

27/08/2004

Dear Colleague,

**NOTICE OF IMPLEMENTATION
MODIFICATION PROPOSAL No: 0704**

"Revised requirement for Users to ensure non-domestic Supply Meter Installations are installed
and maintained by accredited Meter Asset Managers"

Please note that Modification Proposal No 0704 will be implemented with effect from 06:00 hours on 31/08/2004. The Final Modification Report, Version 1.0, was signed by Ofgem on 24/08/2004.

The new Network Code text resulting from this Modification follows.

Modified Text:

8.4 TRANSITION DOCUMENT II

Insert the following to read:

“8.4.21 M2.1

Until July 12th, 2006 but not thereafter, for the purposes of Section M:

(a) Where:-

- (i) a Supply Meter Point does not relate to premises covered by Standard Condition 34(2) of the Supplier's Licence; and
- (ii) any supplier or any User in relation to such Supply Meter Point has provided or requested, or is providing or requesting, another to provide a Supply Meter Installation (other than where the Supply Meter Installation belongs to a consumer, or is lent or hired to a consumer and is the responsibility of a person other than a Gas transporter or supplier) for such Supply Meter Point;

then the Registered User in respect of such Supply Meter Point shall secure that:

- (1) where the Supply Meter Installation at such Supply Meter Point is installed after the 12 July 2004, appropriate approval, appraisal and authorisation will be obtained from Transco to the extent required by Section 6 of the MAM CoP; and/or

- (2) after 12 July 2004, such Supply Meter Installation at such Supply Meter Point is maintained by a Meter Asset Manager appointed by the supplier or the User; and
- (b) where Transco discovers after the 12 July 2004 that in respect of such such Supply Meter Installation paragraphs (a)(1) and /or (2) have not been complied with then Transco shall notify the Registered User accordingly and the Registered User will:
 - (i) within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt of the notice from Transco ensure that such Supply Meter Installation is re-installed and/or maintained by a Meter Asset Manager and notify Transco of the identity of such Meter Asset Manager; or
 - (ii) where it is not practicable to ensure the performance of such re-installation and/or maintenance within such 14 calendar day period, within 7 calendar days of receipt of the notice from Transco notify Transco of the reasons for this and the date by which it will ensure such re-installation and/or maintenance is performed by a Meter Asset Manager and promptly notify Transco when such work has occurred;
- (c) where the Registered User has failed to fully comply with paragraphs (a)(1) or (2) Transco, acting reasonably, shall be entitled to take whatever steps it deems necessary (including the inspection, repair, replacement or disconnection of the Supply Meter Installation) to ensure that Transco complies with any Legal Requirements imposed upon it, and the Registered User shall reimburse Transco in respect of any and all costs, expenses and charges reasonably incurred or expended by or on behalf of Transco in taking such steps;
- (d) Transco's entitlement in paragraph (c) is without prejudice to Transco's entitlement at any time to make safe any Supply Meter Installation (including disconnection) for this purpose;
- (e) for the purposes of paragraph (a) "**Meter Asset Manager**" means:-
 - (i) a person approved by the Authority as possessing expertise satisfactorily to provide services in relation to Supply Meter Installations or a class or description of persons so approved; or
 - (ii) an undertaking approved by the Authority as having staff possessing the requisite expertise;

and, for the purposes of this definition, "**approved by the Authority**" means approved by it for the purposes of this paragraph generally and "**staff**" includes officers, servants and agents;

- (f) for the purposes of paragraph (a) "**MAM CoP**" means the document entitled Code of Practice for Gas Meter Asset Managers which is published by the Authority from time to time."

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Yours sincerely,

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