

## DESC Workgroup Report

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For Pre-Payment & Smart Meters

**Date referred from Panel:** 20 February 2014

### Background

Please refer to [www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0451](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0451)

The UNC modification rules require that where an urgent modification is implemented it should be considered whether the subject matter of the modification should be referred to a workgroup for further analysis.

Following consideration of the Authority's decision letter, the Modification Panel determined that the subject matter for Modification 0451AV should be considered by a Workgroup or other relevant group(s) as set out below under issues to be discussed.

The Distribution Workgroup addressed two issues, which were accepted and closed at the May 2014 Panel:

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/panel/150514>

In parallel the Demand Estimation Sub-Committee (DESC) was asked to consider whether more accurate profiles for pre-payment customers could be developed.

### Issue to be discussed

By way of updating Panel, Fiona Cottam from Xoserve provides the following update:

We have received, validated and processed more up-to-date data from Utilita for SO LDZ, which has been used to update the previous indicative 2013/14 profile, which was developed during the Mod discussions. The same data can be used to derive a profile for 2014/15 Gas Year. The data covers 3 calendar years, and validated datasets range from 208 to 407 meter points. This compares reasonably well to the standard EUC sample sizes. The standard process also uses a 3-year smoothed model.

We will present the draft profile at the next DESC meeting on June 25th for their consideration. At that meeting we will also discuss options for creating profiles for the other LDZs, for which Utilita do not have sufficient daily data. We would still welcome such data from other parties, for sites with daily read prepayment customers.

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We have also received a large amount of non-daily data for prepayment customers from another Shipper. We will use this to compare to the draft PPM profile. However, we cannot generate a new profile without daily data. We hope to have initial results available for the same DESC meeting.

There are a number of DESC meetings scheduled over the summer and we confident of having profiles available for all LDZs to support the implementation of a system solution in Autumn 2014. We do not yet have a precise implementation date. We will, of course, catch up on charges since the Modification Implementation Date, once the systems solution is live.

### **Recommendation**

Panel is recommended to request a further report from DESC in September 2014