



AQ Tolerance Check

8th June 2015

Background to meeting

- Possible interim AQ tolerance levels discussed at Project Nexus UNC Workgroup on 12 May 2015
- Members asked Xoserve to use a different approach to possible tolerance
- Agreed that a smaller working group would be better to deal with this complex topic
- Additional analysis undertaken and slides updated
- Teleconference held on 5th June to review & agree PN UNC proposed tolerances
- 10 Shipper organisations were present on the teleconference



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Background to Topic

- Concerns about outcome from Rolling AQ calculation for an interim period
- New meter readings subject to AQ/SOQ based tolerances
- Start read for AQ calculation may be pre-Nexus erroneous read/consumption could inflate the AQ
- AQ goes live following month no Amendment process
- Proposal for an additional AQ tolerance check for an interim period only
- Tolerances to be applied only where start read is pre-Nexus ...



Scenarios – Updated



Scope of proposed interim tolerance check

In scope

- AQ increases following monthly system calculation
- SSP to LSP increases
- LSP to LSP increases
- Start read date is pre-UKLink Replacement golive

- Out of scope
 - AQ decreases (or unchanged) following monthly system calculation
 - AQ increases but stays within SSP
 - Start read date is post-UKLink Replacement go-live
 - AQ corrections (post-Nexus process)



Analysis undertaken

- Analysed all 2013 and 2014 AQ calculations where initial outcome was an increase:
 - LSP to LSP
 - SSP to LSP
- Within SSP excluded
- Compared initial increase to final outcome following Xoserve and Shipper investigations
- 2015 AQ Review excluded final outcomes not yet known



- A = Previous live AQ, prior to recalculation
- B = System calculation revised AQ
- C = New Gas Year AQ, following Xoserve and Shipper investigations



WITHIN LSP INCREASES – UPDATED RESULTS



Discussion at May PN UNC

- Initial Xoserve analysis presented
- Suggested a single tolerance for all LSP AQ calculations
- Shipper request to mirror the latest proposed meter read tolerances
- Proposed meter read tolerances tested against 2013 and 2014 LSP AQ calculations
- E.g. 73,201 to 732,000 AQ Outer read tolerance of 550% of AQ/365 – tested an AQ tolerance of 550% increase



LSP to LSP – Updated AQ Tolerance levels (based on Outer Read Tolerances)

Lower AQ Band (kWh)	Upper AQ Band (kWh)	Proposed AQ Tolerance - % increase in AQ	Maximum Allowable New AQ kWh	Worst case false acceptances per 1000	Worst case number of rejections per 1000
73,201	732,000	550%	4,758,000	8	17
732,001	2,196,000	500%	13,176,000	8	16
2,196,001	29,300,000	450%	161,150,000	9	22
29,300,001	58,600,000	400%	293,000,000	9	37
58,600,001	and above	350%	4.5 x previous AQ	4	31

- Results shown are "worst case" based on 2013 and 2014 AQ Review data quality should be better after migration to new UKLink – impossible to quantify impact of data cleansing
- Reviewed and agreed on 5th June 2015 teleconference

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SSP TO LSP INCREASES – UPDATED RESULTS



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- Much greater volatility of change amongst SSP to LSP Threshold Crossers
- Previously reviewed 2013 and 2014 Threshold Crossers based on initial system calculation
- Sub-divided population using proposed Read Tolerance Sub-Bands (PN UNC 10th March)
- All sub-bands show big initial increases, mostly reduced subsequently by Xoserve and Shipper investigations
- Shippers requested that Xoserve revise the analysis, using the latest proposed read tolerances ...



SSP to LSP – Updated AQ Tolerance levels (proposed based on Outer Read Tolerances)

Lower AQ Band (kWh)	Upper AQ Band (kWh)	Proposed AQ Tolerance - % increase in AQ	Maximum Allowable New AQ kWh	Worst case false acceptances per 1000	Worst case number of rejections per 1000
1	1	7,000,000%	70,001	-	1,000
2	200	25,000%	50,200	-	1,000
201	500	10,000%	50,500	-	1,000
501	1,000	5,000%	51,000	-	1,000
1,001	5,000	2,020%	105,000	13	987
5,001	10,000	500%	60,000	-	1,000
10,001	20,000	400%	100,000	7	989
20,001	73,200	600%	512,400	183	572
Tolerance would not permit any threshold crossers					

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SSP to LSP Increases – Summary of Discussions

- Use of proposed outer read tolerances would allow very few threshold crossers
 - Would prevent any AQs between 1 and 1,000 becoming LSP until a post-Nexus start read becomes available
- Question for the 5th June meeting;
 - Is this an acceptable consequence or excessively cautious?
- Conclusion from the 5th June meeting;
 - Yes, with minor amendments which is shown on the following slide



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3001 *	5,000	1,000%	55,000	-	1,000	
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* Previous Banding 1,001 to 5,000 split into 2 to reduce rejection of valid Domestic AQs						

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Summary/ next steps

- Sub-group to make recommendation to 8th June PN UNC
- Approved tolerances to be documented in a UNC Related Doc
- Tolerances will be parameters in the interim solution and can be amended

