

Representation

Draft Modification Report

0487S - Introduction of Advanced Meter Indicator and Advanced Meter Reader (AMR) Service Provider Identifier in advance of Project Nexus Go Live

Consultation close out date: 08 October 2014
Respond to: enquiries@gasgovernance.co.uk
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Date of Representation: 06 October 2014

Do you support or oppose implementation?

Support

Please summarise (in one paragraph) the key reason(s) for your support/opposition.

Within the Non Domestic gas market Advanced Metering is being deployed at customer sites. Unfortunately the presence of an Advanced Meter is not recorded within central systems. This is having a customer journey impact, especially during a Change of Supply (CoS) event.

As this proposal seeks to introduce Advanced Meter Service Provider details within the central system and place an obligation on Shippers to populate and maintain the relevant information, we believe this is an improvement on the current arrangements and we support this change.

Modification Panel Members have indicated that it would be particularly helpful if the following question could be addressed in responses:

Q1: "Respondents to indicate, recognising the solution only applies pre nexus, their expected systems implementation lead time for this modification should it be implemented, to help Panel consider the merits of this modification."

Regarding the question of implementation of the AMR SP data item Pre-Nexus, our IS have concluded a change late March early April is our earliest delivery date. We still believe there is a business case for this change to be implemented ahead of the post Nexus solution -

- Better customer journey
- The information from this change can be migrated to the enduring solution

Are there any new or additional issues that you believe should be recorded in the Modification Report?

None identified

Self Governance Statement:

Do you agree with the Modification Panel's decision that this should be a self-governance modification?

This is a simple change that should follow self-governance.

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Relevant Objectives:

We believe this change meets relevant objective d) securing of effective competition. This change will ensure industry data is appropriately maintain, especially after a CoS event, reducing the need for abortive site visit costs for new shipper parties. This will reduce costs and lead to a more efficient and competitive industry.

Impacts and Costs:

What analysis, development and ongoing costs would you face if this modification were implemented?

Small system changes are required to facilitate this change. Their respective costs have not been identified at this stage, although they are not expected to be significant.

Implementation:

What lead-time would you wish to see prior to this modification being implemented, and why?

We would like to see an implementation late Q1, 2015.

Legal Text:

Are you satisfied that the legal text will deliver the intent of the modification?

Yes

Is there anything further you wish to be taken into account?

Please provide any additional comments, supporting analysis, or other information that that you believe should be taken into account or you wish to emphasise.

No