

APPLICATION FOR CONSENT TO MODIFY THE CODE

"0083 Proposal to insert obligations to process data received from iGTs in line with the requirements as outlined within Annex A of the Connected System Exit Point (CSEP) Network Exit Agreement (NExA)"

Version 1.0

Reference: CXXX

Transporter Proposal

The legal text in respect of Modification Proposal **0083 " Proposal to insert obligations to process data received from iGTs in line with the requirements as outlined within Annex A of the Connected System Exit Point (CSEP) Network Exit Agreement (NExA)"** that was implemented on 1 October 2006 does not accurately reflect the nature and intention of the Proposal. The concerns that Transporters have with the current text are

- (6.5.4(c)) - It is appropriate to clarify the level of 'validation' applied by large Transporters which consists of checking for compliance with appropriate file formats and checking that aggregate AQ values are within each CSEP development's maximum AQ level. No further validation is performed, for example as to whether the appropriate AQ has been registered against the correct User. The level of validation certainly is less than that afforded to directly connected Supply Points and therefore the definition contained within 6.5.5(c) is not correct. xoserve, as the Transporter Agent, have continued to apply current levels of validation of CSEP AQ update and AQ Review data.
- (6.5.4(d)) - the requirement for large Transporters to acknowledge receipt of information in respect of AQ review data and AQ update data within two Business Days in writing is not in the Nature of Proposal and it is therefore not appropriate to be included in the legal text. Such acknowledgments are not and have never been previously issued. xoserve, as the Transporter Agent, have not instructed its agent xoserve to issue such acknowledgements.
- The text does not detail the requirement for large Transporters to acknowledge receipt of I&C NDM reconciliation corrected volumes within 2 Business Days of receipt. This is specified within the Nature and Purpose of Proposal and is therefore required to be reflected in the legal text. Since implementation xoserve have been instructed to acknowledge receipt of I&C CSEP reconciliation volumes, aligned with the intent of the Proposal.

We therefore wish to seek a 'Consent to Modify' to align the legal text with the proposal.

Nature of Modification

The legal text contained in the Notice of Implementation inserted paragraphs 6.5.4, 6.5.5 and 6.5.6 into Section J6 of the Uniform Network Code Transportation Principal Document. This Consent to Modify seeks to amend this text as set out below.

UNIFORM NETWORK CODE – TRANSPORTATION PRINCIPAL DOCUMENT SECTION J – EXIT REQUIREMENTS

Delete existing paragraphs J6.5.4 to 6.5.6 and replace them with the following:

6.5.4. Where:

- (a) a Connected Offtake System is a pipeline system;
- (b) the Connected System Operator is another gas transporter; and
- (c) the relevant CSEP is Unmetered;

the provisions of paragraphs 6.5.5 to 6.5.7 shall apply.

6.5.5. The Transporter will:

- (a) in respect of each Gas Year, keep the Connected System Operator informed in a timely manner of the development of the End User Categories applicable to the Connected Offtake System;
- (b) subject to the Transporter receiving Annual Data from the Connected System Operator by no later than the 10th (tenth) Business Day prior to 1st October in each year, validate the same and where validation is passed, update its records with such Annual Data by the 2nd Business Day following receipt so as to ensure that such updates take effect and are used for the purposes of the Code with effect from 1st October in that year;
- (c) validate AQ Weekly Updates within 2 Business Days of receipt and where validation is passed, update its records and thereafter use such updated records for the purposes of the Code; and
- (d) within 2 Business Days after receipt of Volume Data, acknowledge such receipt to the Connected System Operator.

6.5.6. Any proposal by the Transporter to amend the frequency or timing of the AQ Weekly Updates required from the Connected System Operator, shall be deemed to be a proposal to amend the Transporter's Network Code and shall be subject to the Modification Rules.

6.5.7. For the purposes of paragraphs 6.5.5 and 6.5.6 only:

"Annual Data" means the details which are required to be provided to the Transporter annually by the Connected System Operator pursuant to the provisions of the CSEP Network Exit Agreement and which have resulted

from the annual review by the Connected System Operator of the AQs applicable to Supply Meter Points on the Connected Offtake System.

"AQ Weekly Updates" means the updated information required to be provided to the Transporter on a weekly basis by the Connected System Operator pursuant to the provisions of the CSEP Network Exit Agreement relating to End User Categories, numbers of Supply Meter Points registered to users of the Connected Offtake System and AQs.

"validate" means to check whether electronic communications comply with the requirements of the CSEP Network Exit Agreement;]

"Volume Data" means a volume expressed in Cubic Metres derived by the Connected System Operator from Valid Meter Readings in respect of Larger NDM Supply Points pursuant to the provisions of the CSEP Network Exit Agreement.

For the purposes of the definitions of Annual Data AQ Weekly Updates and Volume Data only, "Supply Meter Points" and Supply Points shall have the same meanings as in the Code but shall be construed (mutatis mutandis) in relation to the Connected Offtake System. "AQs" "Valid Meter Readings" and "Larger NDM" shall have the same meanings as in the Code but shall be construed (mutatis mutandis) in relation to Supply Meter Points and Supply Points located on the Connected Offtake System.

NB change heading of paragraph 6.5 to "Further Network Exit Provisions and Provisions Relating to Unmetered CSEPs"

Transporter Application

This application contains the Transporters' proposal to modify the Uniform Network Code for which they now seek the consent of the Authority,

Signed for and on behalf of Transporter.

Signature:

Tim Davis
Chief Executive Joint Office of Gas Transporters

Date:

Gas and Electricity Markets Authority Response:

In accordance with Standard Special Condition A11 'Network Code and the Uniform Network Code' of the Gas Transporters Licence, I hereby consent to the above modification to the Code.

Signed for and on Behalf of the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority.

Signature:

Date: