Summary of Key Messages from DESC TWG on 24th April 2019

Outcomes

2.0 Spring Analysis Phase 1

• DESC TWG reviewed the validated sample data available for this year's modelling process which will be used to derive the parameters required for Gas Year 2019/20. The proposed modelling datasets and new Winter Annual Ratio (WAR) thresholds were agreed meaning the next phase of the modelling process can be started. Modelling results will be shared at the next TWG meeting on Monday 13th May.

3.0 Seasonal Normal Review

 Analysis continues of the current formula for the Composite Weather Variable (CWV), this is part of the Seasonal Normal Review. Final benchmark results are expected to be presented at the next TWG meeting. An additional meeting has been added to the schedule in June to allow more time to consider any proposed changes to the existing formula, with a final decision expected at the DESC meeting in July.

6.0 AOB – Yeovilton Weather Station

 Since October 2018 the Composite Weather Variable (CWV) for SW LDZ only has been derived using 'pseudo' weather data. This has been necessary due to the closure of Filton weather station. The pseudo weather data has been derived from observations taken at Yeovilton weather station and a set of bias adjustments which are designed to mimic Filton. An error with the bias adjustments has recently been spotted which has meant the calculated CWVs for SW are less accurate than they could have been. Impacts of this discrepancy and proposed steps for correction have been shared and approved by the Demand Estimation Sub Committee Technical Workgroup. Corrective action is only being proposed to address future AQ calculations which will mean a revision to the historical WAALP values for the period of the error. NDM Nominations and Allocations and UIG will <u>not</u> be re-opened as part of any correction as subsequent meter point reconciliation will address any under or over allocation. Note: The reconciliation that occurs will match the profile of the original allocation and so will remain in line.

A link to the material shared in the meeting can be viewed here

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