

Development Workgroup Terms of Reference

Modification Proposal 0227

Cancel Confirmation facility for Smaller Supply Points

Nature of Modification Proposal

Network Code Review Group 0155 'Review of SPA Timescales' recommended the raising of a Modification Proposal to introduce a cancel confirmation facility which could be applied any domestic confirmation up to the end of D-8, to the Network Code. The provision of the facility will involve the development and implementation of new functionality to the UK-Link Supply Point Administration system (SPA).

In order to mitigate any threat of 'gaming' occurring, Review Group 0155 and latterly the SPA/Metering workstream determined that all cancelled confirmations should be periodically reported to all Shippers and to Ofgas. It was proposed that an appropriate facility is introduced to support this requirement. Two monthly reports will be produced, an Ofgas version detailing Shippers cancelling confirmations on a ranked basis and a Shippers version with a similar content but without individual Shippers identities being revealed.

A further security measure in the event of cancellation will be the notification to the incumbent shipper of retained responsibility. This will include a cancellation reason code and identification of the confirming/cancelling shipper.

Scope of Development Workgroup.

To the extent of determining the policing requirements for the identification of instances of 'gaming' and the measures necessary where abuse of the facility has occurred.

Workgroup Composition

Members of the SPA/Metering Workstream.

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To identify the ways in which the cancel confirmation facility will be policed and to establish appropriate responsibilities and measures to be taken where 'gaming' has occurred.

Timetable

Convene Development Work Group
Development Workgroup Report for Mod Panel

April 1998
May 1998