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1 UNIDENTIFIED GAS ESTIMATES

This document provides a set of tables containing the interim estimates of permanent Unidentified Gas (UG) calculated using the methods and data described in the 2014 Allocation of Unidentified Gas Statement for 2015/16 [1]. These values have been calculated using the methodology as approved by the UNCC on 2nd September 2014.

The estimates are also provided by LDZ in Appendix A, with each set of LDZ figures split into SSP and LSP market sectors, and also by each category of UG. The Scottish Independents are also included within the figures for SC LDZ, although their contribution to the overall UG figure has been negligible up to this point. These tables will therefore give a full breakdown of UG by source in each LDZ.

An example (unpopulated) table is shown below. The top section shows the breakdown of UG by category, with different columns for the SSP and LSP market sectors. The individual components of the Shipperless (Shipperless PTS, Shipperless SSrP and Without Shipper<12 months) and Unregistered (Shipper Activity, Orphaned, Unregistered < 12 months) categories are shown in grey, with the total for the category in black. The total of the directly measured components is shown, to which the Balancing Factor (i.e. Theft plus Other) is added to give the overall LDZ UG totals for the SSP and LSP sectors, which are shown in bold. All units are GWh. All values represent the permanent component of UG only.

Table 1 Unidentified Gas Summary (GWh) – Example Table

	XX LDZ				
	SSP	NDM LSP	DM LSP		
iGT CSEPs	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Shipperless/Unregistered	0.00	0.00	0.00		
- Shipper Activity	0.00	0.00	0.00		
- Orphaned	0.00	0.00	0.00		
- Unregistered <12 Months	0.00	0.00	0.00		
- Shipperless PTS	0.00	0.00	0.00		
- Shipperless SSrP	0.00	0.00	0.00		
- Without Shipper <12 Months	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Meter Errors	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Total Directly Measured	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Theft + Other	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Total	0.00	0.00	0.00		

1.1 Estimation of SAP price

The estimation of SAP price has been based on the methods used for previous AUGS years. Historical SAP price data has been taken from the National Grid industry website from November 2008 to August 31st 2014 and will be updated later in the year when the final figures and rates are calculated.

The 2015/16 SAP price is only used to provide a common basis for estimating the overall cost of UG in the coming gas year. In practice the SAP price actually used will be the daily average SAP price over the reconciliation billing period in question. This is described in the TPD section E 10.5 [3].

The following SAP price estimates have been calculated:

- 1) Annual average year on year SAP price based from 2011 onwards extrapolated to 2015/16 (2.50p/kWh)
- 2) Monthly trend based on data from April 2011 onwards (1.96p/kWh)
- 3) Daily trend based on data from April 2011 onwards (1.96p/kWh)

The average of these methods gave an estimated SAP rate of 2.14p/kWh for the period April 2015-March 2016. In previous years the SAP price has actually turned out slightly lower than these projections (typically $\sim 5\%$ less) although there has been a general upward trend. Applying a correction for this historical bias gives a SAP rate of 2.03p/kWh for 2015/16.

DECC publish projected fuel prices across a range of commodities. The most recent DECC projections gave a figure of 2.38p/kWh [2] published in July 2013. However, there does not appear to be an update in 2014 for future prices. The AUGE notes that the SAP price has been somewhat lower (average of 1.46p/kWh April-August) than the DECC projections for 2014 and the AUGE estimate from 2013.

The AUGE has therefore looked at other sources of information to sense check the SAP price projections calculated using the historical SAP data. Argus publishes a Daily Natural Gas Market Prices report which includes NBP Market prices forward to 2019. From issue 148 (1st August 2014), average NBP asking price for gas year 2015-2016 is approximately 2.0p/kWh.

Taking everything into account we recommend the SAP price to be used for the interim rates table for 2015/16 should be 2.03p/kWh.

1.2 Interim AUGS Table

The Interim AUGS table is provided below showing overall permanent UG volumes by market sector and source of UG. Due to rounding error, the sum of the individual values do not always match the total, however, the totals are correct. This applies to the gas volumes, rates shown below and the UG by LDZ summary tables in Appendix A.

Table 2 Unidentified Gas Volumes for 2015/16

Table 2 Office	Aggregate Unidentified Gas Quantity/0							
Unidentified Gas source	Quantity of Unidentified Gas/GWh	Larger DM SPCs	Larger NDM SPCs	Smaller SPCs				
iGT CSEPs	288	0	0	288				
Shipperless/Unregistered	246	5	176	65				
- Shipper Activity	0	0	0	0				
- Orphaned	16	5	9	2				
- Unregistered <12 Months	25	0	19	6				
- Shipperless PTS	11	0	8	4				
- Shipperless SSrP	187	0	136	51				
- Shipperless <12 Months	7	0	4	3				
Meter Errors	21	0	21	0				
Balancing Factor (Theft + Other)	5,505	0	1,414	4,091				
Total (inc Independents)	6,060	5	1,611	4,444				

Using a SAP price of 2.03p/kWh results in the following interim rates table. These are calculated using the UG volumes prior to rounding from the above table.

Table 3 Unidentified Gas Rates 2015/16

	Aggregate	Unidentified	EM	
Unidentified Gas source	Estimated cost of Unidentified Gas/£M	Larger DM SPCs	Larger NDM SPCs	Smaller SPCs
iGT CSEPs	5.85	0.00	0.00	5.85
Shipperless/Unregistered	4.99	0.10	3.57	1.32
- Shipper Activity	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
- Orphaned	0.32	0.10	0.18	0.04
- Unregistered <12 Months	0.51	0.00	0.39	0.12
- Shipperless PTS	0.23	0.00	0.16	0.07
- Shipperless SSrP	3.79	0.00	2.76	1.03
- Shipperless <12 Months	0.15	0.00	0.08	0.06
Meter Errors	0.43	0.00	0.43	0.00
Balancing Factor (Theft + Other)	111.74	0.00	28.69	83.05
Total (inc Independents)	123.02	0.10	32.70	90.22

Note that these rates are not the amounts that will actually be levied in practice. The SAP price will be calculated as defined in the TPD section E10.5 [3].

The AUG tables above are in the format provided in previous years by the AUGE. However, a slightly different format is specified in the Uniform Network Code [3], Section E10. Table 4 below provides the interim estimates of the permanent component of UG volumes in this alternative format.

Table 4 Unidentified Gas Volumes for 2015/16 - UNC Format

Table 4 Officentified	Aggregate	Unidentified Gas Quantity/GWh					
Unidentified Gas source	Quantity of Unidentified Gas/GWh	Larger DM SPCs (A)	Larger NDM SPCs (B)	Smaller SPCs (C)			
iGT CSEPs	288	0	0	0			
Shipperless/Unregistered	246	5	176	-181			
- Shipper Activity	0	0	0	0			
- Orphaned	16	5	9	-14			
- Unregistered <12 Months	25	0	19	-19			
- Shipperless PTS	11	0	8	-8			
- Shipperless SSrP	187	0	136	-136			
- Shipperless <12 Months	7	0	4	-4			
Meter Errors	21	0	21	-21			
Total Directly Measured	556	5	197	-202			
Balancing Factor (Theft + Other)	5,505	0	1,414	-1,414			
Total	6,060	5	1,611	-1,616			

This table contains UG adjustments to the post-RbD market sector totals rather than the value of UG assigned to each market sector. Therefore C=-(A+B).

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3 REFERENCES

- [1] 2014 Allocation of Unidentified Gas Statement for 2015/16, 16th September 2014, Report Number 15118 Rev. 3, DNV GL
- [2] DECC Fossil Fuel Price Projections, URN 13D/170, July 2013, DECC
- [3] Uniform Network Code Transportation Principal Document

GLOSSARY

AUGE Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert

AUGS Allocation of Unidentified Gas Statement

Balancing Factor An aggregate of the combined unidentified gas of various items calculated by

subtraction. This includes theft, errors in the Shrinkage estimate, open bypass valves, meters "Passing Unregistered Gas", unknown sites, and additional

Common Cause variation.

DECC Department of Energy and Climate Change

DM Daily Metered

iGT Independent Gas Transporter

LSP Larger Supply Point

LDZ Local Distribution Zone

NBP National Balancing Point

NDM Non-Daily Metered

PTS Passed To Shipper

SAP System Average Price

SPC Supply Point Component

SSP Smaller Supply Point

SSrP Shipper Specific rePort

TPD Transportation Principle Document

UG Unidentified Gas

UNC Uniform Network Code

APPENDIX A UNIDENTIFIED GAS BY LDZ

This appendix contains a breakdown of UG by LDZ.

Table 5 Unidentified Gas Summary (GWh) - EA, EM, NE, NO AND NT

	E	EA EM NE		E		0	N	IT		
	SSP	LSP	SSP	LSP	SSP	LSP	SSP	LSP	SSP	LSP
iGT CSEPs	13.69	0.00	47.67	0.00	6.51	0.00	5.33	0.00	12.11	0.00
Shipperless/Unregistered	5.26	14.84	5.58	26.53	3.45	13.10	1.67	9.77	11.59	23.24
- Shipper Activity	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
- Orphaned	0.15	0.88	0.13	1.13	0.09	0.57	0.08	1.73	0.34	1.52
- Unregistered <12 Months	0.60	2.21	0.43	1.66	0.40	1.05	0.24	0.85	0.42	4.23
- Shipperless PTS	0.38	0.47	0.30	0.23	0.17	0.60	0.14	0.44	0.59	0.83
- Shipperless SSrP	3.76	10.06	4.30	23.11	2.64	10.88	0.99	6.53	9.76	16.31
- Shipperless <12 Months	0.36	1.22	0.42	0.40	0.15	0.00	0.22	0.22	0.47	0.34
Meter Errors	0.00	1.36	0.00	2.56	0.00	1.39	0.00	1.55	0.00	2.60
Total Directly Measured	18.95	16.20	53.25	29.09	9.95	14.49	7.00	11.31	23.70	25.84
Balancing Factor (Theft +										
Other)	354.59	115.67	278.28	94.45	534.94	183.57	280.39	91.00	417.24	178.21
Total Permanent UG	373.54	131.87	331.53	123.54	544.89	198.06	287.39	102.32	440.94	204.05

Table 6 Unidentified Gas Summary (GWh) - NW, SC, SE, SO and SW

	N	W	S	С	SI		SO		SV	V
	SSP	LSP	SSP	LSP	SSP	LSP	SSP	LSP	SSP	LSP
iGT CSEPs	21.67	0.00	37.22	0.00	19.64	0.00	44.75	0.00	44.32	0.00
Shipperless/Unregistered	8.16	15.75	3.45	6.98	12.10	17.92	4.07	26.31	2.18	4.88
- Shipper Activity	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
- Orphaned	0.23	1.06	0.17	0.47	0.23	0.78	0.06	0.67	0.10	1.88
- Unregistered <12 Months	0.52	2.74	0.78	0.96	0.73	2.06	0.44	0.83	0.68	1.01
- Shipperless PTS	0.62	0.64	0.29	0.74	0.33	0.60	0.18	0.73	0.12	0.11
- Shipperless SSrP	6.26	10.33	2.04	4.73	10.47	14.34	3.25	23.90	1.28	1.88
- Shipperless <12 Months	0.53	0.98	0.17	0.08	0.34	0.14	0.15	0.18	0.01	0.00
Meter Errors	0.00	0.43	0.00	2.54	0.00	2.28	0.00	1.74	0.00	1.71
Total Directly Measured	29.83	16.19	40.66	9.52	31.73	20.20	48.82	28.05	46.50	6.59
Balancing Factor (Theft +										
Other)	564.63	184.07	287.60	109.93	140.17	36.16	400.39	139.88	245.09	82.58
Total Permanent UG	594.46	200.25	328.26	119.45	171.90	56.36	449.21	167.93	291.60	89.18

Table 7 Unidentified Gas Summary (GWh) - WM, WN and WS

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	WM		V	/N	WS			
	SSP	LSP	SSP	LSP	SSP	LSP		
iGT CSEPs	17.87	0.00	7.26	0.00	10.30	0.00		
Shipperless/Unregistered	5.29	19.02	0.56	0.22	1.60	2.49		
- Shipper Activity	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
- Orphaned	0.12	3.00	0.01	0.05	0.05	0.18		
- Unregistered <12 Months	0.34	1.35	0.01	0.00	0.13	0.28		
- Shipperless PTS	0.36	2.23	0.04	0.09	0.09	0.09		
- Shipperless SSrP	4.09	12.04	0.49	0.08	1.34	1.94		
- Shipperless <12 Months	0.38	0.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00		
Meter Errors	0.00	2.29	0.00	0.27	0.00	0.58		
Total Directly Measured	23.17	21.31	7.81	0.49	11.90	3.07		
Balancing Factor (Theft +								
Other)	228.61	84.81	65.94	26.18	293.16	87.00		
Total Permanent UG	251.78	106.12	73.75	26.67	305.07	90.07		

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