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Changes to GDN MOD186 Publication Dates



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Why change?



- The MOD186 report was introduced in 2008 to provide additional information for shipper to understand the direction and size of future Distribution Transportation charges
- Ongoing industry development and the requirements relating the current price control period – RIIO – has resulted in a misalignment between the required reporting dates and the availability of final information
- This has resulted in an increased requirement for variance analysis due to changes between forecast and final information

Options



- It is proposed that the reporting dates are amended to provide additional flexibility with suitable backstop dates to ensure timely information remains available
- This will ensure that more up to date information is used to provide published information

Solution



- UNC TPD Section V5.13.1 (g) requires that the current report is published on “the 10th Business Day of the second calendar month following the end of the Quarter”
- Propose that additional flexibility introduced by use of a backstop date rather than fixed date
- Change “the 10th Business Day” to “no later than the 10th Business Day”
- Amend the reporting month to align to availability of final data and RIIO reporting schedules
- Change “the second calendar month” to “the next calendar month”

Recommended Steps



- The Proposer recommends that this modification should be:
(delete as appropriate)
 - Subject to self-governance
 - Change is largely administrative and will have no material impact on competition or operation of the pipeline systems
 - Workgroup assessment to develop the modification for 2 months
 - Completion or a workgroup report is considered best practice to ensure any unintended consequences are identified, and remedied if appropriate, prior to consultation