

Code Administration Code of Practice KPIs Joint Office of Gas Transporters 2015 Q2 Report

As part of its energy Codes Governance Review (CGR), Ofgem proposed that a Code of Practice, (the CACoP) “be established to facilitate convergence and transparency in code Modification processes and to help protect the interests of small market participants and consumers through various means including increased use of plain English in modification reports”.

The Code of Practice puts forward principles for Code Administrators to follow, but also sets out principles applicable to a code Modification process. A standard Modification process is described, including standard pro-forma code Modification documents, processes and timescales with the CACoP itself, the latest copy of which can be found at:

<https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/licences-codes-and-standards/codes/industry-codes-work/code-administration-code-practice-cacop>

The Joint Office of Gas Transporters (Joint Office) are the Code Administrator for the Uniform Network Code (UNC), which contains the terms of transportation arrangements that are common to gas transporters in England, Scotland and Wales. All modifications referred to in this document are available on the Joint Office website at:

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/mods>

Where the CACoP requires us to report an average figure (e.g. days or numbers of modifications), we have included median values to address the skewing effect of particularly large, or small, occurrences.

Readers should be aware of the following when reading this document:

1. In compiling this document, we have reported on UNC Modifications that have completed their respective process cycles (Withdrawal, Panel Determination for Self Governance / Fast Track Modifications or Ofgem Decision otherwise) within the reporting period **01 April to 30 June 2015** (11 modifications) – see Appendix 2 for a full list.

Self-Governance	Fast Track	Modification	Withdrawn
2	1	6	2

For example, in assessing the information for KPI 10 there are currently several modifications for which a UNC Panel recommendation was made during Q2 2015, but an Ofgem decision is awaited – these modifications will be subsequently recorded when the decision is received.

2. **To ensure that we accurately represent the lifecycle of UNC modifications, effective from 01 January 2015, we will report only once on a modification regardless of whether there are Variations. This removes any duplication occurring from modifications that become effectively withdrawn when they are superseded by a Varied Modification. Alternates are still shown separately.**
3. Where a modification has been withdrawn by its Proposer, regardless of whether it is Fast-Track, Self-Governance or standard Modification, it is classed as ‘Withdrawn’.
4. Items 1 and 4 are not reported in the Quarterly Reports, only in the Annual Report.
5. Only calendar days are reported (i.e. not business days).
6. A quarterly comparison and year-to-date position is shown in Appendix 1.

1. Number and percentage of survey respondents who stated they were 'satisfied' or better with the assistance offered by the code administrator

n/a

2. Number and percentage of reports 'sent' back by the Authority.

In Q2 2015, the Authority sent back 0 reports (00%):

	None
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3. Number and percentage of final decisions on which the Authority's assessment i) accords with the panel recommendation and ii) conflicts with the panel recommendation

6 Ofgem decisions were issued, of which 4 (67%) accorded with the panel recommendation.

		Ofgem Decision	
		Implement	Reject
Panel Recommendation	Implement	4	2
	Reject	-	-

Panel recommended implementation: Ofgem directed implementation:

0519	Harmonisation of Reference Conditions at Interconnection Points
0500	EU Capacity Regulations - Capacity Allocation Mechanisms with Congestion Management Procedures
0493	EU Gas Balancing Code - Daily Nominations at Interconnector Points (IP)
0473	Project Nexus – Allocation of Unidentified Gas

Panel recommended implementation: Ofgem did not direct implementation:

0521	Revision of User Admission Criteria to include Transporter verification of its ability to transact with the Applicant User
0473A	Project Nexus – Allocation of Unidentified Gas

Panel did not recommend implementation: Ofgem did not direct implementation:

	None
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	None
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4. Glossary and plain English summary to be provided with reports

n/a

5. Average number of respondents to consultation

8 consultations on draft modification reports closed in the data sample. These attracted an average of 6 responses (minimum of 2 and maximum of 10) with a median of 7 responses.

0516S	Information provision by large Customers to aid understanding of site characteristics	10
0473A	Project Nexus – Allocation of Unidentified Gas	10
0473	Project Nexus – Allocation of Unidentified Gas	10
0521	Revision of User Admission Criteria to include Transporter verification of its ability to transact with the Applicant User	8

0500	EU Capacity Regulations - Capacity Allocation Mechanisms with Congestion Management Procedures	5
0519	Harmonisation of Reference Conditions at Interconnection Points	3
0493	EU Gas Balancing Code - Daily Nominations at Interconnector Points (IP)	3
0533S	Corrections to Network Entry Provisions in the National Grid NTS-BBL Interconnector Agreement	2

6. Percentage of papers published outside of modification rules requirements

The modification rules specify requirements for the publication of modification panel papers, modifications, and modification reports. These have all been met (0% outside modification rules requirements).

7. Number and percentage of reports submitted to the authority in line with original timetable

No timetable is set for when reports should be submitted to the Authority and hence we cannot report on this KPI as described. The modification panel sets a date by which each modification workgroup is requested to report.

During Q2 2015, workgroup reports were received by the panel for 10 modifications. 8 (80%) of these were received within the original requested timetable.

8. Number of extensions to timetable requested

This KPI measures how the Workgroup assessment process is currently working and is therefore not restricted to modifications completing their cycle in this report.

At modification panel meetings held in Q2 2015, 13 requests for workgroup reporting timetables to be extended were accepted.

9. Average time between (non-urgent) proposal being raised and submitted for decision

During Q2 2015, the modification panel determined 9 non-urgent modifications. These were considered, on average, 182 days after they were raised (minimum of 14 and maximum of 367 days) with a median of 203 days.

0473	Project Nexus – Allocation of Unidentified Gas	367
0500	EU Capacity Regulations - Capacity Allocation Mechanisms with Congestion Management Procedures	259
0516S	Information provision by large Customers to aid understanding of site characteristics	247
0493	EU Gas Balancing Code - Daily Nominations at Interconnector Points (IP)	230
0473A	Project Nexus – Allocation of Unidentified Gas	203
0519	Harmonisation of Reference Conditions at Interconnection Points	195
0533S	Corrections to Network Entry Provisions in the National Grid NTS-BBL Interconnector Agreement	76
0521	Revision of User Admission Criteria to include Transporter verification of its ability to transact with the Applicant User	44
0538FT	Correcting legal text errors - gas Security of Supply Significant Code Review	14

10. Average time between proposal being submitted for decision and decision being published

This KPI disregards self-governance and fast track modifications but measures the number of days between the Final Modification Report being issued to Ofgem and the date of a decision letter by Ofgem. During Q2 2015, 6 decisions were received from Ofgem. On average, these were received after 131 days (in the range 35 to 209 days) with a median of 140 days.

0493	EU Gas Balancing Code - Daily Nominations at Interconnector Points (IP)	209
0500	EU Capacity Regulations - Capacity Allocation Mechanisms with Congestion Management Procedures	153
0473A	Project Nexus – Allocation of Unidentified Gas	140
0473	Project Nexus – Allocation of Unidentified Gas	140
0521	Revision of User Admission Criteria to include Transporter verification of its ability to transact with the Applicant User	108
0519	Harmonisation of Reference Conditions at Interconnection Points	35

11a. Average time between decision and implementation (separately identifying systems and non-system changes) - for modifications that completed their cycle and were implemented during Q2

3 modifications completed their governance cycle and were implemented during Q2 2015, 1 of which required changes to central systems. The average time between decision and implementation was 10 days (with a range of 2 to 25 days) and a median of 2 days.

0533S	Corrections to Network Entry Provisions in the National Grid NTS-BBL Interconnector Agreement	25
0500	EU Capacity Regulations - Capacity Allocation Mechanisms with Congestion Management Procedures	2
0493	EU Gas Balancing Code - Daily Nominations at Interconnector Points (IP)	2

11b. Average time between decision and implementation (separately identifying systems and non-system changes) - for modifications completing their cycle up to Q1 2015 but implemented in Q2

1 modification completed its cycle previously but was implemented during Q2 2015, and also required changes to central systems. The average time between decision and implementation was 82 days (with a range of 0 to 82 days) and a median of 82 days.

0487V	Introduction of an Advanced Meter Reader (AMR) Service Provider (ASP) Identifier (ASP ID) and Advanced Meter Indicator	82
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12. Number and percentage of reports for which implementation cost estimates were available for consultation

An estimate of implementation costs for central systems (which may be zero) was included in all 8 modifications subject to consultation in Q2 2015 (100%).

13a. Accuracy percentage difference (whether higher or lower) between estimated and actual implementation costs for modifications that were specific to Q2 only

1 of the modifications implemented during Q2 2015 required changes to central systems (0500), though these changes have yet to be completed and no report is made at this time.

13b. Accuracy percentage difference (whether higher or lower) between estimated and actual implementation costs for modifications rolling over (as in KPI 11) from previous periods to Q2

1 of the modifications (0487V) rolled over from previous reports that were implemented during Q2 2015 required changes to central systems, though these changes have yet to be completed and no report is made at this time.

Appendix 1 – Comparison and Year to Date Performance*

KPI Reference			2015					2014	2013	2012
			Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Year Total			
2	Reports Sent Back by the Authority		1	0				2	1	2
3	Decisions Panel vs Authority	i) Accord	8	4				18	18	15
		ii) Conflict	0	2				9	2	10
5	Respondents to Consultations	i) Average	8	6				8	7	8
		ii) Median	7	7				7	6	8
8	Extensions to Timetable		2	13				42	52	26
9	Time between 'raised' and 'submitted' (days)	i) Average	322	182				187	225	229
		ii) Median	260	203				133	168	196
10	Time between 'submitted' and decision being published (days)	i) Average	110	131				65	44	125
		ii) Median	89	140				36	34	39

*All data is 'number'

Appendix 2 – Modifications included in this Report (Q2 specific)

0538FT	Correcting legal text errors - gas Security of Supply Significant Code Review	Fast Track
0537	Change of Project Nexus Implementation Date to 1st April 2016	Withdrawn
0533S	Corrections to Network Entry Provisions in the National Grid NTS-BBL Interconnector Agreement	Self-Governance
0521	Revision of User Admission Criteria to include Transporter verification of its ability to transact with the Applicant User	Modification
0519	Harmonisation of Reference Conditions at Interconnection Points	Modification
0516S	Information provision by large Customers to aid understanding of site characteristics	Self-Governance
0509	Permission to release Protected Information to Authorised Third Parties	Withdrawn
0500	EU Capacity Regulations - Capacity Allocation Mechanisms with Congestion Management Procedures	Modification
0493	EU Gas Balancing Code - Daily Nominations at Interconnector Points (IP)	Modification
0473A	Project Nexus – Allocation of Unidentified Gas	Modification
0473	Project Nexus – Allocation of Unidentified Gas	Modification

Appendix 3 – Modifications included in this Report (previous periods rolled into Q2)

The data sampling approach taken in compiling this report means that a modification completing its relevant governance cycle in any given quarter but being implemented in another might not feature in KPIs 11 (time between decision and implementation) and 13 (accuracy of estimated versus actual implementation costs. To avoid this, KPI 11b and 13b has been included to identify those modifications ‘rolled over’ from a previous quarter.

The table below identifies the modifications that fall into this description for this report.

0487V	Introduction of an Advanced Meter Reader (AMR) Service Provider (ASP) Identifier (ASP ID) and Advanced Meter Indicator	Modification
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