

Industry update from Ofgem – as of 1 October 2021

UNC737: Transfer of NTS Entry Capacity from a Capacity Abandoned ASEP – Decision

We have decided that modification UNC737: Transfer of NTS Entry Capacity from a Capacity Abandoned ASEP should not be made. Our decision, published 30 September 2021, can be found at the link below.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/unc737-transfer-nts-entry-capacity-capacity-abandoned-asep>

Decision on proposed modifications to BBL Company’s Charging Methodology and Access Rules

On 30 June 2021, BBL Company (BBLC) proposed modifications to its Access Rules and Charging Methodology to the Authority for approval, pursuant to Standard Licence Conditions 10 and 11A of the Gas Interconnector Licence.

Our decision, published on 29 September 2021, is to grant approval for BBLC’s proposal. Attached to this letter is a direction to BBLC approving the proposed modified Access Rules and Charging Methodology on the basis they meet the Access Rules and Charging Methodology objectives.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/decision-proposed-modifications-bbl-companys-charging-methodology-and-access-rules>

Joint Statement from Kwasi Kwarteng, Business and Energy Secretary, and Jonathan Brearley, Ofgem Chief Executive

Please see this joint statement, published on 20 September 2021, on the recent increase in wholesale gas prices.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/joint-statement-kwasi-kwarteng-business-and-energy-secretary-and-jonathan-brearley-ofgem-chief-executive>

Code modification/modification proposals with Ofgem for decision – Expected publication dates timetable

This table, updated on 16 September 2021, gives the expected decision date, or date we intend to publish an impact assessment or consultation, for code modifications/proposals that are with us for decision. It also identifies the responsible Ofgem team. The dates in the table may change (for example due to developments in respect of the particular modification proposal or due to other calls on our resources) and we will update the table to reflect this.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/code-modificationmodification-proposals-ofgem-decision-expected-publication-dates-timetable>

Approval of the proposed Transportation Agreement between Premier Transmission Limited and GNI (UK)

On 13 August 2021, a Transportation Agreement between GNI (UK) and Premier Transmission Limited (PTL) was submitted to the Authority for approval in accordance with Standard Licence Condition (SLC) 3 of the Gas Interconnector Licence – ‘Compliance with bilateral agreements’.

This letter, published 15 September 2021, sets out our decision to approve the proposed agreement on the basis that its contents have been agreed by both parties.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/approval-proposed-transportation-agreement-between-premier-transmission-limited-and-gni-uk>

UNC758: Temporary extension of AUG Statement Creation Process – Decision

UNC758 asserted that the new AUGE did not have sufficient time to develop a robust AUG Statement in accordance with the Framework for the Appointment of an Allocation of Unidentified Gas Expert (AUGE) and therefore proposed to rollover the existing AUG Table from 2020/21.

The Authority, on 6 September 2021, decided that this modification should not be made.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/unc758-authority-decision>

RIIO-GT2 Price Control Financial Model for the Annual Iteration Process, November 2021

This is the GT2 Price Control Financial Model (PCFM), published on 3 September 2021, that we intend to use for the Annual Iteration Process (AIP) that will take place by 30 November 2021.

Under Part D of Special Condition 8.1 of the Gas Transporter Licence, the Authority is required to publish the Financial Model it will use for the AIP in November of each Regulatory Year.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/riio-gt2-price-control-financial-model-annual-iteration-process-november-2021>