply point to another Class.

Any Supply Point Nomination and/or Supply Point Confirmations submitted by Users post Project Nexus Go Live Date must adhere to the relevant supply point classification criteria.

The User shall be responsible for amending the Classification by the end of Transition Period.

Where a Supply Meter Point does not meet the Class 1 criteria by the end of the Transition Period the Transporter shall reclassify this on the User's behalf.

Once a Supply Meter Point that was subject to this Transition Period has been amended to an alternative supply point classification any attempt to reclassify the Supply Meter Point shall be assessed against the relevant criteria. i.e. Any Supply Meter Points that do not meet the Class 1 Criteria will not be allowed to return to the Class 1 Supply Point Classification regardless of whether the Transition period has elapsed or not.

User Pays

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Classification of the modification as User Pays, or not, and the justification for such classification.
No User Pays service would be created or amended by implementation of this modification and it is not, therefore, classified as a User Pays Modification.
Identification of Users of the service, the proposed split of the recovery between Gas Transporters and Users for User Pays costs and the justification for such view.
n/a.
Proposed charge(s) for application of User Pays charges to Shippers.
n/a.
Proposed charge for inclusion in the Agency Charging Statement (ACS) – to be completed upon receipt of a cost estimate from Xoserve.
n/a.

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4 Relevant Objectives

Impact of the modification on the Relevant Objectives:	
Relevant Objective	Identified impact
a) Efficient and economic operation of the pipe-line system.	None
b) Coordinated, efficient and economic operation of (i) the combined pipe-line system, and/ or (ii) the pipe-line system of one or more other relevant gas transporters.	None
c) Efficient discharge of the licensee's obligations.	None
d) Securing of effective competition: (i) between relevant shippers; (ii) between relevant suppliers; and/or (iii) between DN operators (who have entered into transportation arrangements with other relevant gas transporters) and relevant shippers.	None
e) Provision of reasonable economic incentives for relevant suppliers to secure that the domestic customer supply security standards... are satisfied as respects the availability of gas to their domestic customers.	None
f) Promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Code.	Positive
g) Compliance with the Regulation and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Energy Regulators.	None

Relevant Objectives

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5 Implementation

This Modification should be implemented at Project Nexus Go Live Date.

6 Legal Text

While the Proposer is welcome to put forward suggested legal text, text will be provided by the Transporters when requested by the Modification Panel.

If this is a proposed Fast Track Self-Governance modification then legal drafting must be provided.

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7 Recommendation

If it is recommended that the modification is issued to directly to consultation, the Proposer should provide a justification. If workgroup assessment is recommended, the Proposer may outline a recommended timetable and indicate any particular areas that a workgroup is asked to consider.

The Proposer invites the Panel to:

- Determine that this modification should not be subject to self-governance; and
- Progress to Workgroup assessment/Consultation.

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