

TRANSCO NETWORK CODE MODIFICATION PROPOSAL No. 0584
"Provision of Contestable Transmission Support Services"
Version 1.0

Date: 13/09/2002

Proposed Implementation Date: 31/01/2003

Urgency: Non-Urgent

Justification

This Modification Proposal is required to enable development of Transmission Support services on a contestable basis which is not provided at present within the Network Code.

Nature of Proposal

It is proposed that the present Network Code provisions for Constrained Storage be amended or removed. This would allow contestable services to supplement the present arrangements whereby Transmission Support services are only booked under Network Code constrained storage provisions.

In parallel with this Proposal, Transco intends to develop contestable Transmission Support service contracts. The implementation of these service contracts would be similar to those already adopted by Transco for entry capacity management. It is intended that the contracting process would be outlined in the proposed Procurement Guidelines and operated in accordance with the proposed System Management Principles.

Purpose of Proposal

Implementation of this Modification Proposal would allow Transco to obtain Transmission Support services from a number of sources including Users able to offer demand side curtailment of existing firm loads. This would be expected to:

- Facilitate Transco's efficient and economic operation of its pipeline system; and
- In widening the range of Users and other parties able to offer the proposed service, facilitate the securing of effective competition between relevant shippers.

Consequence of not making this change

Transco would have only the present means of obtaining Transmission Support services at locations where there was insufficient pipeline capacity to meet the 1 in 20 peak day demand. This would inhibit the development of more economic methods of meeting Transmission Support requirements.

Area of Network Code Concerned

Section R4 - Constrained Storage

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