

Industry update from Ofgem – as of 31 January 2022

Decision on modifications regarding Last Resort Supply Payment Claim deadlines for gas transporter licence conditions

On 23 December 2021, we consulted on proposed modifications regarding Last Resort Supply Payment Claims for the gas transporter licence. This decision below, published 28 January 2022, is our direction to modify the Gas Transporter licence to amend the deadline for submitting Last Resort Supply Payment Claims.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/decision-modifications-regarding-last-resort-supply-payment-claim-deadlines-gas-transportation-licence-conditions>

UNC765: New retrospective debit and credit charges to reflect changes to the treatment of Entry Capacity Revenue between October and December 2020 – Authority Decision

The purpose of this modification is to create new debit and credit charges to recover and redistribute the revenues received from daily interruptible and within-day obligated Entry Capacity from Capacity Neutrality arrangements between 1 October 2020 and 31 December 2020.

On 28 January 2022, we decided to reject this modification to the UNC.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/unc765-new-retrospective-debit-and-credit-charges-reflect-changes-treatment-entry-capacity-revenue-between-october-and-december-2020>

Decision on the Transmission Planning Code

National Grid Gas plc submitted the draft Transmission Planning Code (TPC) to Ofgem for approval on 26 November 2021. After careful consideration, we decide on 24 January 2022 to approve the proposed changes to the TPC.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/decision-transmission-planning-code-0>

UNC760: Introducing the concept of a derogation framework into Uniform Network Code (UNC) – Authority Decision

We have considered the issues raised by the modification proposal UNC760: 'Introducing the concept of a derogation framework' and the Final Modification Report dated 21 October 2021, and after careful consideration we decided to reject the modification with our reasons set out in this decision letter, published 21 January 2022.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/decision-reject-uniform-network-code-unc-760-introducing-concept-derogation-framework-uniform-network-code-unc>

GB Gas Storage Facilities 2022

On 21 January 2022, we published information regarding the existing, operational gas storage facilities in GB.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/gb-gas-storage-facilities-2022>

UNC797 (Urgent): Last Resort Supply Payments Volumetric Charges – Authority Decision

We have directed in this letter, published on 20 January 2022, that modification UNC797: 'Last Resort Supply Payments Volumetric Charges' should be made. Correspondingly, we also directed in this letter that modification UNC697V 'Creation of new charge to recover Last Resort Supply Payments' be rejected.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/authority-decision-unc0797-urgent-last-resort-supply-payments-volumetric-charges>

Consultation on the closeout methodologies for RIIO-GT1

The RIIO-GT1 price control ran from 1 April 2013 to 31 March 2021. Within RIIO-GD1 there are a number of cost areas that require specific mechanisms to close out given their uncertain nature. As a result of these mechanisms, some areas of the price control need to be settled ("closed out") once the price control has ended. We are proposing methodologies that will enable us to close out the RIIO-GT1 price control.

We welcome views from stakeholders on our suggested approach outlined in the consultation by 11 February 2022, sent to: Jon Sharvill on 0203 263 9623 or jon.sharvill@ofgem.gov.uk.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/consultation-closeout-methodologies-riio-gt1>

Green Gas Support Scheme and Green Gas Levy Launch

The Green Gas Support Scheme (GGSS) and the associated Green Gas Levy (GGL) launched on 30 November 2021 and is open for application in England, Scotland and Wales until November 2025. We're delighted to be administering the schemes on behalf of the Department of Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS), and you can read more on the schemes below.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/news-and-views/blog/green-gas-support-scheme-and-green-gas-levy-launch>

SGN Local Transmission System (LTS) Futures Project

We are consulting on the needs case and efficient costs for the LTS Futures Project proposed by SGN. We are seeking views on our assessment of the needs case, cost allowance and funding approach for this project. Responses are requested by 2 February 2022 to Duncan Innes on 0207 901 7471 or duncan.innes@ofgem.gov.uk.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/sgn-local-transmission-system-lts-futures-project>

Statutory consultation on modifications regarding Last Resort Supply Payment Claims for electricity supply, gas supply, electricity distribution and gas transporter licence conditions

This is a statutory consultation published on 30 December 2021 on modifications regarding Last Resort Supply Payment Claims for electricity supply, gas supply, electricity distribution and gas transportation licence conditions.

Any representations with respect to the proposed licence modifications must be made on or before 27 January 2021 to regfinance@ofgem.gov.uk.

URL: <https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/publications/statutory-consultation-modifications-regarding-last-resort-supply-payment-claims-electricity-supply-gas-supply-electricity-distribution-and-gas-transportation-licence-conditions>