CODE MODIFICATION PROPOSAL No 0253 Facilitating a Supply Point Enquiry Service for Large Supply Points Version 3.0

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Proposed Implementation Date:

Urgency: Non Urgent

1 The Modification Proposal

a) Nature and Purpose of this Proposal

British Gas have raised this proposal to amend the UNC to permit access to a Supply Point Enquiry service for all larger supply points.

Presently, the UNC (G1.17) only permits a Supply Point Enquiry where an Enquiring User is "contemplating submitting a Supply Point Nomination". This means that, for a User to provide a quotation to a customer, the User must first submit the Supply Point Enquiry to the Transporters Agent and then receive the Supply Point Enquiry data.

The problem is that the process of submitting a Supply Point Enquiry and receipt and secondary processing of this data into a quotation adds time and cost to each User.

If the UNC permitted the provision of the Supply Point Enquiry data for all larger supply points and this data was available to Users to purchase from xoserve as a report, then Users would be able to improve their internal quotation processes, and possible remove costs from the wider business

Users may then choose contract with xoserve directly for the provision of this report on a commercial basis.

The Proposal

This proposal would amend the UNC to enable transporters to release all necessary data to produce a report to users containing the same data as available to Users following a Supply Point Enquiry. This proposal applies to LSPs only.

b) Justification for Urgency and recommendation on the procedure and timetable to be followed (if applicable)

Not urgent.

c) Recommendation on whether this Proposal should proceed to the review procedures, the Development Phase, the Consultation Phase or be referred to a Workstream for discussion.

We ask that the modification proposal proceeds to the Consultation Phase.

2 User Pays

a) Classification of the Proposal as User Pays or not and justification for classification

There are no User Pays implications.

b) Identification of Users, proposed split of the recovery between Gas Transporters and Users for User Pays costs and justification

Not applicable.

c) Proposed charge(s) for application of Users Pays charges to Shippers

Not applicable.

d) Proposed charge for inclusion in ACS – to be completed upon receipt of cost estimate from xoserve

Not applicable.

3 Extent to which implementation of this Modification Proposal would better facilitate the achievement (for the purposes of each Transporter's Licence) of the Relevant Objectives

The implementation of this proposal would enable Users to procure a report from xoserve which could improve their internal processes and provide quicker responses to customer quotations. This would improve the customer experience and secure effective competition between relevant shippers and suppliers.

4 The implications of implementing this Modification Proposal on security of supply, operation of the Total System and industry fragmentation

Not applicable.

- 5 The implications for Transporters and each Transporter of implementing this Modification Proposal, including:
 - a) The implications for operation of the System:

None identified.

b) The development and capital cost and operating cost implications:

None identified.

c) Whether it is appropriate to recover all or any of the costs and, if so, a proposal for the most appropriate way for these costs to be recovered:

This proposal would facilitate the release of data by xoserve to produce a report on a commercial basis, therefore there are no development costs associated with this change.

d) The consequence (if any) on the level of contractual risk of each Transporter under the Uniform Network Code of the Individual Network Codes proposed to be modified by this Modification Proposal

None identified.

The extent to which the implementation is required to enable each Transporter to facilitate compliance with a safety notice from the Health and Safety Executive pursuant to Standard Condition A11 (14) (Transporters Only)

No impact.

7 The development implications and other implications for the UK Link System of the Transporter, related computer systems of each Transporter and related computer systems of Users

There are no system implications.

- 8 The implications for Users of implementing the Modification Proposal, including:
 - a) The administrative and operational implications (including impact upon manual processes and procedures)

Only those Users who wish procure the report will be impacted. No other User or Transporter will be impacted.

b) The development and capital cost and operating cost implications

None identified.

c) The consequence (if any) on the level of contractual risk of Users under the Uniform Network Code of the Individual Network Codes proposed to be modified by this Modification Proposal

None identified.

The implications of the implementation for other relevant persons (including, but without limitation, Users, Connected System Operators, Consumers, Terminal Operators, Storage Operators, Suppliers and producers and, to the extent not so otherwise addressed, any Non-Code Party)

None identified.

10 Consequences on the legislative and regulatory obligations and contractual relationships of the Transporters

None identified.

11 Analysis of any advantages or disadvantages of implementation of the Modification Proposal not otherwise identified in paragraphs 2 to 10 above **Advantages** Users will be in a better position to respond to customer quotation requests. **Disadvantages** None identified. 12 Summary of representations received as a result of consultation by the Proposer (to the extent that the import of those representations are not reflected elsewhere in this Proposal) 13 Detail of all other representations received and considered by the Proposer 14 Any other matter the Proposer considers needs to be addressed 15 Recommendations on the time scale for the implementation of the whole or any part of this Modification Proposal **16 Comments on Suggested Text 17 Suggested Text** Code Concerned, sections and paragraphs Uniform Network Code Transportation Principal Document Section(s) G, V **Proposer's Representative**

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