

UK Link Committee 10th July 2014 – AQ Review 2014 System Restrictions and File delays

The AQ Review process is an annual series of events which culminates in the recalculation of the annual quantity for all meter points. You will be aware from previous years that this is a major transactional event which requires the processing of an extraordinary volume of data. As a result it will have an impact on the way we process SPA files and on the data availability from the DE service.

In order to mitigate and minimise any disruption to the industry Xoserve will be providing updates to the industry throughout the lifecycle of AQ Review 2014.

Previous AQ Review Activities update:

AQ Calculation (21.03.14 to 19.08.14)

The first phase of the Review, where the AQ Calculation process takes place, is nearing completion. All tasks to date have been completed successfully.

Offer & Supply Point Review Process (22.08.2014 to 14.09.2014)

During the second phase, the Supply Point/Offer Review process runs, new Gas Year EUC's are created and shipper update files are sent.

This particular update relates to impacts on UK Link; a number of system restrictions and file Delays will be applied to UK Link throughout the process, details of which can be seen in the tables below.

Setting AQ Values – During this phase of the AQ Review process, system restrictions and file delays will be applied to UK Link between September 22nd and September 26th.

This phase sees the start of the busiest time for the AQ Review process. On 22nd and 23rd September, all RGMA file processing will be put on hold to allow for the preparation for uploading data onto the UK Link system. The following list details the files that will be delayed along with the expected catch-up completion date:

			Unavailable	Unavailable	Available
Activity	System Impacted	Stakeholder Impact	Business Day	Non-business Day(s)	BAU
M-Number Creation, Meter Point Status amendments, Meter Status amendments and Online Isolations and Reconnection Process	UK Link	Activities restricted via RGMA batch jobs until available date stated.	22 nd & 23 rd Sept	N/A	24 th Sept
Meter Point Status amendments	DN Link	Meter point status amendments not allowed until available date stated.	22 nd & 23 rd Sept	N/A	24 th Sept
Transfer of ownership (early morning SPA suite and TRF files)	UK Link	Files received will not be processed until the available date stated.	23 rd Sept	N/A	24 th Sept



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NDM AQ/SOQ data to Gemini (AAQ/MDS)	UK Link	Files received will not be processed until the available date stated.	23 rd Sept	NA	24 th Sept
UMR File	UK Link	Files received will not be processed until the available date stated.	22 nd & 23 rd Sept	N/A	24 th Sept
RGMA File (JOB/UPD)	UK Link	Files received will not be processed until the available date stated.	22 nd & 23 rd Sept	N/A	24 th Sept
RGMA File (MAM)	UK Link	Files received will not be processed until the available date stated.	22 nd & 23 rd Sept	N/A	24 th Sept

AQ Go Live – During this phase of the AQ Review process, system restrictions and file delays will be applied to UK Link between September 30th and October 4th. These may also affect CMS processing, but further evaluation is needed to determine if this will be the case. An update will be provided to the Industry once the evaluation has been completed; our intention being to provide the information in readiness for the August UK Link Committee meeting.

On 1^{st} October, when the new gas year data is loaded into the system, all SPA file processing will be put on hold. The following list details the files that will be delayed along with the expected catch- up completion date:

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M-Number Creation, Meter Point Status amendments, Meter Status amendments and Online Isolations and Reconnection Process	UK Link	Activities restricted via RGMA batch jobs until available date stated.	30th Sept to 2nd Oct	N/A	2nd Oct
Transfer of ownership (early morning SPA suite and TRF files)	UK Link	Files received will not be processed until the available date stated.	1st Oct	N/A	2nd Oct
UMR File	UK Link	Files received will not be processed until the available date stated.	30th Sept	N/A	2nd Oct
RGMA File (JOB/UPD)	UK Link	Files received will not be processed until the available date stated.	30th Sept	N/A	2nd Oct
RGMA File (MAM)	UK Link	Files received will not be processed until the available date stated.	30th Sept	N/A	2nd Oct
SPGMT (Inv95 Supply Point Group	UK Link	Files received will not be processed until the available date stated.	1st Oct	N/A	4th Oct



During these periods, the industry will receive delayed responses to any files sent to Xoserve. Once the processes re-engage, the held files will be processed in chronological order until real-time processing resumes. As in previous years, Shippers should be mindful of the periods where files are being held and where possible submit the majority of files prior to these dates.

Any unexpected changes will be communicated at the earliest possible time. For further information you can also contact your Business Partner (externalrequests.spa@xoserve.com) or AQ Team Contact (AQ Review « Xoserve). You can also visit www.xoserve.com.