

TRANSCO NETWORK CODE MODIFICATION PROPOSAL No. 0641
"Customer Requested Objections"
Version 2.0

Date: 13/08/2003

Proposed Implementation Date:

Urgency: Non-Urgent

Justification

A feature of Ofgem's consultation document 'Objecting in the Domestic Market' (May 2003) is that a number of measures have been identified seeking improvement to the current Supply Point Objection process. One of these is to introduce a new objection reason: - 'Customer Requested Objection' ('CRO'). A CRO would provide the ability for a customer to trigger an objection to a proposed Supply Point transfer where it has specifically stated to its current supplier that it has not entered into a contract to transfer supply. Where such an objection has been raised then the Proposing User should not seek to register the Supply Point. To ensure consistency with the new licence condition (Standard 46 of Suppliers Licence), modification of the Network Code is necessary to require Transco to pass on details of a CRO to the Proposing User where they have received notice of such from the Existing Registered User.

Nature of Proposal

Where a Customer Requested Objection has been raised by the Existing Registered User and so identified to Transco, Transco would be obliged to pass on details of the objection to the Proposing User.

Purpose of Proposal

This Modification Proposal seeks to facilitate a Customer Requested Objection as permitted by the Supplier Licence. Transco believes that implementation of this Modification Proposal would better facilitate its Relevant Objective to secure effective competition between relevant shippers and between relevant suppliers.

Consequence of not making this change

If this change is not made Transco would not be obliged to pass on information relating to CROs where it is supplied by a User. This would be inconsistent with the Suppliers licence.

Area of Network Code Concerned

Principal Document G2.8

Proposer's Representative

Christopher J Warner (Transco)

Proposer

Sharon D McLaughlin (Transco)

Signature

.....