

**UNIFORM NETWORK CODE – TRANSPORTATION PRINCIPAL DOCUMENT****SECTION G – SUPPLY POINTS****1 INTRODUCTION AND STRUCTURAL RULES****1.1 Supply Point and Registered User**

1.1.1 For the purposes of the Code:

- (a) a "**Supply Point**" is a System Exit Point comprising the Supply Meter Point or Supply Meter Points for the time being registered in the name of a User pursuant to a Supply Point Registration, or (for the purposes of this Section G only) the subject of a Proposed Supply Point Registration;
- (b) the "**Registered User**" of a Supply Point is the User in whose name such Supply Meter Points are so registered;
- (c) a "**Supply Point Registration**" is the registration of one or more Supply Meter Points in the name of a User pursuant to paragraph 2.8.7(a) or 2.9.1 or (where applicable) to paragraph 2.1.6.

1.1.2 Without prejudice to paragraph 1.7, only one User may be the Registered User in respect of a Supply Point.

1.1.3 A User may apply for a Supply Point Registration ("**Proposed Supply Point Registration**") subject to and in accordance with paragraph 2, and may withdraw from a Supply Point Registration subject to and in accordance with paragraph 3.

1.1.4 A Supply Point Registration may be modified only as respects those details of the Supply Point Registration specified as capable of being amended in Annex G-1; and a Supply Point Reconfirmation (in accordance with paragraph 2.2.5) will be required in respect of any change in any other details.

1.1.5 The "**Supply Point Registration Date**" in respect of a Supply Point is the date of the Supply Point Registration in accordance with paragraph 2.

1.1.6 A reference in the Code in the context of a User to a "**Registered**" Supply Point, Supply Point Component or Supply Meter Point is to a Supply Point, or (as the case may be) a Supply Point Component or Supply Meter Point comprised in a Supply Point, of which the User is the Registered User.

1.1.7 A reference in the Code to the Registered User of a Supply Point Component or Supply Meter Point is to the Registered User of the Supply Point (or in the case of a Shared Supply Meter Point any of the Supply Points) in which such Supply Point Component or Supply Meter Point is comprised.

1.1.8 In this Section G "**Supply Point Transportation Charges**" means Customer Charges, LDZ Capacity Charges, LDZ Commodity Charges, NTS Commodity Charges and NTS Exit Capacity Charges; and in the context of a Supply Point or Proposed Supply Point a reference to details of Supply Point Transportation Charges is to the applicable rate or amount thereof in accordance with Section B1.8.

## 1.2 Offtake responsibility for Supply Points

Subject to paragraph 3.4.2 the gas offtaken from the Total System at a Supply Point will (in accordance with Section E3 and where applicable paragraph 1.7) be attributed for the purposes of the Code to the Registered User; and the Registered User accepts (for the purposes of the Code) responsibility for such offtake of gas by itself or any other person whether or not authorised by the Registered User.

## 1.3 Supply Meter Points

- 1.3.1 In accordance with Section A4.1 a Supply Meter Point is an Individual System Exit Point at which gas may (in accordance with the Code) be offtaken from the Total System for the purposes of supply directly to particular premises.
- 1.3.2 A Supply Meter Point may (subject to and in accordance with paragraph 1.7) be included in more than one Supply Point.
- 1.3.3 In accordance with Section M2 a Supply Meter Installation is required to be installed at each Supply Meter Point; but a point may be a Supply Meter Point in accordance with paragraph 1.3.1 notwithstanding that no such installation is installed at such point.
- 1.3.4 Pursuant to this Section G, a Supply Meter Point which has not been Isolated will at all times be included in at least one Supply Point.
- 1.3.5 Paragraph 7.3 sets out the basis on which a New Supply Meter Point may be established.

## 1.4 Single Premises Requirement

- 1.4.1 A Supply Point must comply with the Single Premises Requirement.
- 1.4.2 The "**Single Premises Requirement**" is the requirement that where more than one Supply Meter Point is comprised in a Supply Point, gas offtaken from the Total System at all of such Supply Meter Points is to be supplied to premises:
  - (a) owned or occupied by one person;
  - (b) in close geographical proximity to each other;
  - (c) comprised within a common curtilage; and
  - (d) which serve each other in some necessary or reasonably useful way.
- 1.4.3 The Registered User shall:
  - (a) take all reasonable steps to ensure that the Single Premises Requirement does not cease to be satisfied in respect of a Supply Point without the Registered User's becoming aware of that fact; and
  - (b) if the Single Premises Requirement shall cease to be satisfied in respect of a Supply Point, as soon as it becomes aware of that fact:
    - (i) promptly so inform the Transporter; and

- (ii) apply (in accordance with paragraph 2) for two or more Supply Point Registrations (in respect of each of which such requirement is satisfied) in respect of the relevant Supply Meter Points.
- 1.4.4 If the Transporter becomes aware that the Single Premises Requirement has ceased to be satisfied in respect of a Supply Point the Transporter will promptly so inform the Registered User.
- 1.4.5 For the purposes of this Section G the premises to which gas offtaken from the Total System at a Supply Point is or is to be supplied are the "**Supply Point Premises**".
- 1.4.6 Following the rejection of a Supply Point Nomination pursuant to paragraph 2.3.6(a):
  - (a) the Proposing User may notify the Transporter that the User considers that the Single Premises Requirement is satisfied in respect of the Proposed Supply Point; and
  - (b) where the User so notifies the Transporter:
    - (i) the User shall at the same time provide its reasons for so considering and supporting evidence; and
    - (ii) the Transporter will consider the reasons and evidence provided by the User and where the Transporter is reasonably satisfied that the Single Premises Requirement is satisfied the Transporter will so inform the User and will not reject (on the grounds in paragraph 2.3.6(a)) a further Supply Point Nomination in respect of the Proposed Supply Point.

## **1.5 Daily Read Metering**

- 1.5.1 Subject to paragraphs 1.5.5, 1.5.6(c) and 1.5.12(c) a Supply Meter Point shall be classified as a DM Supply Meter Point where:
  - (a) the Supply Meter Point is Daily Read in accordance with M1.3.1, or paragraph 1.5.13 applies; and
  - (b) either:
    - (i) the Daily Read Requirement applies; or
    - (ii) an election pursuant to paragraph 1.5.6(c) is in force in relation to such Supply Meter Point.
- 1.5.2 Subject to paragraph 1.5.4, the Daily Read Requirement shall apply in respect of:
  - (a) each relevant Supply Meter Point comprised in any Supply Point whose Annual Quantity is greater than 58,600,000 kWh (*2,000,000 therms*);
  - (b) each relevant Supply Meter Point comprised in an Interruptible Supply Point; and
  - (c) each Supply Meter Point which is an NTS Supply Point.
- 1.5.3 For the purposes of paragraph 1.5.2:

- (a) the "**Daily Read Requirement**" is the requirement that the Supply Meter at a Supply Meter Point shall be Daily Read; and
  - (b) a relevant Supply Meter Point is a Supply Meter Point in respect of which the Annual Quantity is greater than 2,196,000 kWh (*75,000 therms*).
- 1.5.4 If the Transporter determines and notifies the Registered User that it would not be practicable or economic for Supply Meters at a particular Supply Point to be Daily Read, unless upon application (made within 10 Business Days after such notification by the User) the Authority shall give Condition 9(3) Disapproval to the Transporter not installing Daily Read Equipment, the Daily Read Requirement pursuant to paragraph 1.5.3(a) shall not apply, and the Registered User may not make a request under paragraph 1.5.9, in respect of that Supply Point (and for the avoidance of doubt the relevant Supply Meter Points shall be NDM Supply Meter Points).
- 1.5.5 Where:
- (a) a Supply Meter Point is a DM Supply Meter Point; and
  - (b) upon a change in the Annual Quantity of the Supply Meter Point or the Supply Point in which it is comprised, or the Supply Point's ceasing to be an Interruptible Supply Point, the Daily Read Requirement ceases to apply,
- the Supply Meter Point shall not be required to be classified as an NDM Supply Meter Point, and in the absence of any Supply Point Confirmation or Reconfirmation, the Supply Meter Point shall continue to be a DM Supply Meter Point, but without prejudice to the entitlement of the Registered User to make a Supply Point Reconfirmation as an NDM Supply Point (to which paragraph 1.5.6 shall apply).
- 1.5.6 Where a User is, or following a Supply Point Confirmation (including a Reconfirmation) a User becomes, the Registered User of a Supply Meter Point in relation to which the Supply Meter is Daily Read (including pursuant to a request under paragraph 1.5.9), but the Daily Read Requirement does not apply:
- (a) subject to paragraph (c), the Supply Meter Point shall be classified as an NDM Supply Meter Point;
  - (b) except where Daily Read Equipment was installed pursuant to a request under paragraph 1.5.9, the Transporter may at any time (unless at such time the User has made an election under paragraph (c)) inform the User that it wishes to remove the Daily Read Equipment and having given the User reasonable notice, thereof, remove the Daily Read Equipment at its own expense;
  - (c) where the Annual Quantity exceeds 73,200 kWh (*2,500 therms*) the User may elect in accordance with paragraph 1.5.7 that the Supply Meter Point shall be classified as a DM Supply Meter Point.
- 1.5.7 An election for the purposes of paragraph 1.5.6(c):
- (a) shall be made by Nominating the Supply Meter Point as a DM Supply Meter Point:
    - (i) at the time of the Supply Point Confirmation or Reconfirmation referred to in paragraph 1.5.6; or

- (ii) in the case in paragraph 1.5.6(c) only, at any time thereafter, by way of Supply Point Reconfirmation;
  - (b) shall lapse with effect from the Supply Point Registration Date, where the Registered User or any other User submits a Supply Point Confirmation (including a Reconfirmation) which becomes effective in respect of a Supply Point including the relevant Supply Meter Point (and may be revoked accordingly).
- 1.5.8 Upon a change in the Annual Quantity of the Supply Meter Point such that the Annual Quantity becomes less than 73,200 kWh (2,500 therms) the Registered User shall be required to reclassify the Supply Meter Point as an NDM Supply Meter Point within 2 months of the change in Annual Quantity.
- 1.5.9 The Registered User may at any time request (subject to and pursuant to Siteworks Terms and Procedures as described in paragraph 7) that Daily Read Equipment be installed at any Supply Meter Point (other than one whose Annual Quantity does not exceed 73,200 kWh (2,500 therms)).
- 1.5.10 Where a User submits a Supply Point Nomination in respect of a Proposed Supply Point, with a Supply Meter Point, in relation to which the Supply Meter is not Daily Read, as a DM Supply Meter Point, the Transporter shall reject such Supply Point Nomination, unless the User has submitted such Supply Point Nomination in accordance with paragraph 7.3.5 and the New Supply Meter Point has been classified as a DM Supply Meter Point in accordance with paragraph 1.5.13.
- 1.5.11 Subject to paragraph 1.5.4, where (by reason of an increase in the Annual Quantity of a Supply Point or a Supply Meter Point at the start of the Gas Year, or upon a Supply Point being designated as Interruptible) the Daily Read Requirement applies in respect of a Supply Meter Point pursuant to paragraph 1.5.2(a) or 1.5.2(b), but is not satisfied:
- (a) the Transporter will arrange for the satisfaction of such requirement (by installation of Daily Read Equipment at the relevant Supply Meter), as soon as reasonably practicable, and will inform the Registered User when the Daily Read Requirement is satisfied; and the installation for the purposes of this paragraph 1.5.9 of Daily Read Equipment will not be Siteworks; and
  - (b) the relevant date for the purposes of paragraph 1.11.2 shall be the date on which the Supply Meter becomes Daily Read and the period referred to in that paragraph shall be 2 and not 3 months.
- 1.5.12 Where a User submits (pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph 1.5) a Supply Point Nomination (including a Renomination) pursuant to which an NDM Supply Meter Point is to become a DM Supply Meter Point:
- (a) where in relation to any Supply Meter Point to be comprised in the DM Supply Point Component:
    - (i) the Supply Meter was Daily Read during the period of 12 months preceding the date of submission of the Supply Point Nomination; and

- (ii) the Transporter and the User have not agreed that insufficient Valid Meter Readings (in accordance with Section M4) were obtained in the months of October to May in such period of 12 months

the Nominated Supply Point Capacity shall be not less than the Preceding Year Maximum Quantity in accordance with paragraphs 5.2.3 and 5.2.4, but paragraph 5.2.3(b) shall be read as though references to a Supply Meter Point being DM were to the relevant Supply Meter being Daily Read;

- (b) where paragraph (i) does not apply, the Nominated Supply Point Capacity shall not be less than the User's estimate (made in good faith and after all appropriate enquiries of the consumer and on the basis of reasonable skill and care) of the maximum quantity of gas to be offtaken from the Total System at the DM Supply Point Component on any Day in the next 12 months, on the basis of reasonable assumptions as to weather conditions; and
- (c) the Supply Meter Point will become a DM Supply Point with effect from the Supply Point Registration Date.

1.5.13 Without prejudice to the other provisions of paragraph 1.5, a New Supply Meter Point which (pursuant to paragraph 7.3.5) is included in a Supply Point shall be classified as a DM Supply Meter Point, even though the Supply Meter is not Daily Read, where there is a Daily Read Requirement in accordance with paragraph 1.5.2 in respect of the Supply Meter at the Supply Meter Point but for any reason (other than due to an act or omission of the Registered User) Daily Read Equipment is not installed at the Supply Meter, or if installed is not operational in accordance with Section M4.1.7.

## 1.6 Annual Quantity

1.6.1 For the purposes of this paragraph 1.6:

- (a) the "**relevant Gas Year**" is the Gas Year in which the Annual Quantity of a Supply Meter Point is to apply;
- (b) the "**preceding Gas Year**" is the Gas Year ending at the start of the relevant Gas Year;
- (c) the "**AQ Review Date**" is a date which the Transporters determine but shall in any event be no later than 31 May in the preceding Gas Year; and
- (d) the "**User Provisional Annual Quantity**" is the Registered User's determination of what the Provisional Annual Quantity in respect of a Supply Meter Point should be.

1.6.2 For each relevant Gas Year no later than the AQ Review Date the Transporter shall determine the Provisional Annual Quantity in respect of each Supply Meter Point. The "**Provisional Annual Quantity**" shall be either:

- (a) in respect of an NDM Supply Meter Point which has been Isolated at any time during the Relevant Metered Period or for a DM Supply Meter Point which has been Isolated at any time during the period of 12 months ending on the AQ Review Date the Annual Quantity applicable for the preceding Gas Year;

- (b) in respect of a DM Supply Meter Point, where paragraph (a) does not apply, where there are Supply Meter Point Daily Quantities for each Day in the period of 12 months ending on the AQ Review Date, the sum of such Supply Meter Point Daily Quantities;
  - (c) in respect of an NDM Supply Meter Point where paragraph (a) does not apply or where Section H3.2.4 does not apply, the quantity assumed to be offtaken in a period of 12 months, determined in accordance with Section H3; or
  - (d) in respect of a Supply Meter Point where paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) do not apply, the Annual Quantity applicable for the Preceding Year unless the Supply Meter Point is a New Supply Meter Point in which case the Provisional Annual Quantity shall be the estimated quantity provided by the first Registered User in accordance with paragraph 7.3.6.
- 1.6.3 The Transporter shall no later than 31 May in the preceding Gas Year for Smaller Supply Meter Points and 30 June in the preceding Gas Year for Larger Supply Meter Points in respect of each Supply Meter Point notify to the Registered User the Provisional Annual Quantity in respect of the relevant Gas Year and supporting details including:
- (a) the Supply Meter Point Reference Number; and
  - (b) where available, the Meter Readings used by the Transporter to determine the Provisional Annual Quantity.
- 1.6.4 (a) Following the notification of the Provisional Annual Quantity the Registered User may, subject to paragraph 1.6.4(c) and where the provisions of paragraph 1.6.4(b) apply:
- (i) in the case of a Smaller Supply Point where it considers that the Provisional Annual Quantity should be greater or lesser than the Provisional Annual Quantity notified by the Transporter by not less than 20%; or
  - (ii) in respect of any Larger Supply Point
- not later than 13 August in the preceding Gas Year notify the Transporter that it considers that the Provisional Annual Quantity does not satisfy the requirement in paragraph 1.6.6 ("**User Provisional Annual Quantity**").
- (b) The provisions referred to in paragraph 1.6.4(a) are:
    - (i) that the Registered User reasonably considers that the Transporter's calculation of the Provisional Annual Quantity is derived from:
      - (1) Meter Readings that are incorrect or were taken prior to Meter Readings available to the Registered User; or
      - (2) materially incorrect details of the Supply Meter Installation for the relevant Supply Meter Point;
    - (ii) where the Transporter has determined the Provisional Annual Quantity in accordance with paragraph G1.6.2(a) or G1.6.2(d).

- (c) Where, in respect of any Supply Point, the Registered User notifies the Transporter of a User Provisional Annual Quantity in accordance with paragraph 1.6.4(a) the Registered User shall warrant that:
- (i) in reviewing the Provisional Annual Quantity it has applied a methodology that:
    - (1) is consistent to all Supply Points for which it is the Registered User; and
    - (2) does not materially differentiate in its treatment of Supply Points where the User Provisional Annual Quantity may be greater than the Provisional Annual Quantity notified by the Transporter and Supply Points where the User Provisional Annual Quantity may be less than the Provisional Annual Quantity notified by the Transporter; and
  - (ii) it has notified the Transporter of all User Provisional Annual Quantities resulting from the application of the methodology referred to in subparagraph (i) above that satisfy the requirements set out in paragraph 1.6.4.
- (d) The Transporter will be entitled to reject without consideration, notice or liability any notification by a User which does not comply with the requirement in paragraph 1.6.4.
- (e) The limitations upon notification contained in paragraph 1.6.4(a)(i) shall not apply where the User Provisional Annual Quantity will result in a Smaller Supply Point being re-classified as a Larger Supply Point.

1.6.5 When submitting a notification pursuant to paragraph 1.6.4, the Registered User:

- (a) shall specify, evidence as required by the Transporter including:
- (i) the Supply Meter Point Reference Number;
  - (ii) two Meter Readings in accordance with Section H3;
  - (iii) where there has been one or more meter exchanges at the Supply Meter Point, two Meter Readings for each meter exchange which falls within the period between the Meter Read Dates of the two Meter Readings in paragraph (a) (ii); and
  - (iv) the User Provisional Annual Quantity.
- (b) where the Supply Meter Point has a Provisional Annual Quantity of greater than 293,000 kWh (*10,000 therms*), may specify (but shall not be required to specify) in addition to the Meter Readings in paragraph (a)(ii):
- (i) two Meter Readings, for which one of the Meter Read Dates falls within a period from 1 November to 31 December of the preceding Gas Year and the other Meter Read Date falls within a period from 1 March to 30 April of the preceding Gas Year;



- (ii) where there has been one or more meter exchanges at the Supply Meter Point, two Meter Readings for each meter exchange which falls within the period between the Meter Read Dates of the two Meter Readings in paragraph (b)(i); and
  - (iii) an estimate of the quantity offtaken derived from the two Meter Readings in paragraph (b)(i); and
- (c) shall record evidence (and shall make such evidence available for inspection where reasonably requested) to support the applicable provision of paragraph 1.6.4(b) and the warranty given pursuant to paragraph 1.6.4(c)

and if the Registered User fails to comply with this paragraph then the notification pursuant to paragraph 1.6.4 will be rejected and the Registered User shall be notified of such rejection.

- 1.6.6 The requirement referred to in paragraph 1.6.4 is that the Provisional Annual Quantity, User Provisional Annual Quantity or Annual Quantity of a Supply Meter Point should represent reasonable assumption(s) as to the quantity offtaken (or, in the case of a New Supply Meter Point or a Supply Meter Point notified to the Transporter under paragraph 1.6.13(a)(ii), which would have been offtaken) from the Total System in the period of 12 months by reference to which the Provisional Annual Quantity, User Provisional Annual Quantity and the Annual Quantity is determined. The variable that determines the End User Category of the Supply Point should reflect reasonable assumptions as to the quantity offtaken from the Total System during the period from 1 December to 31st March in the preceding Gas Year.
- 1.6.7 The "**Annual Quantity**" of a Supply Meter Point shall be either:
- (a) where following a notification under paragraph 1.6.4 the Transporter considers that the requirement in paragraph 1.6.6 is satisfied the User Provisional Annual Quantity; or
  - (b) where paragraph (a) does not apply, the Provisional Annual Quantity.
- 1.6.8 The "**Annual Quantity**" of a Supply Point or a Supply Point Component is the sum of the Annual Quantities for each Supply Meter Point comprised in that Supply Point or Supply Point Component.
- 1.6.9 Subject to paragraph 1.6.2, where a DM Supply Meter Point becomes an NDM Supply Meter Point or an NDM Supply Meter Point becomes a DM Supply Meter Point the Annual Quantity of the Supply Meter Point shall not be affected by a change in its status to NDM or DM.
- 1.6.10 Subject to paragraph 1.6.2, where a Supply Meter Point is Isolated the Annual Quantity for that Supply Meter Point shall remain unchanged.
- 1.6.11 For the purposes of this paragraph 1.6.11, the "**Effective Period**" shall mean the Gas Year excluding the period of time commencing from and including 1 August until and including 14 September. Where a Supply Point Confirmation made in respect of a Larger Supply Point becomes or will become effective during the Effective Period the Proposing User may during the Effective Period but not later than 23 Business Days after the Supply Point Registration Date nor more than 7 Business Days earlier, notify

the Transporter that the Proposing User considers the Annual Quantity of a Supply Meter Point or (as the case may be) variable that determines the End User Category of the Supply Point (pursuant to Section H 1.2), comprised in the Proposed Supply Point fails to satisfy the requirement in paragraph 1.6.6 and shall have the right to appeal the Annual Quantity under paragraph 1.6.13(a)(i).

- 1.6.12 The Transporter shall not later than 14 September in the preceding Gas Year notify to the Registered User the Annual Quantity for each Supply Meter Point for the relevant Gas Year and the applicable End User Category (where appropriate) in respect of each Supply Point.
- 1.6.13 Where following the notification of the Annual Quantity further to paragraph 1.6.12:
- (a) in respect of any Larger Supply Meter Point, the Registered User may not later than 31 July of the relevant Gas Year (or in the case of Larger Supply Meter Points under paragraph 1.6.11, 23 Business Days after the Supply Point Registration Date during the Effective Period) notify the Transporter that the Registered User considers that the Annual Quantity of that Supply Meter Point fails to satisfy the requirement in paragraph 1.6.6 either:
    - (i) on the basis of substantial evidence as to the actual consumption of gas;  
or
    - (ii) because of a change in the Consumer's Plant which results in a change in the basis on which gas is consumed;
  - (b) notwithstanding the Registered User's right to appeal in paragraph (a), in respect of any Larger Supply Meter Point, the Registered User may not later than 31 July in the relevant Gas Year notify the Transporter that the Registered User considers that the Annual Quantity of a Supply Meter Point fails to satisfy the requirement in paragraph 1.6.6 provided that the Registered User may only so notify the Transporter in the case of:
    - (i) a Larger Supply Meter Point where the Registered User's reasonable estimate of the Annual Quantity, is equal to or less than 50% of the Annual Quantity or is equal to or greater than 200% of the Annual Quantity; and
    - (ii) a Smaller Supply Meter Point, where the User considers that it should be a Larger Supply Meter Point;
  - (c) where a Registered User so notifies the Transporter:
    - (i) pursuant to paragraph (a)(i) or paragraph (b) and the Registered User shall with such notice provide to the Transporter details as set out in paragraph 1.6.5 together with the Registered User's reasons or evidence for its view and a reasonable estimate of the quantity or (as the case may be) value which the Registered User considers should be the Annual Quantity or such variable of such Supply Meter Point;
    - (ii) pursuant to paragraph (a)(ii) the Registered User shall with such notice provide to the Transporter in a format specified by the Transporter details of the Registered User's reasons or evidence for its view and a

reasonable estimate of the quantity or (as the case may be) value which the Registered User considers should be the Annual Quantity or such variable of such Supply Meter Point;

- (d) the Transporter will consider the details provided by the Registered User under paragraph (c), and where it is satisfied that the Annual Quantity or such variable notified to the Registered User pursuant to paragraph 1.6.12 fails to satisfy the requirement in paragraph 1.6.6 and that estimate of the Annual Quantity provided by the Registered User satisfies the requirement in paragraph 1.6.6, then the Transporter shall substitute the Annual Quantity with that estimate of the Annual Quantity (subject to paragraph 1.6.15 or (as the case may be) variable for the relevant Gas Year).

1.6.14 Where the Transporter agrees to revise the Annual Quantity or End User Category under paragraph 1.6.13(d) or paragraph 1.6.17:

- (a) the Registered User may submit a Supply Point Reconfirmation (in accordance with paragraph 2.2.5) in respect of the relevant Supply Point on the basis of the revised Annual Quantity or End User Category;
- (b) with effect from the Supply Point Registration Date in respect of such Supply Point Reconfirmation, Supply Point Transportation Charges, UDQOs and Energy Balancing Charges (so far as to be determined by reference to or directly or indirectly a function of Annual Quantity or End User Category) shall be determined by reference to the revised Annual Quantity or End User Category;
- (c) no adjustment, revision or redetermination in respect of any such Supply Point Transportation Charge, UDQO and Energy Balancing Charge in respect of or accruing in respect of any Day before the Supply Point Registration Date will be made, it being agreed that such amounts and charges will be determined (and, in the case of charges, payable) by reference to the Annual Quantity and End User Category notified by the Transporter pursuant to the foregoing provisions of this paragraph 1.6 unless and until any revision is made pursuant to paragraph (a).

1.6.15 Where the Transporter notifies any Registered User of that Supply Meter Point in the relevant Gas Year that a material error has been made in the calculation of any such Annual Quantities or any variables, the Transporter and the User concerned will discuss in good faith the manner in which and time at which such error may be corrected, having regard in particular to the need to ensure that the Registered User continues to enjoy the benefit (in relation to the corrected Annual Quantity) of this paragraph 1.6.

1.6.16 A User which is the Registered User of a Smaller Supply Meter Point, in relation to which the Supply Point Premises are premises in respect of which the conditions of Condition 22 of the Supplier's Licence are satisfied, may make an election for the purposes of this paragraph by submitting to the Transporter at any time a notice of such election.

1.6.17 Where a Registered User makes an election pursuant to paragraph 1.6.16, the Supply Meter Point shall be a Larger Supply Meter Point and the Transporter shall agree to revise the Annual Quantity pursuant to paragraph 1.6.14.

- 1.6.18 The Transporters shall publish, by the dates specified in paragraph 1.6.20, a report containing the following information in respect of each User (on a non attributable basis):
- (a) in aggregate across all End User Categories:
    - (i) the number of applications made by the User during the User AQ Review Period (in accordance with paragraph 1.6.4) for an increase in the Provisional Annual Quantity and for a decrease in the Provisional Annual Quantity;
    - (ii) the number of such successful applications made by the User during the User AQ Review Period (in accordance with paragraph 1.6.7) that resulted in a User Provisional Annual Quantity shown by the resulting increase and decrease in comparison to the Provisional Annual Quantity;
    - (iii) the number of Speculative Calculation enquiries made by the User during the preceding Gas Year;
  - (b) by each End User Category:
    - (i) the number of Supply Meter Points where the Annual Quantity has increased or decreased as a result of the successful applications referred to in (a)(ii) shown as a percentage of the total number of Supply Meter Points in that End User Category;
    - (ii) the change to the Annual Quantity in aggregate (expressed in kWh) that has occurred due to the increases or decreases as a result of the successful applications referred to in (a)(ii);
    - (iii) the number of Supply Points that have moved from one End User Category to another End User Category as result of the successful applications referred to in (a)(ii);
  - (c) by each LDZ, the number of such successful applications made by the User during the User AQ Review Period (in accordance with paragraph 1.6.7) that resulted in a User Provisional Annual Quantity shown by the resulting increase and decrease in comparison to the Provisional Annual Quantity.
- 1.6.19 For the purposes of paragraph 1.6.18:
- (a) **“User AQ Review Period”** is the period during which the User may apply for a User Provisional Annual Quantity in accordance with 1.6.4(a), commencing on the AQ Review Date and ending on the 13 August in the preceding Gas Year;
  - (b) **“Speculative Calculation”** means an estimate of the Annual Quantity of a Supply Point derived by the User, using relevant Meter Reads for the Supply Point and the speculative calculator tool which is available for use within UK Link.
- 1.6.20 The dates for the publication of the information to be contained in the report in accordance with paragraph 1.6.18 shall be in the case of:

- (a) paragraph 1.6.18(a) and (b), by no later than:
  - (i) 1 July, in respect of Smaller Supply Meter Points on an interim basis;
  - (ii) 1 August, in respect of Larger Supply Meter Points on an interim basis;  
and
  - (iii) 1 November in respect of all Supply Meter Points on a final basis;in each case in the relevant Gas Year.
- (b) paragraph 1.6.18(c), by no later than 1 November in the relevant Gas Year, in respect of all Supply Meter Points on a final basis.

## 1.7 Shared Supply Meter Points

1.7.1 Subject to and in accordance with this paragraph 1.7, a DM Supply Meter Point may be comprised in more than one Supply Point if the Registered Users in respect of such Supply Meter Point have submitted to the Transporter a notification confirming that they wish to be sharing Registered Users and specifying (in accordance with paragraph 1.7.6) the basis on which the quantity of gas offtaken each Day from the Supply Meter Point(s) comprised in such Supply Points is to be apportioned between such Users.

1.7.2 For the purposes of the Code:

- (a) a "**Shared Supply Meter Point**" is a Supply Meter Point which is pursuant to this paragraph 1.7 comprised in more than one Supply Point;
- (b) "**Sharing Registered Users**" are the Users which are the Registered Users of a Shared Supply Meter Point;
- (c) a "**Shared Supply Meter Point Notification**" is a notification given for the purposes of paragraph 1.7.1;
- (d) "**Shared Supply Meter Point Procedures**" are procedures established by the Transporter pursuant to paragraph 1.7.16

and for the purposes of this paragraph 1.7 a "**relevant**" Supply Point or DM Supply Point Component is a Supply Point or DM Supply Point Component which includes a Shared Supply Meter Point.

1.7.3 Paragraph 1.7.1 applies only in respect of:

- (a) a Supply Meter Point which at 1 March 1996 was comprised in more than one Supply Point; or
- (b) a Supply Meter Point in relation to which the following conditions are satisfied:
  - (i) the Supply Meter Point is not part of a Sub-deduct Arrangement;
  - (ii) the aggregate of the Annual Quantities of the Supply Meter Point and each other Supply Meter Point comprised in each relevant Supply Point exceeds 58,600,000 kWh (2,000,000 therms);

- (iii) there is no NDM Supply Point Component of any relevant Supply Point; and
  - (iv) every other Supply Meter Point comprised in any relevant Supply Point is also a Shared Supply Meter Point subject to the same basis of apportionment.
- 1.7.4 Where there is a Shared Supply Meter Point the Single Premises Requirement shall apply to each of the relevant Supply Points (and accordingly the Supply Point Premises shall be the same for each such Supply Point).
- 1.7.5 A Shared Supply Meter Point may be comprised in a Firm Supply Point and in an Interruptible Supply Point; and a User may elect (by giving a Shared Supply Meter Point Notification subject to and in accordance with this paragraph 1.7) that a Supply Meter Point of which the User is Registered User shall be comprised both in a Firm Supply Point and in an Interruptible Supply Point of each of which the User is Registered User (and accordingly to be treated as two Sharing Registered Users).
- 1.7.6 A Shared Supply Meter Point Notification may provide for the allocation of gas offtaken at the Shared Supply Meter Point(s) to be determined each Day:
- (a) by the Transporter, under standing instructions notified to the Transporter in advance by the Sharing Registered Users, in accordance with paragraph 1.7.7;
  - (b) by a person appointed as User Agent on behalf of each Sharing Registered User, in accordance with paragraph 1.7.8.
- 1.7.7 A Shared Supply Meter Point Notification under paragraph 1.7.6(a) shall provide for allocation between the Sharing Registered Users either;
- (a) in tranches, in other words on the basis that the quantity of gas offtaken each Day which:
    - (i) does not exceed an amount;
    - (ii) exceeds an amount but does not exceed a higher amount; or
    - (iii) exceeds an amount

in each case specified in the Shared Supply Meter Point Notification, is to be allocated to one of such Users, provided that such amounts shall be specified so that the whole quantity of gas offtaken each Day shall be allocated to one or more of such Users; or
  - (b) if none of the Supply Points in which the Shared Supply Meter Point is comprised is Interruptible, in percentages (aggregating 100%) specified in such notification.
- 1.7.8 A Shared Supply Meter Point Notification under paragraph 1.7.6(b) shall provide for the appointment (with effect from a single date) of one person (a "**Sharing Registered User Agent**") as User Agent by all Sharing Registered Users for the purposes of:

- (a) informing the Transporter of the portions of the Supply Meter Point Daily Quantity to be allocated to each of them in respect of each Day and for the purpose of paragraph 1.7.9; and
- (b) complying with all Partial Interruption Rules and other provisions of paragraph 6.10 on behalf of all of the Sharing Registered Users.

1.7.9 Where a Shared Supply Meter Point Notification provides for the appointment of a Sharing Registered User Agent:

- (a) the Transporter will notify the Supply Meter Point Daily Quantity to the User Agent not later than the specified time on the Day following the Gas Flow Day and (where such quantity is pursuant to any provision of the Code to be revised) may notify a revision of the quantity so notified to the User Agent not later than the specified time on the Exit Close Out Date;
- (b) if, by the specified time on the Day following the Gas Flow Day, and (where the Transporter notifies a revision of the Supply Meter Point Daily Quantity to the User Agent) by the specified time on the Day on which the Transporter notifies such revision, the User Agent has notified to the Transporter amounts, aggregating the Supply Meter Point Daily Quantity (as revised at the relevant time), to be allocated to the Sharing Registered Users:
  - (i) the amounts so notified may be revised (provided they continue to aggregate the Supply Meter Point Daily Quantity, as revised at the relevant time) by the User Agent at any time before the specified time on the Exit Close Out Day;
  - (ii) the Supply Meter Point Daily Quantity shall be allocated between the Sharing Registered Users in the amounts so notified or such revised amounts so notified not later than the specified time on the Exit Close Out Day;
- (c) if, by the specified time on the Day following the Gas Flow Day, or by the specified time on any Day on which the Transporter notifies to the User Agent any revision of the Supply Meter Point Daily Quantity, the User Agent has not so notified to the Transporter such amounts, the Supply Meter Point Daily Quantity shall be allocated between the Sharing Registered Users:
  - (i) in proportion to the Nominated Quantities under the Users' Output Nominations for the relevant DM Supply Point Components for the Day or (if such Nominated Quantity is zero for each such User) in proportion to the Registered Supply Point Capacities at each such DM Supply Point Component; or
  - (ii) if the User Agent shall have notified the Transporter (not less than 15 Days before the Gas Flow Day) of proportions aggregating unity for the purposes of allocation in the circumstances contemplated in this paragraph (c) , in such proportions

provided that if the Transporter is reasonably satisfied that such omission of the User Agent resulted from an administrative error (by the agent) of an infrequent nature, the Transporter may permit the User Agent to submit (by such time, not

later than the specified time, on the Exit Close Out Day as the Transporter may require) a late notification or revised notification for the purposes of paragraph (b);

- (d) such of the Code Communications which may be given under paragraphs 2, 3 and 4 as are specified in the Shared Supply Meter Point Procedures:
  - (i) if to be given by the Transporter may be given to the User Agent;
  - (ii) if to be given by a User (other than a User who is not for the time being a Sharing Registered User) may only be given by the User Agent; and
- (e) if the Supply Meter Point Daily Quantity is allocated pursuant to paragraph (c) in respect of more than 12 Days in any Gas Year, the charges payable pursuant to paragraph 1.7.18 in respect of that Gas Year by the Sharing Registered Users shall be determined (in accordance with the Transportation Statement) as though the Shared Supply Meter Point Notification were under paragraph 1.7.6(a).

#### 1.7.10 A Shared Supply Meter Point Notification:

- (a) shall be submitted and signed by each of the Users proposed to be Sharing Registered Users (but may be submitted in separate but identical counterparts provided such counterparts are submitted simultaneously);
- (b) shall specify:
  - (i) the identity of each of such Users and relevant Supply Meter Point Reference Numbers(s);
  - (ii) the date, not earlier than 2 months (or such lesser period as the Transporter may specify in the Shared Supply Meter Point Procedures) after the notification is submitted, with effect from which such notification is to take effect;
  - (iii) (but without prejudice to the terms on which Users may apply for or increase or reduce Supply Point Capacity) the Supply Point Capacity which is intended that (following such notification) each Sharing Registered User should hold at the DM Supply Point Components which include Shared Supply Meter Points;
  - (iv) where a Shared Supply Meter Point Notification provides for the appointment of a Sharing Registered User Agent a default allocation methodology for the apportionment of Reconciliation Quantity among Existing Shared Registered Users in percentages (aggregating 100%) ("**Default Allocation Methodology**"); and
  - (v) if an application for Partial Interruption status in accordance with paragraph 6.10.2 is being made;
- (c) shall be conditional upon a Supply Point Confirmation, for a Proposed Supply Point Registration Date which is the same as the proposed effective date of such notification, being submitted at least 20 Business Days prior to the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date:



- (i) by any User proposed in such notification to be a Sharing Registered User who is not already a Registered User of the relevant Supply Meter Point;
- (ii) by at least one of the Users proposed in such notification to be a Sharing Registered User, if any Existing Registered User is not proposed (in such notification) to be a Sharing Registered User

and becoming effective (an Existing Registered User accordingly being taken to have consented to such notification if no Supply Point Objection is submitted by it);

- (d) may not be withdrawn unless another such notification is submitted by all the Sharing Registered Users to take effect from such withdrawal;
- (e) may not be modified other than by notification:
  - (i) signed by each of the Sharing Registered Users and any new Sharing Registered User;
  - (ii) specifying the modification;
  - (iii) given not later than 2 months (or such lesser period as the Transporter may specify in the Shared Supply Meter Point Procedures) before the modification is required to take effect provided that no such modification shall be made with effect from a date less than 30 days after the preceding such modification; and
  - (iv) specifying (but without prejudice to the terms on which Users may apply for or increase or reduce Supply Point Capacity) the Supply Point Capacity which it is intended that (following such modification) each Sharing Registered User should hold at the DM Supply Point Components which include the Shared Supply Meter Point; and
- (f) shall take effect, where the Shared Supply Meter Point Procedures require it to take effect, as a Supply Point Nomination made by each of the Sharing Registered Users.

1.7.11 A Supply Point Confirmation (other than a Supply Point Reconfirmation) in respect of a Proposed Supply Point which includes a Shared Supply Meter Point will be rejected unless the requirements of this paragraph 1.7 are complied with.

1.7.12 In the case of a Shared Supply Meter Point which is comprised in relevant Supply Points of which at least one is Firm and one Interruptible (whether the Registered Users are the same or different Users), where an Interruption Notice was given:

- (a) in relation to any Day for which the requirement for Interruption applied for the whole of such Day:
  - (i) the requirement in paragraph 6.7.2(b) shall be treated as not complied with if and only if, in the case of Partial Interruption the requirement referred to in paragraph 6.10.4(b) is not satisfied and in any other case, the aggregate quantity of gas offtaken from the Total System on such Day by all Sharing Registered Users at the Shared Supply Meter Point

exceeds the Supply Point Capacity (or aggregate such capacity), held by the Registered User(s) at relevant Firm DM Supply Point Components;

- (ii) accordingly, the allocation of the gas offtaken at the Shared Supply Meter Point shall not be such that the UDQO (or sum of the UDQOs) in respect of the Firm Supply Point Component(s) exceeds the Supply Point Capacity (or aggregate such capacity), other than capacity which is so excluded, held by the Registered User(s) at such Firm Supply Point Component(s), and any gas which would otherwise be allocated to the Registered User of a relevant Firm Supply Point shall be (and shall be deemed to be) allocated to the Registered User(s) of the relevant Interruptible Supply Point(s);
  - (iii) if there is more than one relevant Interruptible Supply Point and the basis of allocation pursuant to paragraph 1.7.6 does not result in compliance with paragraphs (i) and (ii) and the allocation of the whole of the Supply Meter Point Daily Quantity:
    - (1) the gas which falls (pursuant to paragraph (ii)) to be allocated to the Registered Users of the relevant Interruptible Supply Points shall be allocated to them in proportion to the Nominated Quantities under such Users' Output Nominations for the relevant DM Supply Point Components for the Day or (if such Nominated Quantity is zero for each such User) in proportion to the Registered Supply Point Capacities at each such DM Supply Point Component;
    - (2) the identity of the User(s) who failed to secure compliance with the requirement in paragraph 6.7.2(b) shall be established in accordance with paragraph (1);
  - (iv) any conflicting allocation determined under paragraph 1.7.7 or notified under paragraph 1.7.8 shall be disregarded to the extent of the conflict;
- (b) in relation to any Day for which the requirement for Interruption applied for a part only of such Day:
- (i) the requirement in paragraph 6.7.2(b) shall be treated as not complied with if the aggregate rate of offtake at any time (while such requirement applied) exceeds the aggregate of the Supply Point Offtake Rates in respect of relevant Firm DM Supply Point Components; and
  - (ii) where there is more than one relevant Interruptible Supply Point, each of the Sharing Registered Users of the Interruptible Supply Points shall be treated as having failed to secure compliance with such requirement;
- (c) in relation to any Day for which the requirement for Interruption applied (whether for the whole or any part of such Day) and the requirement in paragraph 6.7.2(b) was not complied with, each of the Sharing Registered Users of the Interruptible Supply Points shall be responsible for payment of the aggregate of the charges, in respect of all the Interruptible Supply Points in which such Shared Supply Meter Point is comprised (irrespective of the Supply

Point at which the failure occurred), arising as a result of such failure, in the same proportion as its allocation pursuant to paragraph 1.7.9(c).

1.7.13 Subject to Section M1.7.2, the liability of the Sharing Registered Users in respect of a Shared Supply Meter Point for obligations under the Code shall be several:

- (a) in the proportions in which they hold Supply Point Capacity at the DM Supply Point Components which include such Supply Meter Point; or
- (b) if a Sharing Registered User Agent has notified (but so that paragraph 1.7.10(b)(ii) and (e)(iii) shall be deemed to apply to such notification) to the Transporter proportions (aggregating unity) for the purposes of this paragraph 1.7.13, in such proportions

except in the case of any such obligation which is not capable of being so divided, in which case the liability of the Sharing Registered Users shall be joint.

1.7.14 Where the rate of any Supply Point Transportation Charge is a function of Supply Point Capacity, the rate of such charge payable by a Sharing Registered User shall be determined on the basis of:

- (a) the aggregate of the Supply Point Capacities held by each Sharing Registered User at the relevant Firm DM Supply Point Components; and
- (b) the aggregate of the Supply Point Capacities held by each Sharing Registered User at the relevant Interruptible DM Supply Point Components or the aggregate of the Bottom-Stop Supply Point Capacities held by each Sharing Registered User at the relevant Interruptible DM Supply Point Components, whichever is the lesser.

1.7.15 The whole of the Annual Quantity of a Shared Supply Meter Point shall be counted (without any apportionment) in determining the Annual Quantity of each relevant Supply Point and relevant DM Supply Point Component.

1.7.16 For the purposes of this paragraph 1.7:

- (a) the Transporter will, after consultation with Users, prepare and from time to time revise (subject to prior approval by Panel Majority of the Uniform Network Code Committee) and publish reasonable procedures to apply in respect of Shared Supply Meter Points;
- (b) Sharing Registered Users shall comply and (in the case of a Sharing Registered User Agent) procure that such User Agent complies with such procedures;
- (c) the procedures may specify the form of Shared Supply Meter Point Notifications;
- (d) the procedures may provide that, where a person appointed as User Agent by all of the Sharing Registered Users submits on their behalf all of the Code Communications required to notify and give effect to a modification to a Shared Supply Meter Point Notification, the period of notice required under paragraph 1.7.10(e)(iii) shall be less than would otherwise be required;

- (e) in relation to any provision of paragraph 1.7.9, the specified time is the time specified (in relation to such provision) in such procedures; and
  - (f) the procedures shall specify that the Sharing Registered User Agent may vary the Default Allocation Methodology in accordance with paragraph 1.7.10(e).
- 1.7.17 All Code Communications made pursuant to paragraphs 1 to 3 of this Section G relating to a Supply Meter Point which is a Shared Supply Meter Point, or (with effect from such time as is specified in the Shared Supply Meter Point Procedures) is subject to a Shared Supply Meter Point Notification which has not yet become effective, shall be given as Conventional Notices.
- 1.7.18 Sharing Registered Users shall pay charges in respect of Shared Supply Meter Point Notifications in accordance with the prevailing Transportation Statement.
- 1.7.19 Where a Sharing Registered User submits a Supply Point Withdrawal which becomes effective pursuant to paragraph 3.2.4:
- (a) where only one of the Sharing Registered Users remains the Registered User of the Shared Supply Meter Point:
    - (i) it shall cease to be a Shared Supply Meter Point with effect from the effective date of the withdrawal (and with effect therefrom all gas offtaken at such point shall be allocated to the remaining Registered User);
    - (ii) partial interruption status at such Supply Point shall transfer to such remaining Registered User;
  - (b) where more than one of the Sharing Registered Users remain Registered Users of the Shared Supply Meter Point:
    - (i) in the case of a Shared Supply Meter Point Notification under paragraph 1.7.6(a), such notification shall be deemed to have been modified (with effect from the effective date of the withdrawal, but subject to any intervening modification made by the remaining Sharing Registered Users) as follows:
      - (1) where the notification provides for allocation under paragraph 1.7.7(a), the upper and lower limits of any higher tranche of any remaining Sharing Registered Users shall be reduced by the amount of the tranche associated with the Withdrawing User, or where the tranche of the Withdrawing User was the tranche within paragraph 1.7.7(a)(iii), the highest tranche of any remaining Sharing Registered User shall cease to have an upper limit and shall become the tranche within paragraph 1.7.7(a)(iii) (a higher tranche being a tranche having a lower limit not less than the upper limit of the Withdrawing User, and the highest tranche being the tranche having the highest upper limit);

- (2) where the notification provides for allocation under paragraph 1.7.7(b), the percentages of the remaining Sharing Registered Users shall be increased pro rata so as to aggregate 100%;
  - (ii) in the case of a Shared Supply Meter Point Notification under paragraph 1.7.6(b), no quantity may be allocated by the Sharing Registered User Agent to the Withdrawing User on or after the effective date of the withdrawal;
- 1.7.20 Where the Transporter has given Termination Notice (under Section V4) to a User which was a Sharing Registered User, such User shall be deemed to have submitted a Supply Point Withdrawal for the purposes of paragraphs 1.7.19(a) and (b).
- 1.7.21 Where there is Partial Interruption status at a Supply Point which comprises a Shared Supply Meter Point and where there is Shared Supply Meter Point Notification which proposes to change the number or identity of any Sharing Registered Users, or a Supply Point Withdrawal, such Partial Interruption status shall be revoked upon the date such Shared Supply Meter Point Notification or Supply Point Withdrawal is approved but the Sharing Registered User Agent may re-apply for Partial Interruption in accordance with paragraph 6.10.14.

## 1.8 Sub-deduct Arrangements

- 1.8.1 For the purposes of the Code:
- (a) a "**Sub-deduct Arrangement**" is an arrangement of pipes and meters, installed before 1 March 1996, which National Grid recognised on such date as being such an arrangement, by which a part of the gas which is conveyed by a System to premises for the purposes of supply to those premises, is further conveyed to other premises for the purposes of supply to those other premises;
  - (b) the System Point at which a meter comprised in the Sub-deduct Arrangement is installed, and upstream of which no other meter comprised in such arrangement is installed, shall be a Supply Meter Point (the "**Primary Supply Meter Point**");
  - (c) the Primary Supply Meter Point is not a Connected System Exit Point;
  - (d) the gas conveyed in a Sub-deduct Arrangement may be conveyed:
    - (i) by a person (other than the Transporter) exempted pursuant to but subject to the conditions of any order under Section 6A of the Act granting exemption from paragraph (a) of Section 5(1) of the Act, in which case (irrespective of whether such conditions are complied with) the Sub-deduct Arrangement does not form part of a System;
    - (ii) by the Transporter, in which case the Sub-deduct Arrangement forms a part of a System; and
  - (e) in a Sub-deduct Arrangement:

- (i) each of the meters referred to in paragraph (a) (other than a check meter in accordance with paragraph (iii)) and the Supply Meter installed at the Primary Supply Meter Point, is a "**relevant meter**";
- (ii) a relevant meter (meter 'B') is "**dependent**" on another (meter 'A') where meter B is downstream of meter A and there is no relevant meter between meter A and meter B;
- (iii) a meter is a check meter where all gas which flows through the meter also flows through one or more meters (in such arrangement) downstream of that meter.

1.8.2 Where a Sub-deduct Arrangement forms part of a System:

- (a) each of the points in the Sub-deduct Arrangement at which gas is offtaken from the Total System for the purposes of supply to premises is a Supply Meter Point; and
- (b) the point of offtake for each such Supply Meter Point shall be the point determined as the point of offtake in accordance with Section J3.7.1, and title and risk in gas offtaken from the Total System shall pass accordingly.

1.8.3 Where a Sub-deduct Arrangement does not form part of a System:

- (a) for the further purposes of this paragraph 1.8, the Primary Supply Meter Point shall be treated (for the purposes of the Code, but subject to paragraphs (b) and (d)) as being a number of Supply Meter Points each of which shall be associated with one relevant meter and so identified (by a unique reference) in the Supply Point Register;
- (b) the point of offtake in respect of each such Supply Meter Point shall be the point of offtake in accordance with Section J3.7.1 in respect of the Primary Supply Meter Point, and title and risk in gas offtaken from the Total System shall pass accordingly; and (for the purposes of Section J) the provisions of paragraph 1.8.5 and of Section G shall have effect for the purposes of determining which Users are offtaking gas from the Total System at that point, and in what proportions;
- (c) none of such Supply Meter Points shall be treated as being a Shared Supply Meter Point; and
- (d) no provision of this paragraph 1.8, nor the fact that the Supply Point Register records details in respect of the Supply Meter Points which are (pursuant to paragraph (a)) treated as existing at the Primary Supply Meter Point, shall be taken to imply that any User has arranged with the Transporter for the conveyance of gas beyond the Primary Supply Meter Point.

1.8.4 Where there is a Sub-deduct Arrangement:

- (a) each of the Supply Meter Points (including the Primary Supply Meter Point) referred to in paragraph 1.8.2(a), or (as the case may be) treated as existing in accordance with paragraph 1.8.3(a), is a "**Sub-deduct Supply Meter Point**";

- (b) each relevant meter shall for the purposes of Section M2 be treated as a Supply Meter (a "**Sub-deduct Supply Meter**") provided by the Transporter; provided that:
- (i) the same person must be appointed as Meter Reader in respect of all Non-Daily Read Sub-deduct Supply Meters in a particular Sub-deduct Arrangement;
  - (ii) the Meter Reading Frequency in respect of each Non-Daily Read Sub-deduct Supply Meter shall be the Meter Reading Frequency of the primary Non-Daily Read NDM Sub-deduct Supply Meter;
  - (iii) where reasonably practicable, the Meter Reads for all Non-Daily Read Sub-deduct Supply Meters shall be undertaken on the same Day as a Meter Read in relation to the primary Non-Daily Read Sub-deduct Supply Meter; and a Meter Reading in respect of any Non-Daily Read Sub-deduct Supply Meter shall not be a Valid Meter Reading unless Meter Reads were undertaken for all Non-Daily Read Sub-deduct Supply Meters within a period of 5 Business Days commencing on the Day 2 Business Days before the Day of a Meter Read in relation to the primary Non-Daily Read Sub-deduct Supply Meter;
  - (iv) where the Transporter is the person appointed (pursuant to paragraph (i)) as Meter Reader, the Transporter agrees that its charges to Registered Users for Meter Reads at Non-Daily Read Sub-deduct Supply Meters (other than the primary such meter) will not be increased if the Meter Reading Frequency under paragraph (ii) is greater than that which would otherwise be required under Section M.3;
- (c) for the purposes of paragraph (b) the primary Non-Daily Read Sub-deduct Supply Meter is the Non-daily Read Sub-deduct Supply Meter which is furthest upstream in the Sub-deduct Arrangement (and for the avoidance of doubt may be the relevant meter at the Primary Supply Meter Point);
- (d) each Sub-deduct Supply Meter Point shall have a separate Annual Quantity, and may be the subject of separate Supply Point Nominations and/or Supply Point Confirmations and may be comprised in a separate Supply Point;
- (e) the details in the Supply Point Register will reflect the premises at which each Sub-deduct Supply Meter is actually located, and (in the case of a Sub-deduct Arrangement which forms part of a System) the Single Premises Requirement will apply accordingly; and
- (f) the Registered User of a Supply Point which includes a Sub-deduct Supply Meter Point is a "**Sub-deduct Registered User**".

1.8.5 Upon any Meter Reads in respect of the relevant meters in a Sub-deduct Arrangement:

- (a) in respect of each Sub-deduct Supply Meter there shall be attributed to the Sub-deduct Registered User a volume (the "**Sub-deduct Volume**") determined as the Metered Volume in respect of the associated relevant meter less the sum of the Metered Volumes for all dependent relevant meters;

- (b) the Metered Quantity determined in respect of each Sub-deduct Supply Meter in accordance with Section M1.4.4 will be determined on the basis of the Sub-deduct Volume.

1.8.6 In the case of a Sub-deduct Arrangement which forms part of a System, the Transporter reserves the right at its cost to undertake works to extend the relevant System by laying additional pipes so as to cause any Sub-deduct Supply Meter Point to cease to be comprised in the relevant Sub-deduct Arrangement; provided that the Transporter will not undertake such works without first obtaining the consent (not to be unreasonably withheld) of the Registered User of each Supply Point affected thereby and in undertaking such works will endeavour to minimise the disruption to the offtake of gas from the relevant System at such Supply Points (but subject thereto will not be in breach of its obligation to make gas available for offtake from the Total System by reason of the carrying out of such works).

1.8.7 Where, in relation to any relevant meter which is Daily Read, there is any dependent meter which is not Daily Read, the Supply Meter Point shall (notwithstanding that such meter is Daily Read and notwithstanding any other provision of the Code), unless otherwise agreed between the Transporter and the Registered User, be an NDM Supply Meter Point.

## 1.9 Supply Point Register

1.9.1 Each Transporter has established and (without prejudice to paragraph 1.9.8) will maintain a register ("**Supply Point Register**") of all Supply Meter Points, Supply Points and Supply Point Premises located on a System(s) operated by the Transporter.

1.9.2 In the Supply Point Register:

- (a) each Supply Meter Point will be identified by a unique number (the "**Supply Meter Point Reference Number**") assigned with effect from 1 March 1996 or in the case of a new Supply Meter Point the date on which the Supply Meter Point is entered in the register in accordance with paragraph 7.3.1;
- (b) for each Supply Meter Point:
  - (i) the post code ("**Meter Post Code**") of the address at which the Supply Meter is located will be recorded;
  - (ii) a code ("**Meter Link Code**") will be assigned to indicate whether the Supply Meter Point is a Sub-deduct Supply Meter Point, and if so whether it is the Primary Supply Meter Point;
- (c) each Supply Point will be identified by a unique number (the "**Supply Point Registration Number**") assigned with effect from the Supply Point Registration Date; and
- (d) the details specified in the UK Link Manual will be recorded in respect of each Supply Meter Point, Supply Point and Supply Point Premises.

1.9.3 The Supply Meter Point Reference Number will continue to be assigned to a Supply Meter Point which has been Isolated.



- 1.9.4 The Supply Point Registration Number of a Supply Point and the Supply Meter Point Reference Number of any Supply Meter Point comprised therein will not be changed during the relevant Supply Point Registration.
- 1.9.5 A User shall not be entitled to have access to the information contained in the Supply Point Register except to the extent the Code provides for such information to be made available to such User.
- 1.9.6 Upon a request by any User identifying a Supply Meter Point by quoting the Supply Meter Point Reference Number and Meter Post Code, the Transporter will provide to the User certain of the details (such details being specified in the UK Link Manual for the purposes of this provision) recorded in the Supply Point Register of the Supply Point(s) in which the Supply Meter Point is comprised.
- 1.9.7 Following the rejection of a Supply Point Nomination pursuant to paragraph 2.3.6(c) or a Supply Point Confirmation pursuant to paragraph 2.6.2(b) or (c):
- (a) the Proposing User may within 10 Business Days after such rejection notify the Transporter that the User considers that any details recorded in respect of the Proposed Supply Point in the Supply Point Register are incorrect, or that details which should be so recorded are absent from the Supply Point Register; and
  - (b) where the User so notifies the Transporter:
    - (i) the User shall at the same time provide details of what it considers the relevant details should be and its reasons for so considering; and
    - (ii) the Transporter will, as soon as reasonably practicable after the User's notification, consider the details and reasons provided by the User, and where it is reasonably satisfied that any of the relevant details in the Supply Point Register are incorrect, or that details which should be so recorded are absent from the Supply Point Register, the Transporter will (within 5 Days after being so satisfied) amend the Supply Point Register in respect of such details and will not reject (on the same grounds) a further Supply Point Nomination or Supply Point Confirmation in respect of the Proposed Supply Point.
- 1.9.8 Without prejudice to any other provision of the Code, Users and the Transporter agree:
- (a) to cooperate with a view to ensuring that the information contained in the Supply Point Register is at all times as accurate as is possible; and
  - (b) each to use reasonable endeavours to secure that it becomes aware, insofar as it might reasonably be expected to become aware, of any inaccuracy in the information contained in the Supply Point Register, and to inform (in the case of a User) the Transporter or (in the case of the Transporter) the Registered User of such inaccuracy,
- but nothing in this paragraph 1.9.8 shall imply that the Supply Point Register is capable of being amended other than as provided in this Section G or Section M.
- (c) where at any time prior to the Supply Point Registration Date the User considers that any Annual Quantity of a New Supply Meter Point comprised in

the New Supply Point which has been recorded on the Supply Point Register does not reflect the User's estimate of the correct quantity then the User shall promptly (and in any event before Supply Point Registration Date) notify the Transporter of the same together with its estimate of the correct Annual Quantity.

1.9.9 Where, by reason of a change in any detail of a kind by reference to which an Exit Zone is designated, the details recorded in the Supply Point Register in respect of a Supply Meter Point cease to be accurate:

- (a) the Registered User shall, within 12 months after becoming aware of such inaccuracy (and unless it earlier ceases to be such Registered User):
  - (i) subject to paragraph (ii), submit a Supply Point Reconfirmation for the purposes of amending the relevant details;
  - (ii) where as a result of such change the requirement in Section A1.6.3 ceases to be satisfied in respect of the relevant Supply Point, apply for two or more Supply Point Registrations (in respect of each of which the requirement in Section A1.6.3 is satisfied) or submit a Supply Point Withdrawal in respect of the Supply Point;
- (b) no Supply Point Nomination or Supply Point Confirmation (including a Supply Point Renomination) may be submitted other than on the basis of the correct details, and any Supply Point Offer (outstanding at the time of such change) in respect of a Proposed Supply Point which includes the relevant Supply Meter Point shall lapse.

1.9.10 The Transporter has established and shall maintain an information service (the "**Supply Point Information Service**") in accordance with and subject to the provisions of Standard Special Condition A31 of the Transporter's Licence.

1.9.11 Subject to paragraph 1.9.12, where a User requests information from the Supply Point Information Service, the Transporter shall provide in a timely manner such information that it is obliged to provide pursuant to Standard Special Condition A31 of the Transporter's Licence and subject to the provisions therein (the "**Supply Point Information**").

1.9.12 The Transporters shall publish a document as prepared and revised from time to time by the Transporters (in consultation with Users) setting out the methods by which a User may obtain the Supply Point Information (the "**Supply Point Information Service Guidelines**") and where a User requires any Supply Point Information, it shall follow the procedures as set out in the Supply Point Information Service Guidelines.

## **1.10 Business Day**

1.10.1 In this Section G any reference to a "**Business Day**" is a reference to a Day other than:

- (a) a Saturday, a Sunday or a bank holiday in England and Wales; and
- (b) the Day which would (but for this paragraph (b)) be the first Business Day after 1 January.

1.10.2 The Transporters will maintain and not later than 30 September in each year provide to each User a list of Days in the following calendar year (other than Saturdays and Sundays) which are not Business Days.

### **1.11 Supply Point Classification**

1.11.1 Any change in the relevant classification of a Supply Meter Point Component shall be given effect only upon and by way of Supply Point Confirmation or (as the case may be) Supply Point Reconfirmation; and the requirements of Section A4 as the relevant classification shall be construed accordingly.

1.11.2 Where, by virtue of a change in Annual Quantity or otherwise, a Supply Meter Point or Supply Point Component is required (in accordance with any provision of the Code) to be classified differently from the prevailing relevant classification, the Registered User shall make a Supply Point Reconfirmation to give effect to such revised classification for a Supply Point Registration Date, subject to paragraph 1.5.11, not more than 3 months after the relevant date.

1.11.3 For the purposes of this paragraph 1.11:

- (a) **"relevant classification"** means the classification of a Supply Meter Point as a DM or NDM Supply Meter Point, or of a Supply Point Component as DMC or DMA or as VLDMC or not;
- (b) the relevant date is 1 October or other date with effect from the Annual Quantity of the Supply Meter Point or Supply Point Component in question changed, or other date with effect from which the requirement for reclassification first arises.

### **1.12 Contingencies**

In the event of a Class A Contingency the times by which before the start of each Gas Year details of Annual Quantities and other information in respect of Supply Points are (pursuant to this Section G) to be provided to Users will be deferred by a period commensurate with the duration of the relevant Code Contingency.

### **1.13 Code Communications**

1.13.1 For a period of 3 months after the User Accession Date, or if sooner until such time as the aggregate Transportation Charges payable by the User in aggregate to all Transporters in respect of any month exceed £20,000, a User may elect to make and receive all Code Communications under paragraphs 1 to 3 of this Section G as Conventional Notices.

1.13.2 Code Communications made under paragraph 1.13.1 must be made in the same format (as described in the UK Link Manual) as that in which such communications would have been made if made as UK Link Communications.

### **1.14 Failure to revise Supply Point Register**

1.14.1 If on any Day, as a result of a failure by the Transporter to revise the Supply Point Register in accordance with the provisions of the Code:

- (a) a Supply Meter Point, in respect of which the User has submitted a Supply Point Withdrawal which has become effective in accordance with paragraph 3.2, remains registered in the name of the User in the Supply Point Register; or
- (b) a Supply Meter Point, in respect of which the User has submitted a Supply Point Confirmation which has become effective in accordance with paragraph 2.8.7(a) or 2.9.1, has not become registered in the name of the User in the Supply Point Register

then, in view of (and without prejudice to) Section E1.8.2, where the effect on the determination of the Energy Balancing Charges payable by the User is material, National Grid NTS may make a payment to or require a payment from the User of an amount reasonably estimated by National Grid NTS as required (having regard to the User's Daily Imbalance for the Day, whether such imbalance was positive or negative) to compensate the User or National Grid NTS for the inclusion or (as the case may be) exclusion (in the determination of such Energy Balancing Charges) of the quantity of gas offtaken from the Total System on the Day in the calculation of the User's Daily Imbalance.

- 1.14.2 Amounts paid by or to National Grid NTS pursuant to paragraph 1.14.1 will be additional Monthly Adjustment Neutrality Costs or (as the case may be) additional Monthly Adjustment Neutrality Revenues for the purposes of Section F4.5.3 in the month in which they are paid.
- 1.14.3 For the avoidance of doubt, the Supply Meter Points which are to be taken into account in determining the Transportation Charges, Scheduling Charges and other charges (other than Energy Balancing Charges other than Scheduling Charges (but without prejudice to paragraph 1.14.1)) payable by a User shall be those which (but for any such failure as is referred to in paragraph 1.14.1) would be registered in the name of the User.

## **1.15 Interruptible Supply Point Firm Allowance (IFA)**

- 1.15.1 The Registered User of an Interruptible Supply Point (the 'relevant Supply Point') which term shall include the Supply Point Component comprised in it) that is not comprised in a Shared Supply Meter Point which also includes Firm Supply Points, may apply (subject to paragraph 1.15.2) in accordance with paragraphs 1.15.3 and 1.15.4 for a firm allowance up to (or subject to paragraph 1.15.3, above) 14,650 kWh/Day (*500 therms/Day*) ("**the Firm Allowance**").
- 1.15.2 Where a Firm Allowance is in force under paragraph G1.15.3:
  - (a) the Firm Allowance shall be treated as an exception to paragraph 6.7.2(b) such that the requirement that no gas shall be offtaken be read as no gas, other than the Firm Allowance shall be offtaken, and at a hourly rate not exceeding 12.5% of the Firm Allowance unless otherwise agreed with the Transporter in advance;
  - (b) the Registered User shall pay to the Transporter the Administration Charges (if any) set out in the Transporter's Transportation Statement;
  - (c) the rate of any Supply Point Transportation Charge shall be determined by reference to the Supply Point Capacity held by the Registered User at the

relevant Supply Point at the time that the offer of Firm Allowance has been offered by the Transporter in accordance with paragraphs 1.15.3 and 1.15.4;

- (d) the Registered User shall pay a charge ("**the IFA Charge**") to:
  - (i) National Grid NTS, calculated as the NTS Exit Capacity Charge set out in National Grid NTS'S Transportation Statement;
  - (ii) the relevant DN Operator, calculated as the LDZ Capacity Charge set out in the relevant DN Operator's Transportation Statement;
- (e) for the purposes of determining the IFA Charges payable by the Registered User in respect of the provision of a Firm Allowance at the relevant Supply Point, the Firm Allowance shall be regarded as the Supply Point Capacity of a Firm Supply Point;
- (f) all amounts payable under this paragraph 1.15 shall be payable in a single payment, may be invoiced by way of an Ad Hoc invoice, at any time after the Registered User's election and shall be paid in accordance with Section S. The charges shall be fixed in accordance with paragraph 1.15.2(h) having regard to the date on which the period of the Firm Allowance commences in accordance with paragraph 1.15.3(c) or 1.15.4 and are not refundable;
- (g) where the Transporter requires Interruption at the relevant Supply Point the provisions of paragraph 6.7 shall apply;
- (h) the IFA Charge shall be determined for the period of the Firm Allowance commencing on 1 October in accordance with paragraph 1.15.3(c) or 1.15.4, or (if later in the Gas Year) on a pro rata basis for the period commencing on the date of receipt by the Transporter of the confirmation in accordance with paragraph 1.15.3(c) and ending on 30 September; and
- (i) where a change to the IFA Charge takes place at anytime during a Gas Year no adjustments will be made to the IFA Charge paid before such change.

1.15.3 Applications under paragraph 1.15.1 in respect of a relevant Supply Point in which there is no current Firm Allowance in force, or in respect of which an increase is required to a current Firm Allowance, the increase:

- (a) shall be for a period commencing 1 October or (if later in the Gas Year) the date of receipt by the Transporter of the confirmation in accordance with paragraph (c) and ending on 30 September;
- (b) shall be offered, or rejected by the Transporter within 10 Business Days;
- (c) if offered by the Transporter, are open for confirmation by the Registered User for 5 Business Days from the date of offer;
- (d) for a Firm Allowance of 14,650 kWh (*500 therms/Day*) or less shall be considered in the order in which they were received by the Transporter;
- (e) for a Firm Allowance in excess of 14,650 kWh/Day (*500 therms/Day*), received by the Transporter prior to 1 October in respect of the next Gas Year shall, unless otherwise indicated on the application, be treated initially as an

application for a Firm Allowance of 14,650 kWh/Day (*500 therms/Day*) the balance being processed on or after 1 October, in the order in which they were received by the Transporter;

- (f) for a Firm Allowance in excess of 14,650 kWh/Day (*500 therms/Day*), received by the Transporter on or after 1st October in respect of the year commencing 1 October, shall be treated in the order in which they were received by the Transporter;
- (g) for a Firm Allowance greater than 30% of the Supply Point Capacity which exceeds 14,650 kWh/Day (*500 therms/Day*) shall be treated as if it were an application for 30 % of the Supply Point Capacity in accordance with paragraph (e) or (f); and
- (h) may be refused by the Transporter where the hourly rate of offtake is greater than 12.5% of the Firm Allowance or where in the Transporter's opinion the Firm Transportation Requirement is not satisfied in respect of such Supply Point.

1.15.4 Applications under paragraph 1.15.1 in respect of a relevant Supply Point for which a Firm Allowance is currently in force ("**a current Firm Allowance**"):-

- (a) may be made by the Registered User in accordance with the following process;
  - (i) on or before 1 September, the Transporter shall issue to the Registered User of a relevant Supply Point with a current Firm Allowance a renewal notice, offering the Firm Allowance for the following year commencing 1 October;
  - (ii) the Registered User may accept all or part of such renewal offer at any time before 15 September; and
- (b) shall be for a period of 12 months commencing on 1 October.

1.15.5 Where another User is to become the Registered User of a relevant Supply Point, the Proposing User shall, at least 2 but not more than 7 Business Days prior to the proposed Supply Point Registration Date, notify the Transporter of such change. The Firm Allowance shall transfer to the new Registered User from the Supply Point Registration Date provided that the DM Supply Point Component of the Proposing User is the same as the DM Supply Point Component of the Registered User.

1.15.6 Where a Registered User changes the configuration of a relevant Supply Point, the Registered User shall, at least 2 but not more than 7 Business Days prior to the proposed Supply Point Registration Date, notify the Transporter of such change. The Firm Allowance shall transfer to the new Supply Point from the Supply Point Registration Date provided that there is an equivalent effect on the System and that the Registered User has paid to the Transporter the Administration Charge (if any) set out in the Transportation Statement.

1.15.7 All Code Communications under this paragraph 1.15 shall be made by the Transporter and the Registered User by Conventional Notice.

1.15.8 An application under paragraph 1.15.1 shall not re-designate an Interruptible Supply Point as Firm for the purposes of the Network Code, and no Firm Allowance may be or remain in force in respect of a Shared Supply Meter Point which is comprised in a Firm Supply Point.

## **1.16 Mandatory Allocation Agencies**

1.16.1 All Users agree that (subject to and in accordance with this paragraph 1.16) if the conditions in paragraph 1.16.2 are satisfied and any User (the "**applicant User**") shall so require, a Supply Meter Point (the "**relevant Supply Meter Point**") shall become a Shared Supply Meter Point, in relation to which the applicant User and each Existing Registered User shall be Sharing Registered Users and shall appoint the consumer as Sharing Registered User Agent pursuant to an Agreement (the parties to which shall be each such User and the consumer, but for the avoidance of doubt not the Transporter) in the terms ("**Mandatory Allocation Agency Terms**"), subject to paragraph 1.16.2(e), in Annex G-2.

1.16.2 The conditions referred to in paragraph 1.16.1 are that:

- (a) the relevant Supply Meter Point is eligible (in accordance with paragraph 1.7.3) to be a Shared Supply Meter Point;
- (b) the requirement in paragraph 1.7.6 would be (or will continue to be) satisfied;
- (c) the applicant User is willing to appoint the consumer as Sharing Registered User Agent upon the Mandatory Allocation Agency Terms;
- (d) the consumer is willing to act as Sharing Registered User Agent upon the Mandatory Allocation Agency Terms; and
- (e) no existing Registered User would be obliged by virtue of Standard Condition 30 of the Shipper's Licence, by reason of a request made pursuant to Standard Condition 13(4)(a) of the Supplier's Licence, to submit a Supply Point Objection in respect of the Applicant User's Supply Point Confirmation.

1.16.3 Where the applicant User wishes to become a Sharing Registered User pursuant to paragraph 1.16.1:

- (a) the User shall submit to the Transporter a notification to that effect, identifying the consumer and the relevant Supply Meter Point, together with:
  - (i) an Agreement in the Mandatory Allocation Agency Terms, completed with details of the relevant Supply Meter Point, the effective date (consistent with paragraph 1.7.10(b)(ii) on the basis of paragraph (e) below) of the Agreement and the names of the applicant User and Existing Registered User(s) and the consumer (in the capacity of agent), in a number of originals equal to the number of proposed parties thereto, each executed by the applicant User and consumer but undated;
  - (ii) a signed irrevocable authority by the consumer in favour of the Transporter to date and deliver the Agreement in accordance with paragraph (d);

- (b) the Transporter will notify each Existing Registered User thereof enclosing a copy of the applicant User's notification and a copy of the Agreement;
  - (c) pursuant to paragraph 1.16.1, each Existing Registered User shall, provided the conditions in paragraph 1.16.2 are satisfied, arrange for the execution of each original of the Agreement not later than the 10th Business Day after the Transporter's notification under paragraph (b);
  - (d) when each Existing Registered User has complied with paragraph (c), the Transporter will (and each relevant User hereby authorises the Transporter to) date and deliver the Agreement on behalf of each such User and the consumer, and provide two originals to the applicant User and one each to each other such User; and
  - (e) the Agreement once executed by each Existing Registered User shall take effect as a Shared Supply Meter Point Notification for the effective date specified in the Agreement, subject to paragraph 1.7.10(c), and no Supply Point Objection may be submitted by any Existing Registered User nor (if submitted) shall be effective.
- 1.16.4 Subject to paragraph 1.16.5, if any Existing Registered User fails to execute an Agreement pursuant to paragraph 1.16.3(c) by the date therein specified:
- (a) such User shall be deemed to have submitted a Supply Point Withdrawal in respect of the relevant Supply Point, which shall be effective on the effective date specified in the Agreement, pursuant to paragraph 3.2.3; and
  - (b) the Agreement shall take effect (unless there was no other Existing Registered User), subject to paragraph 1.7.19, and the Supply Point Confirmation submitted by the applicant User shall become effective, and the applicant User shall not be entitled to submit a Supply Point Withdrawal within the period referred to in 3.2.4.
- 1.16.5 Paragraph 1.16.4 shall not apply if any Existing User submits to the Transporter by the date specified in paragraph 1.16.3(c) written confirmation to the effect that the condition in paragraph 1.16.2(e) is not satisfied.

## **1.17 Supply Point Enquiries**

- 1.17.1 A User (an "**Enquiring User**") contemplating submitting a Supply Point Nomination (the "**prospective**" Supply Point Nomination) may first submit an enquiry (a "**Supply Point Enquiry**") as to the matters referred to in paragraph 1.17.6.
- 1.17.2 For the purposes of this paragraph 1.17, references to the 'Proposed Supply Point' are to what would be the Proposed Supply Point if the Enquiring User were to submit the prospective Supply Point Nomination.
- 1.17.3 A Supply Point Enquiry shall specify the details which would be required to be specified pursuant to paragraphs 2.3.2(a) to (d) in the prospective Supply Point Nomination.
- 1.17.4 The Transporter will reject, or may reject, the Supply Point Enquiry in any case in which (if the Supply Point Enquiry were a Supply Point Nomination) the Transporter



would be required, or (as the case may be) entitled, to reject such Supply Point Nomination pursuant to paragraph 2.3.6.

- 1.17.5 Where the Transporter rejects a Supply Point Enquiry the Transporter will notify the Enquiring User of the reason for such rejection.
- 1.17.6 Where the Transporter does not reject the Supply Point Enquiry, the Transporter will submit a response to the enquiry specifying (in relation to the Proposed Supply Point) the details which the Transporter would be required to specify in a Supply Point Offer (in response to the prospective Supply Point Nomination) pursuant to paragraphs 2.4.2(b), (c), (d)(i), (f) and (g).<sup>1</sup>

## **1.18 Site visit Appointments**

1.18.1 This paragraph 1.18 applies where:

- (a) the User believes that the information set out in the Supply Point Register that:
- (i) has been provided by the Transporter pursuant to the Code; or
  - (ii) subject to paragraph (e) below, relates to Meter assets
- is incorrect;
- (b) the User has so notified the Transporter, providing details of the information which the User believes to be incorrect, what the User believes to be the correct information and the contact details for the consumer at the Supply Point Premises (the "**relevant consumer**");
- (c) following such notification, the Transporter has been unable (after examining the details contained in the Supply Point Register) to resolve the matter notified by the User (the "**relevant matter**");
- (d) subject to paragraph (e) below, the User has accordingly requested the Transporter and the Transporter has agreed to endeavour to contact the relevant consumer and has consequently arranged with such consumer a time and date when the Transporter may visit the Supply Point Premises to investigate the relevant matter (a "**Site Visit Appointment**");
- (e) a Site Visit Appointment shall not include any visit (whether undertaken or not) to the consumer's premises which:
- (i) is subject to the standards of performance set out in the Gas (Standards of Performance) Regulations 2002;
  - (ii) after the Metering Separation Date, relates to Meter assets.

1.18.2 Where a Site Visit Appointment has been arranged as set out in paragraph 1.18.1, subject to paragraph 1.18.3, the Transporter will during normal business hours (08:30 hours to 17:00 hours), or on such date and time as the Transporter and the consumer

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<sup>1</sup> Implementation of modification 0092, effective date to be confirmed, will add new paragraphs 1.17.7, 1.17.8 & 1.17.9.

may agree, visit the Supply Point Premises and (subject to being given the required access) investigate the relevant matter.

- 1.18.3 Where a Site Visit Appointment has been arranged, the Transporter may require that the User attend at the Supply Point Premises at such time and date, and where the Transporter so requires, the Transporter will not be required to investigate the relevant matter if the User does not so attend and such Site Visit Appointment shall be deemed to be a completed Site Visit Appointment for the purposes of paragraph 4.3.1.
- 1.18.4 If the Transporter is unable (upon such a visit) to obtain the access required to investigate the relevant matter, the Transporter shall not be required to revisit the Supply Point Premises; and
- (a) if the Transporter did not require (pursuant to paragraph 1.18.3) the User to attend, the Transporter will so inform the User as soon as reasonably practicable after making such visit; and
  - (b) such Site Visit Appointment shall be deemed to be a completed Site Visit Appointment for the purposes of paragraph 4.3.1.

#### **1.19 DNO Users**

In this Section G references to Users exclude DNO Users.

#### **1.20 Reduction of Offtake at Firm Supply Points**

- 1.20.1 Where, in relation to any Firm Supply Point (but without prejudice to [Section C](#) in relation to Renominations), the Registered User or supplier:
- (a) exercises (other than pursuant to an instruction from a Transporter pursuant to [Section Q](#)) any entitlement to require the consumer to discontinue consuming gas offtaken from the Total System on a Day; or
  - (b) having exercised such an entitlement, authorises the consumer to resume such consumption

the Registered User will as soon as reasonably practicable, and in accordance with paragraph 1.20.3, inform the Transporter of the matters set out in paragraph 1.20.2, provided that the Registered User shall use reasonable endeavours to inform the Transporter not more than one hour after such discontinuance and/or not less than one hour before such resumption.

- 1.20.2 The matters to be informed by the Registered User to the Transporter pursuant to paragraph 1.20.1 are:
- (a) the identity of the Firm Supply Point;
  - (b) the time with effect from which the consumer will be required to discontinue, or authorised to resume, consumption; and

an estimate of the amount by which the quantity of gas offtaken will increase or decrease as a result of such discontinuance or resumption.

- 1.20.3 For the purposes of paragraph 1.20.1 the User will give the relevant information to the Transporter by means of telephone or facsimile, unless it has given to the Transporter not less than one month's notice of its intention to give such information by Batch Transfer Communication, in which case such User will give information to the Transporter for the purposes of paragraph 1.20.1 only by Batch Transfer Communication, and will promptly inform the Transporter by telephone or facsimile of the transmission of each such Batch Transfer Communication.
- 1.20.4 Where the Transporter notifies a User that it is unable satisfactorily to access a Batch Transfer Communication transmitted pursuant to paragraph 1.20.3, that User will promptly send to the Transporter by facsimile the information contained in that Batch Transfer Communication.

## 2 SUPPLY POINT REGISTRATION

### 2.1 Introduction

- 2.1.1 A User may apply to become the Registered User in respect of a Supply Point in accordance with this paragraph 2.
- 2.1.2 In order for a User (the "**Proposing User**") to become the Registered User in respect of a Supply Point:
- (a) where the Proposed Supply Point is a Larger Supply Point or a New Smaller Supply Point and there is more than one Supply Meter Point comprised in the Proposed New Smaller Supply Point, then the User must make a Supply Point Nomination in accordance with paragraph 2.3, in response to which the Transporter will (subject as provided in this Section G) submit to the Proposing User a Supply Point Offer in accordance with paragraph 2.4; and
  - (b) the Proposing User must make a Supply Point Confirmation in accordance with paragraphs 2.5 to 2.7 which become effective in accordance with paragraphs 2.8 to 2.11.
- 2.1.3 For the purposes of this paragraph 2 a "**Proposed**" Supply Point is the Supply Point which is the subject of a Proposed Supply Point Registration.
- 2.1.4 In respect of a Proposed Supply Point Registration:
- (a) a "**Supply Point Nomination**" is a communication by a Proposing User in respect of a Larger Supply Point or, where required, a New Smaller Supply Point requesting a Supply Point Offer from the Transporter;
  - (b) a "**Supply Point Offer**" is a communication by the Transporter to a Proposing User providing information in respect of a Larger Supply Point or, where required, a New Smaller Supply Point; and
  - (c) a "**Supply Point Confirmation**" is a communication by a Proposing User to the Transporter requesting Supply Point Registration in respect of a Proposed Supply Point.

- 2.1.5 The Code provides that the Transporter will or may reject in certain cases a Supply Point Nomination or Supply Point Confirmation; and any reference in this Section G to such a rejection by the Transporter is to a rejection in accordance with any such provision of the Code.
- 2.1.6 Where the Transporter has given a Termination Notice (under Section V4) to a User, the Transporter may decide:
- (a) to reduce any of the periods and/or curtail any of the procedures provided for in this Section G in relation to any Supply Point Nomination or Supply Point Confirmation by any other User in respect of; or
  - (b) to implement any other procedure for the registration in the name of any other User (who wishes to become the Registered User) of
- any Supply Meter Points of which the Discontinuing User was the Registered User.
- 2.1.7 For the purposes of paragraphs 2.1.8, 2.1.9, 2.1.10, 2.1.11, 2.1.12 and 2.1.13:
- (a) where a User has been given a Termination Notice by National Grid NTS (under Section V4), all Supply Meter Points in respect of which the Discontinuing User was the Registered User immediately prior to the User Discontinuance Date shall be known as the "**Terminated Supply Meter Points**";
  - (b) a "**Supplier of Last Resort**" is a supplier whom by virtue of Standard Condition 29 of the Supplier's Licence has been directed by the Authority to supply gas in accordance with that condition in respect of any or all of the Terminated Supply Meter Points;
  - (c) "**the Last Resort User**" is a User who is the first User, following the appointment of the Supplier(s) of Last Resort, to become the Registered User of all of the Terminated Supply Meter Points;
  - (d) "**day of issue**" is the Day following the day of notification;
  - (e) "**day of notification**" is the Day on which the Transporter receives written notice from the Authority of the appointment and identity of the Last Resort User; and
  - (f) "**TSMP Information**" is relevant information (including, but not limited to, Protected Information) relating to the Terminated Supply Meter Points to which the Discontinuing User would have had access through UK Link, immediately prior to the User Discontinuance Date.
- 2.1.8 Where National Grid NTS has given a Termination Notice (under Section V4) to a User and the Authority directs a Supplier of Last Resort in respect of a Terminated Supply Meter Point, then notwithstanding any other provision of Code, the Last Resort User shall become the Registered User of the Terminated Supply Meter Points, thereby accepting the benefit of the rights and the burden of obligations under Code, the Framework Agreement and any relevant Ancillary Agreement, in respect of the Terminated Supply Meter Points (including without limitation the payment of

Transportation Charges and Energy Balancing Charges in respect thereof) with effect from and including the date of the appointment of the Supplier of Last Resort.

- 2.1.9 To assist the Last Resort User in exercising its rights and discharging its obligations in respect of the Terminated Supply Meter Points the Transporter shall use reasonable endeavours, subject to paragraphs 2.1.11, 2.1.12 and 2.1.13, to provide to the Last Resort User on the day of issue a copy of the TSMP Information which can be accessed by the Last Resort User through UK Link.
- 2.1.10 (a) The Transporter shall undertake a review of the Last Resort User's Code Credit Limit and (in the case of National Grid NTS) Secured Credit Limit as soon as reasonably practicable following the day of notification, and shall advise the Last Resort User, as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter but in any event not later than 3 Days after the day of notification, of any further security that will be required to be provided by the Last Resort User in accordance with paragraph 2.1.10(b).
- (b) In the event that following the review referred to in paragraph 2.1.10 the Transporter notifies the Last Resort User that additional security is required, then the Last Resort User shall be obliged to provide the requisite security in accordance with the Code Credit Rules or Energy Balancing Credit Rules (as appropriate) in favour of the Transporter (or National Grid NTS) as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter but in any event no later than 14 Days of the day of notification and upon receipt of that security the Transporter shall revise the Last Resort User's Code Credit Limit (and/or in the case of National Grid NTS) Secured Credit Limit (as appropriate) as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter but in any event no later than 14 Days after the date of notification to take effect from the date of that revision.
- (c) In the event that security is required to be provided by the Last Resort User pursuant to paragraph 2.1.10 but the Last Resort User fails to provide the security in accordance with paragraph 2.1.10(b), then the Code Credit Limit and/or Secured Credit Limit (as appropriate) shall not be revised pursuant to this paragraph 2.1.10 and the Transporter shall be entitled to exercise those rights and remedies available to it pursuant to V3.3 or Section X, as appropriate.
- 2.1.11 By virtue of this paragraph 2.1.11 the Discontinuing User hereby is deemed to have given its written consent for the purposes of both paragraph V5.5.2(a) and Section 105 of the Utilities Act 2000 (as amended from time to time) to the Transporter to disclose to the Last Resort User the TSMP Information pursuant to paragraph 2.1.9 above.
- 2.1.12 It is acknowledged that the TSMP Information contains information which has been provided to the Transporter by the Discontinuing User and accordingly the Last Resort User hereby acknowledges and agrees that:
- (a) the TSMP Information disclosed to it pursuant to paragraph 2.1.9 above shall not have been independently verified;
- (b) it shall be solely responsible for making its own judgement and decision on the TSMP Information disclosed to it;

- (c) neither the Transporter, nor any of its employees, agents, consultants, advisers or directors, accept responsibility for, or make any representation or warranty (express or implied) regarding, the accuracy or completeness of the content of the TSMP Information; and
  - (d) the Transporter shall have no liability to the Last Resort User, in respect of any of the contents of the TSMP Information.
- 2.1.13 For the purposes only of enabling the Transporter to comply with the provisions of paragraph 2.1.9, the Last Resort User shall execute all such documents, deeds and assignments and perform such acts as the Transporter may reasonably require, including, without limitation, executing any relevant documents, deeds and assignments, or perform such acts, necessary to ensure compliance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 1998 (as may be amended from time to time).
- 2.1.14 Unless the context otherwise requires, references in this Section G to details to be included in a Supply Point Nomination, Supply Point Offer or Supply Point Confirmation are to details which would (if the Proposing User submits a Supply Point Confirmation and/or if the Supply Point Confirmation becomes effective) apply in respect of the Proposed Supply Point Registration.
- 2.2 Current, New and Existing Supply Points**
- 2.2.1 Subject to paragraph 1.4, a Proposed Supply Point may be a Current Supply Point or a New Supply Point.
- 2.2.2 A "**Current Supply Point**" is a Proposed Supply Point all of the Supply Meter Points comprised in which are (at the relevant time) all of the Supply Meter Points comprised in one Existing Supply Point; and a "**New Supply Point**" is any other Proposed Supply Point (including for the avoidance of doubt a Proposed Supply Point which includes a New Supply Meter Point).
- 2.2.3 In relation to a Proposed Supply Point Registration:
- (a) an "**Existing Supply Point**" is a Supply Point which (at the relevant time):
    - (i) is the subject of an existing Supply Point Registration (which may be a registration in the name of the Proposing User); and
    - (ii) includes one or more Supply Meter Points which are comprised in the Proposed Supply Point; and
  - (b) an "**Existing Registered User**" is a User (who may be the Proposing User) who is the Registered User in respect of an Existing Supply Point.
- 2.2.4 Subject to paragraph 2.8.3, the Proposing User will not be entitled to have access to the identity of the Existing Registered User(s).
- 2.2.5 A "**Supply Point Reconfirmation**" or a "**Supply Point Renomination**" is a Supply Point Confirmation or (as the case may be) Supply Point Nomination submitted by the Existing Registered User of the Current Supply Point; and where the Code provides for a Supply Point Reconfirmation to be made in respect of a Larger Supply Point, the Code

shall be deemed also to provide for an appropriate Supply Point Renomination to be made.

2.2.6 A "**Supply Point Commodity Rate Renomination**" is, where the Existing Registered User had previously confirmed in accordance with paragraph B3.5.5 that the Applicable Commodity Rate in respect of the Current Supply Point was to be the NTS Optional Commodity Rate, a Supply Point Nomination submitted by the Existing Registered User of the Current Supply Point where:

- (a) the Existing Registered User nominates that the Applicable Commodity Rate at the Current Supply Point is not to be the NTS Optional Commodity Rate; or
- (b) the NTS Optional Commodity Rate having previously been de-applied in accordance with sub-paragraph (a) above, the Existing Registered User wishes to re-apply for the NTS Optional Commodity Rate at the Current Supply Point.

### 2.3 Supply Point Nomination

2.3.1 A User may make a Supply Point Nomination in respect of a Larger Supply Point or may, where required, make a Supply Point Nomination in respect of a New Smaller Supply Point in accordance with paragraph 2.1.2 and this paragraph 2.3. Where a Proposing User wishes to make a Supply Point Nomination in respect of a Larger Supply Point for the purpose of:

- (a) increasing Supply Point Capacity for such Supply Point;
- (b) changing the Supply Point Component of any Supply Meter Point;
- (c) specifying a New Supply Point

then the Proposing User may use the following process:

- (i) (provided that the Proposed Supply Point will be a Current Supply Point) the User may submit, as appropriate, one or more Supply Point Nominations in accordance with paragraph 2.3 to nominate:

- (1) the prevailing Supply Point Capacity of the Supply Point;
- (2) the existing Supply Point Component of each Supply Meter Point; or
- (3) the Current Supply Point

(any such Supply Point Nomination shall be referred to as a "**Supply Point First Nomination**"); and

- (ii) at any time up to the date of the Supply Point Offer in respect of the Supply Point First Nomination the User may also submit, as appropriate, in accordance with paragraph 2.3, one or more Supply Point Nominations to:

- (1) increase the Supply Point Capacity for such Supply Point;
- (2) change the Supply Point Component of any Supply Meter Point; or

(3) specify a New Supply Point

(and any such Supply Point nomination shall be referred to as "**Supply Point Second Nomination**").

2.3.2 A Supply Point Nomination which is a Supply Point Commodity Rate Renomination shall comply with the provisions of paragraph 2.3.9 and any other Supply Point Nomination shall specify:

- (a) the identity of the Proposing User;
- (b) whether the Proposed Supply Point is a Current Supply Point or a New Supply Point, and in the case of a New Supply Point a description of the basis on which the Single Premises Requirement is satisfied;
- (c) the Supply Meter Point Reference Number in respect of:
  - (i) in the case of a Current Larger Supply Point, either one or all of the Supply Meter Points comprised in the Proposed Supply Point; or
  - (ii) in the case of a New Supply Point, all of the Supply Meter Points comprised in the Proposed Supply Point;
- (d) the Meter Post Code in respect of each Supply Meter Point for which the Supply Meter Point Reference Number is specified under paragraph (c);
- (e) where the Proposed Supply Point includes one or more DM Supply Meter Points, the proposed Supply Point Capacity and proposed Supply Point Offtake Rate in respect of the DM Supply Point Component, in compliance with the requirements of paragraph 5;
- (f) where the Proposed Supply Point includes an NDM Supply Meter Point and where the Annual Quantity of the NDM Supply Point Component is less than 293,000 kWh (10,000 therms) but in excess of 73,200 kWh (2,500 therms), whether the relevant Supply Meters are proposed to be a Monthly Read Meter;
- (g) the Supply Meter Point Reference Number of any Supply Meter Point comprised in the Proposed Supply Point which is to become or (as the case may be) ceased to be a DM Supply Meter Point; and
- (h) any other details which are required to be specified in any particular case pursuant to any provision of this [Section G](#); or
- (i) where a User wishes to apply for the NTS Optional Commodity Rate at an Eligible Exit Point, the Specified Exit Point and the Specified Entry Point; or
- (j) where a User wishes to apply for the LDZ Optional Capacity Rate, the LDZ Specified Exit Point.

2.3.3 In this Section G "**Nominated**" means proposed in a Supply Point Nomination.

2.3.4 Where a User makes a Supply Point Nomination:

- (a) the Transporter will submit a Supply Point Offer (in accordance with paragraph 2.4), or reject the Supply Point Nomination (in accordance with paragraph



2.3.6), or submit a referral notice (in accordance with paragraph 2.3.8), within 2 Business Days after the Supply Point Nomination was submitted;

- (b) where (in accordance with paragraph 2.3.8) the Transporter submitted a referral notice, the Transporter will submit a Supply Point Offer within 12 Business Days after the Supply Point Nomination was submitted.

2.3.5 If the Transporter does not comply with paragraph 2.3.4 it will in any event reject the Supply Point Nomination or make a Supply Point Offer or submit a referral notice as soon as reasonably practicable.

2.3.6 The Transporter will reject the Supply Point Nomination where:

- (a) the Transporter is not reasonably satisfied that the Single Premises Requirement is complied with in respect of the Proposed Supply Point; or
- (b) the Supply Point Nomination is not made strictly in accordance with the requirements of paragraph 2.3.2 and /or 2.3.9 (as the case may be); or
- (c) any of the Supply Meter Point Reference Number(s) specified pursuant to paragraph 2.3.2(c) is not identified in the Supply Point Register with the Meter Post Code(s) specified pursuant to paragraph 2.3.2(d);

and the Transporter may reject the Supply Point Nomination where the Supply Point Nomination does not comply with any other requirement provided for in this Section G or in accordance with Section V3 or in any other case where such rejection is provided for in the Code.

2.3.7 Where the Transporter rejects the Supply Point Nomination the Transporter will inform the Proposing User of the reason (under paragraph 2.3.6) for such rejection (and where such rejection was pursuant to paragraph 2.3.6(b), the requirement of paragraph 2.3.2 and /or 2.3.9 (as the case may be) which was not complied with)).

2.3.8 Where the Proposed Supply Point is a New Supply Point, or includes a New Supply Meter Point, or (in accordance with the further provisions of this Section G) it is necessary for the Transporter to assess the feasibility of making gas available for offtake from the Total System at the Proposed Supply Point, the Transporter may (unless it rejects the Supply Point Nomination) give notice (a "**referral notice**") to that effect to the Proposing User.

2.3.9 A Supply Point Nomination which is a Supply Point Commodity Rate Renomination shall specify:

- (a) the identity of the Proposing User;
- (b) the Supply Meter Point Reference Number in respect of the Supply Meter Points comprised in the Proposed Supply Point;
- (c) the Applicable Commodity Rate that the User wishes to be applied being either:
  - (i) the NTS Optional Commodity Rate; or
  - (ii) the Applicable Commodity Rate other than the NTS Optional Commodity Rate determined pursuant to paragraph B1.8.1;

- (d) the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date; and
- (e) any other details which are required to be specified in any particular case pursuant to any provision of this Section G.

**2.4 Supply Point Offers**

2.4.1 Where the Transporter does not reject (in accordance with paragraph 2.3.4) a Supply Point Nomination, the Transporter will submit to the Proposing User a Supply Point Offer in accordance with this paragraph 2.4.

2.4.2 A Supply Point Offer will specify in relation to the Proposed Supply Point:

- (a) the identity of the Proposing User;
- (b) the address(es) of the Supply Point Premises;
- (c) the Supply Meter Point Reference Number, manufacturer's serial number, and (where the Proposed Supply Point comprises a Sub-deduct Supply Meter Point) Meter Link Code of each Supply Meter Point comprised in the Proposed Supply Point Registration;
- (d) where the Proposed Supply Point includes one or more NDM Supply Meter Points:
  - (i) the Applicable End User Category in accordance with Section H1.7;
  - (ii) Supply Point Capacity and NTS Exit Capacity (in accordance with Section H4.1); and
  - (iii) the Nominated Meter Reading Frequency or (where more frequent) the minimum Meter Reading Frequency required under Section M3 in respect of each relevant Supply Meter;
- (e) where the Proposed Supply Point includes one or more DM Supply Meter Points:
  - (i) details in respect of Supply Point Capacity and Supply Point Offtake Rate in accordance with paragraph 2.4.3;
  - (ii) whether the Proposed Supply Point is a Firm Supply Point or an Interruptible Supply Point, and (if Interruptible) whether TNI and whether (as respects the DM Supply Point Component) SDMC(I);
  - (iii) details of the Daily Read Equipment installed and the Supply Meter Point Reference Number of each Supply Meter Point at which any such Daily Read Equipment is installed;
- (f) the Exit Zone and (where applicable) LDZ in which the Proposed Supply Point is located;
- (g) the Annual Quantity for each Supply Meter Point;
- (h) Supply Point Transportation Charges;

- (i) the Supply Meter Point Reference Number of any Supply Meter Point comprised in the Proposed Supply Point which has been Isolated; and
- (j) a number by which the Supply Point Offer may uniquely be identified; or
- (k) where a User has made a Supply Point Nomination in accordance with paragraph 2.3.2(h) or 2.3.9(c)(i), the distance between the Specified Entry Point and the Proposed Supply Point, the six figure grid references, the capacity of the Proposed Supply Point and the NTS Optional Commodity Rate; or
- (l) where a User has made a Supply Point Nomination in accordance with paragraph 2.3.2(h) the Notional NTS Connection Point, the distance between the Notional NTS Connection Point and the Proposed Supply Point, the eight figure grid references, the capacity of the Proposal Supply Point and the LDZ Optional Capacity Rate;
- (m) the identity of the Gas Act Owner;
- (n) the identity of the Meter Asset Manager.

2.4.3 Where the Proposed Supply Point includes a DM Supply Point Component:

- (a) the Supply Point Capacity ("**Offered Supply Point Capacity**") specified in the Supply Point Offer shall be:
  - (i) where the Nominated Supply Point Capacity is less than the Bottom-Stop Supply Point Capacity, the Bottom-Stop Supply Point Capacity;
  - (ii) otherwise, but subject to paragraph 5.5, the Nominated Supply Point Capacity (provided that where the Nominated Supply Point Capacity is not less than the Bottom-Stop Supply Point Capacity but less than the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity, paragraph 2.7.3 shall apply);
- (b) subject to paragraph 5.5, the Supply Point Offtake Rate specified in the Supply Point Offer shall be the Nominated Supply Point Offtake Rate; and
- (c) the Supply Point Offer will also specify (for information purposes, where not specified under paragraph (a)(i)) the Bottom-Stop Supply Point Capacity.

2.4.4 Subject to paragraphs 1.9.9(b), 2.4.5 and 2.7.3, and unless and until a Supply Point Confirmation is made which becomes effective, a Supply Point Offer will remain valid for a period of six (6) months after it was made.

2.4.5 Where the Proposed Supply Point includes a DM Supply Point Component, at any time at which the Proposing User has not submitted a Supply Point Confirmation:

- (a) if:
  - (i) the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity becomes greater than the Offered Supply Point Capacity, as a result of the occurrence in any month of a Supply Point Ratchet (pursuant to Section B4.7) in respect of any Existing Supply Point; or

- (ii) at the start of a Gas Year, the Bottom-Stop Supply Point Capacity becomes (pursuant to paragraph 5.2) greater than the Offered Supply Point Capacity

the Transporter will so notify the Proposing User whereupon the Supply Point Offer will lapse (but without prejudice to any Supply Point Confirmation submitted before such notification was given, in respect of which paragraph 2.7.4 will apply);

- (b) if the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity becomes greater than the Offered Supply Point Capacity, as a result of a Capacity Revision Application (in accordance with paragraph 5.1.4) made by the Registered User for an increase in Supply Point Capacity in respect of any Existing Supply Point, paragraph 2.7.3 shall apply.

2.4.6 The Transporter will inform the Proposing User of the application of paragraph 2.7.3 pursuant to paragraph 2.4.5(b) within 5 Business Days after the occurrence of the event giving rise to the application of paragraph 2.7.3.

2.4.7 Where during the period for which a Supply Point Offer remains valid:

- (a) the Annual Quantity of the NDM Supply Point Component (if any) of the Proposed Supply Point is revised (including a revision to the Annual Quantity pursuant to a notice by an Existing Registered User under paragraph 1.6.8(a)), or such NDM Supply Point Component belongs to a different End User Category, from the Annual Quantity or End User Category specified in the Supply Point Offer:
  - (i) the Transporter will notify the Proposing User of the revised Annual Quantity or End User Category;
  - (ii) the Supply Point Offer shall be deemed to be modified accordingly (and shall remain valid);
- (b) the details of the Supply Point Transportation Charges are (upon a change in Annual Quantity or End User Category of any Supply Meter Point or the coming into force of a new Transportation Statement or otherwise) revised, the Transporter will not and is not required to notify the Proposing User of such change, and the Proposing User will be informed of the revised details only if it makes a Supply Point Confirmation which becomes effective.

2.4.8 There may be any number of Supply Point Offers outstanding, to different Proposing Users, in respect of a Proposed Supply Point or Proposed Supply Points comprising some or all of the same Supply Meter Points.

2.4.9 The details contained in a Supply Point Offer of the matters set out in paragraph 2.4.10 shall be binding upon the Transporter and the Proposing User where the User submits a Supply Point Confirmation in respect of such Supply Point Offer, notwithstanding any error in the details so stated (but without prejudice to the ability of the Transporter to withdraw a Supply Point Offer containing such erroneous details before a Supply Point Confirmation has been submitted).

2.4.10 The matters referred to in paragraph 2.4.9 are:

- (a) the Supply Meter Points comprised in the Proposed Supply Point;

- (b) the Annual Quantity, End User Category and Supply Point Capacity of the Proposed Supply Point; and
  - (c) whether at the date of the Supply Point Offer any Existing Supply Point (if Interruptible) is TNI, and (if so) the number of Days of the Interruption Allowance.
- 2.4.11 Except as provided in paragraph 2.4.9, where any detail contained in a Supply Point Offer is incorrectly stated:
- (a) such error shall not bind the Transporter or the Proposing User and shall not prejudice the proper determination of such detail; and
  - (b) a Supply Point Confirmation made on the basis of such Supply Point Offer shall be valid notwithstanding such error.
- 2.4.12 Where the User disputes the distance specified by the Transporter under paragraph 2.4.2(k) or paragraph 2.4.2(l), the User may resubmit a Supply Point Nomination for the Proposed Supply Point stating alternative eight figure grid references for the Proposed Supply Point and the Notional NTS Connection Point as appropriate with supporting evidence of calculation.
- 2.4.13 For the purposes of the Code:
- (a) "**Gas Act Owner**" is the consumer, holder of a Gas Transporter's Licence or relevant supplier that owns the meter (and for the purposes of this definition owner includes a lessee) and which in accordance with the Gas Code is responsible for keeping it in proper order for correctly registering the quantity of gas supplied;
  - (b) "**Meter Asset Manager**" is an organisation that works on behalf of another to install, replace, repair and maintain a Supply Meter Installation.

## 2.5 Supply Point Confirmations: General

- 2.5.1 A User may submit a Supply Point Confirmation to the Transporter:
- (a) in respect of a Current Smaller Supply Point or a New Smaller Supply Point comprising of one Supply Meter Point (pursuant to the establishment of a New Supply Meter Point in accordance with G7.1.1(b)(i)), in accordance with paragraph 2.6, at any time;
  - (b) in respect of a Larger Supply Point or New Smaller Supply Point comprising of more than one Supply Meter Point, in accordance with paragraph 2.7, after making a Supply Point Nomination, at any time where the condition in paragraph 2.5.2 is satisfied; or
  - (c) in respect of a Supply Point where information has been specified in accordance with paragraph 2.4.2(k) or paragraph 2.4.2(l) provided that a Supply Point Offer made in respect of paragraphs 2.4.2(a) to 2.4.2(j) and has been or, is simultaneously being confirmed by the User under this paragraph 2.5.1.

- 2.5.2 The condition referred to in paragraph 2.5.1(b) is that:

- (a) the Supply Point Confirmation is made at a time at which the Supply Point Offer remains (in accordance with paragraph 2.4.4) valid; and
- (b) in the circumstances in paragraph 2.7.3, the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date is within the Capacity Reduction Period.

2.5.3 By making a Supply Point Confirmation in respect of a Proposed Supply Point the Proposing User:

- (a) warrants to the Transporter:
  - (i) that; or
  - (ii) where the User will not be the supplier, that the supplier (or if there is more than one supplier, the suppliers between them) has (or have) warranted to the User that

as at the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date there will be in force a contract or contracts (including a deemed contract pursuant to paragraph 8(1) or 8(2) of the Gas Code) for the supply to the consumer of the gas offtaken by such User from the Total System at the Proposed Supply Point; and

- (b) agrees (if the confirmation becomes effective):
  - (i) to be the Registered User in respect of the Proposed Supply Point; and
  - (ii) to be registered as holding:
    - (1) as to the NDM Supply Point Component (if any), Supply Point Capacity (and accordingly LDZ Capacity) and NTS Exit Capacity determined in accordance with Section H4;
    - (2) as to the DM Supply Component (if any), the Confirmed Supply Point Capacity (and accordingly LDZ Capacity);
  - (iii) that it consents to the disclosure of the information by the Transporter in accordance with paragraph 2.8.8(b).

2.5.4 Subject to paragraph 2.7.4(a), the "**Confirmed Supply Point Capacity**" in respect of the DM Supply Point Component of a Proposed Supply Point (for which the Supply Point Confirmation becomes effective) is the Offered Supply Point Capacity.

2.5.5 A Supply Point Confirmation may not be made, and the Transporter will reject any Supply Point Confirmation submitted:

- (a) (except in respect of a Shared Supply Meter Point), in respect of a Proposed Supply Point comprising any Supply Meter Point comprised in a Proposed Supply Point in respect of which any other Supply Point Confirmation has been made and is (in accordance with paragraph 2.5.9) outstanding; and
- (b) in respect of a Proposed Supply Point comprising any Supply Meter Point (other than a New Supply Meter Point) in respect of which there is any request for Siteworks outstanding or any Siteworks Contract which has not been

completed, and for which the Siteworks Applicant is a gas shipper other than the Proposing User.

- 2.5.6 The Transporter may reject a Supply Point Confirmation in accordance with Section V3.
- 2.5.7 The "**Proposed Supply Point Registration Date**" in respect of a Supply Point Confirmation is the date with effect from which the Proposing User wishes to become the Registered User in respect of the Proposed Supply Point.
- 2.5.8 The Proposed Supply Point Registration Date shall be:
- (a) not more than 30 Business Days after the Supply Point Confirmation is submitted; and
  - (b) not less than 15 Business Days after the Supply Point Confirmation is submitted unless:
    - (i) at the time that the Supply Point Confirmation is submitted a Supply Point Withdrawal has been submitted by the Existing Registered User in respect of each Existing Supply Point in which case the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date shall not be less than 8 Business Days;
    - (ii) there is no change in the identity of the Registered User in respect of the Supply Point, in which case the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date shall not be less than 8 Business Days; or
    - (iii) where the Supply Point Confirmation is resulting from a Supply Point Commodity Rate Renomination (a "**Supply Point Commodity Rate Confirmation**") in which case the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date shall not be less than 4 Business Days; and
  - (c) where the Supply Point Offer made in accordance with paragraph 2.4.2 is received by Batch Transfer Communication, not earlier than 2 months (or such lesser period as the Transporter may specify);
- after the Supply Point Confirmation is submitted.
- 2.5.9 A Supply Point Confirmation shall be outstanding until it is rejected by the Transporter in accordance with this paragraph 2 or lapses in accordance with paragraph 2.8.6, or (where it becomes effective) until the Supply Point Registration Date.
- 2.5.10 Every Supply Point Confirmation shall specify (in addition to what is required in paragraphs 2.6 and 2.7) the identity of the proposed supplier; and in any case where upon a change of the identity of the supplier a User continues to be a Registered User in respect of a Supply Point, such User shall either submit a Supply Point Confirmation or notify the Transporter, by such method as the Transporter shall require, (such method to be notified to Users from time to time) the identity of the new supplier as soon as reasonably practicable after such change of identity. By notifying the Transporter of the identity of the new supplier, such User warrants to the Transporter that such new supplier (or if there is more than one supplier, the suppliers between them) has (or have) warranted to the User that there will be in force a contract or contracts (including a deemed contract pursuant to paragraph 8(1) or 8(2) of the Gas Code) for the supply to

the consumer of the gas offtaken by such User from the Total System at the Proposed Supply Point.

- 2.5.11 Where the Transporter does not reject the Supply Point Confirmation it will within 2 Business Days after the Supply Point Confirmation was communicated, give notice to the Proposing User acknowledging the Supply Point Confirmation.
- 2.5.12 By making a Supply Point Confirmation in respect of a New Smaller Supply Point comprising one Supply Meter Point then the Proposing User shall be deemed to have included within the Supply Point Confirmation such relevant information as described under paragraph 2.4.2 as may be contained in the Supply Point Register in relation to the Proposed Supply Point.

## **2.6 Supply Point Confirmations: Smaller Supply Points**

- 2.6.1 A Supply Point Confirmation in respect of a Smaller Supply Point shall specify:
- (a) the identity of the Proposing User;
  - (b) the Supply Meter Point Reference Number in respect of one Supply Meter Point comprised in the Proposed Supply Point, and the Meter Post Code of such Supply Meter Point;
  - (c) the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date; and
  - (d) the proposed Meter Reading Frequency.
- 2.6.2 the Transporter will reject the Supply Point Confirmation where:
- (a) the Supply Point Confirmation is not made strictly in accordance with the requirements of paragraph 2.6.1; or
  - (b) in the case of paragraph 2.6.1(b), the Supply Meter Point Reference Number specified is not identified in the Supply Point Register with the specified Meter Post Code

and the Transporter may reject the Supply Point Confirmation where the Supply Point Confirmation does not comply with any other requirement provided for in this Section G or in any other case where such rejection is provided for in the Code.

- 2.6.3 Where the Transporter rejects the Supply Point Confirmation the Transporter will within 2 Business Days after the Supply Point Confirmation was communicated, inform the Proposing User of the provision of the Code pursuant to which the Supply Point Confirmation was rejected (and where such rejection was pursuant to paragraph 2.6.2(a), the requirement of paragraph 2.6.1 which was not complied with).
- 2.6.4 The Proposing User may in respect of a Smaller Supply Point cancel its Supply Point Confirmation in accordance with paragraph 2.8.1(c), where:
- (a) a Consumer has cancelled the contract, or contracts, for the supply to the Consumer of the gas offtaken by such User from the Total System at the Proposed Supply Point, or where the Proposing User will not be the supplier,



the supplier has informed the Proposing User that a cancellation of such contract or contracts has occurred; or

- (b) the Proposing User has submitted a Supply Point Confirmation which is made in error.

2.6.5 The Proposing User will not submit a Confirmation in accordance with this paragraph 2.6 (in respect of a New Smaller Supply Point comprising one Supply Meter Point) where such Proposing User is aware that the Annual Quantity in respect of such Supply Point is greater than 73,200 kWh (2,5000 therms) and in such case any application in respect of the same shall be made in accordance with paragraph 2.3.

## **2.7 Supply Point Confirmations: Larger Supply Points and Smaller Supply Points subject to nomination**

2.7.1 A Supply Point Confirmation in respect of a Larger Supply Point or Smaller Supply Point subject pursuant to paragraph 2.1.2(a) to the requirement to be Nominated shall specify:

- (a) the Supply Point Offer in respect of which it is made;
- (b) the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date; and
- (c) where the Annual Quantity in respect of the Supply Point is greater than 732,000 kWh (25,000 therms), the details (for making contact in an Emergency) required under Section Q2.3.

2.7.2 Subject to paragraphs 2.4.7(b) and 2.4.10, the details (other than any expressly required in this Section to be included) which are the subject of the Supply Point Confirmation are those specified in the Supply Point Offer, and no other detail may be specified in the Supply Point Confirmation which would conflict with or qualify any such details.

2.7.3 Where:

- (a) the Proposed Supply Point includes a DM Supply Point Component; and
- (b) the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity is, or (in accordance with paragraph 2.4.5(b)) at any time before a Supply Point Confirmation is submitted becomes, greater than the Offered Supply Point Capacity

a Supply Point Confirmation may be submitted only for a Proposed Supply Point Registration Date falling within the Capacity Reduction Period.

2.7.4 Where the Proposed Supply Point includes a DM Supply Point Component, at any time after a Supply Point Confirmation is submitted but before the Supply Point Registration Date:

- (a) if:
  - (i) the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity becomes greater than the Offered Supply Point Capacity, as a result of the occurrence of a Supply Point Ratchet (pursuant to [Section B4.7.1](#)) in respect of any Existing Supply Point; or

- (ii) at the start of a Gas Year, the Bottom-Stop Supply Point Capacity becomes (pursuant to paragraph 5.2.3(a)(i)) greater than the Offered Supply Point Capacity

the Confirmed Supply Point Capacity will be the increased Prevailing Supply Point Capacity or (as the case may be) Bottom-Stop Supply Point Capacity;

- (b) if the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity becomes greater than the Offered Supply Point Capacity, as a result of the Registered User in respect of any Existing Supply Point applying for an increase in its Registered Supply Point Capacity, the Confirmed Supply Point Capacity will be the Offered Supply Point Capacity.

2.7.5 In the circumstances in paragraph 2.7.4(a) the Transporter may, but is not required to, notify the Proposing User of the increased Confirmed Supply Point Capacity before the Supply Point Registration Date, but will not later than the 5th Business Day after the Supply Point Registration Date notify to the Proposing User the revised Confirmed Supply Point Capacity and revised details of Supply Point Transportation Charges (and the Transporter's notification under paragraph 2.8.8 or 2.9.2 shall to that extent be provisional).

2.7.6 Where the Proposed Supply Point is a New Supply Point and the Existing Supply Points include both a Firm Supply Point and an Interruptible Supply Point a Supply Point Confirmation may only be submitted before a Change Request Deadline and for a Proposed Supply Point Registration Date which is the Eligible Status Change Date.

2.7.7 Without prejudice to paragraph 2.7.1 a Supply Point Commodity Rate Confirmation shall specify:

- (a) the Supply Point Offer in respect of which it is made;
- (b) the Supply Meter Point Reference Number in respect of the Supply Meter Points comprised in the Proposed Supply Point; and
- (c) the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date.

**2.8 Effect of Confirmation: Existing Supply Points not already withdrawn**

2.8.1 Where, at the time a User submits a Supply Point Confirmation which is not rejected by the Transporter, there is any Existing Supply Point in respect of which a Supply Point Withdrawal has not been submitted:

- (a) the Transporter will, within 2 Business Days after the Supply Point Confirmation was submitted, notify the Existing Registered User of the submission of the Supply Point Confirmation and the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date, but not the identity of the Proposing User;
- (b) the Existing Registered User may, up to but not after the 7th Business Day after the date of notification to the Existing Registered User of the submission of the Supply Point Confirmation ("**Objection Deadline**"), submit to the Transporter an objection ("**Supply Point Objection**") in respect of such Existing Supply Point provided that the Existing Registered User shall not submit such Supply Point Objection where a domestic consumer supplied with gas at the Existing

Supply Point has ceased or is to cease to own or occupy the relevant premises;  
and

- (c) the Proposing User may, subject to paragraph 2.8.8 (in the case of a Smaller Point) up to but not after the 8th Business Day before the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date (the Objection Deadline) submit to the Transporter a cancellation ("**Supply Point Confirmation Cancellation**") in respect of such Supply Point Confirmation.

2.8.2 No Supply Point Objection may be submitted, nor (if purportedly submitted) shall be effective:

- (a) by an Existing Registered User, after the Objection Deadline; nor
- (b) (for the avoidance of doubt) in respect of an Existing Supply Point in respect of which the Existing Registered User has submitted a Supply Point Withdrawal.

2.8.3 Where a User submits a Supply Point Objection to the Transporter:

- (a) the objecting User is required to declare its identity in the objection;
- (b) the Transporter will, within 2 Business Days after the Supply Point Objection was submitted, notify such objection, including (where declared in the objection) the identity of the objecting User, to the Proposing User;
- (c) where the objecting User did not comply with the requirement in paragraph (a):
  - (i) the Transporter will not reject the Supply Point Objection (which will accordingly be effective for the purposes of paragraph 2.8.6);
  - (ii) the Transporter will, if requested by the Proposing User, provide to the Proposing User the identity of the objecting User as soon as is reasonably practicable but (as is acknowledged by each User) does not undertake to do so before the Objection Deadline; and
- (d) the objecting User will declare in the objection the reason for its objection and if the objecting User fails to do so the Transporter may reject such Supply Point Objection which accordingly will not be effective for the purposes of paragraph 2.8.6;
- (e) and that Supply Point Objection was raised at the request (whether directly or indirectly) of the Consumer in respect of the affected Existing Supply Point, the Transporter will, where the reasons for the objection have been provided to the Transporter by the objecting User, within 2 Business Days after the Supply Point Objection was submitted, notify such reasons to the Proposing User.

2.8.4 The Transporter:

- (a) will not be concerned with the reason for any Supply Point Objection nor with any question as to whether such an objection is well founded;
- (b) shall, for the purposes of paragraph 2.8.1(b), notify the Existing Registered User of any notification received by the Transporter from the Proposing User that a domestic consumer supplied with gas at the Existing Supply Point has

ceased or is to cease to own or occupy the relevant premises and the Transporter will not be concerned with the reason for such notification nor with any question as to whether such notification is well founded.

- 2.8.5 A User may withdraw a Supply Point Objection up to but not after:
- (a) the 7th Business Day after the Supply Point Objection was made; or
  - (b) if earlier, the Objection Deadline.
- 2.8.6 Where a Supply Point Objection is made and is not withdrawn in accordance with paragraph 2.8.5, the Supply Point Confirmation shall lapse and be of no effect, and the Transporter will so inform each Existing Registered User not later than the fifth Day before the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date.
- 2.8.7 Where no Supply Point Objection is made, or all (if any) Supply Point Objections made are withdrawn, or where the Supply Point Objection has been rejected by the Transporter in accordance with paragraph 2.8.3(d):
- (a) subject to paragraph 2.11, the Supply Point Confirmation shall be effective and the Supply Meter Points comprised in the Proposed Supply Point shall be registered in the name of the Proposing User with effect from the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date; and
  - (b) each Existing Registered User shall be deemed to have submitted a Supply Point Withdrawal in accordance with paragraph 3 in respect of the relevant Existing Supply Point.
- 2.8.8 In the case of a Supply Point Confirmation within paragraph 2.8.1, after the Objection Deadline and not later than the fifth Day before the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date:
- (a) the Transporter will notify the Proposing User whether the Supply Point Confirmation has become effective, setting out (where it has become effective, and without prejudice to paragraph 2.7.5) the details of the Supply Point to be recorded in the Supply Point Register;
  - (b) (where the Supply Point Confirmation has become effective) the Transporter will notify the User (which was the Existing Registered User immediately preceding the effective date of the Supply Point Confirmation) of the identity of the Proposing User (that has become the Registered User) and the identity of the supplier (that has become the supplier) in respect of the Supply Point recorded in the Supply Point Register and which is the subject of such Supply Point Confirmation.

**2.9 Effect of Confirmation: Existing Supply Points already withdrawn**

- 2.9.1 Where at the time a User submits a Supply Point Confirmation which is not rejected by the Transporter, a Supply Point Withdrawal has been submitted by the Existing Registered User in respect of each Existing Supply Point, subject to paragraph 2.11 the Supply Point Confirmation shall be effective and the Supply Meter Points comprised in the Proposed Supply Point shall be registered in the name of the Proposing User with effect from the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date.

- 2.9.2 In the case of a Supply Point Confirmation within paragraph 2.9.1, the Transporter will notify the Proposing User, as soon as reasonably practicable and not later than the fifth Day before the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date, that the Supply Point Confirmation has become effective, setting out (without prejudice to paragraph 2.7.5) the details of the Supply Point to be recorded in the Supply Point Register.

## **2.10 Supply Point Confirmation: Effect of Isolation**

- 2.10.1 A Supply Meter Point comprised in a Proposed Supply Point for which a Supply Point Confirmation has been submitted may, at the request of the Existing Registered User, be Isolated on any Day before (but not on or after) the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date.
- 2.10.2 Where a Supply Meter Point comprised in a Proposed Supply Point (for which a Supply Point Confirmation has been submitted) has been Isolated the Supply Point Confirmation may (in accordance with paragraph 2.8.7(a) or 2.9.1) become effective and the Proposing User will be the Registered User of a Supply Point which includes the Isolated Supply Meter Point.

## **2.11 Effect of Confirmation: New Supply Point**

- 2.11.1 A Supply Point Confirmation in respect of a New Supply Point (other than one which comprises only New Supply Meter Points) shall not become effective and shall lapse (whether or not any Existing Registered User submitted or withdrew a Supply Point Objection) unless the requirement in paragraph 2.11.2 is satisfied.
- 2.11.2 The requirement referred to in paragraph 2.11.1 is that Supply Point Confirmations (whether submitted by the Existing Registered User or another User as Proposing User), for Proposed Supply Point Registration Date(s) the same as that for such New Supply Point, become effective for Proposed Supply Points which comprise all (if any) and only the Supply Meter Points (including any which are or are to be Isolated) which are comprised in each Existing Supply Point, other than that or those comprised in such New Supply Point.
- 2.11.3 the Transporter will not be concerned with the fact that, or the reason for which, any Existing Registered User may not submit a Supply Point Confirmation for the purposes of paragraph 2.11.1.
- 2.11.4 For the avoidance of doubt, it will be necessary for the Existing Registered User(s) to have submitted a Supply Point Nomination in sufficient time to have received a Supply Point Offer to allow any Supply Point Confirmation required under paragraph 2.11.1 to be submitted.

## **3 SUPPLY POINT WITHDRAWAL AND ISOLATION**

### **3.1 Supply Point Withdrawal**

- 3.1.1 In order for a User to cease to be the Registered User in respect of a Supply Point:
- (a) a User must submit, or be deemed in accordance with paragraph 2.8.7(b) to submit, a request ("**Supply Point Withdrawal**") for withdrawal; and
  - (b) the Supply Point Withdrawal must become effective

in accordance with this paragraph 3.

- 3.1.2 The Registered User in respect of a Supply Point (the "**Withdrawing Supply Point**") may at any time submit to the Transporter a Supply Point Withdrawal specifying:
  - (a) the identity of the User (the "**Withdrawing User**"); and
  - (b) the Supply Point Registration Number of, and the Supply Meter Point Reference Number of one of the Supply Meter Points (the "**Withdrawing Supply Meter Points**") comprised in, the Withdrawing Supply Point.
- 3.1.3 Where a User submits or is deemed to submit a Supply Point Withdrawal, subject to paragraph 2.10.1, the User may but is not obliged to secure Isolation of any of the Withdrawing Supply Meter Points.
- 3.1.4 The Transporter will make available to all Users details of those Withdrawing Supply Meter Points which at any time have not become comprised in a Proposed Supply Point in respect of which a Supply Point Confirmation has become effective, identifying each Supply Meter Point (if any) which is or is to be Isolated.
- 3.1.5 Where a Withdrawing Supply Meter Point is comprised in a Proposed Supply Point for which the Supply Point Confirmation becomes effective, the Transporter will so notify the Withdrawing User not later than 2 Business Days after the date on which it is known that the Supply Point Confirmation will become effective.
- 3.1.6 Where a User submits a Supply Point Withdrawal in respect of a Supply Point which comprises Shared Supply Meter Point(s) the Transporter will inform each other Sharing Registered User of the submission of such withdrawal.

**3.2 Effect of withdrawal**

- 3.2.1 A Supply Point Withdrawal shall become effective ("**Effective Supply Point Withdrawal**") only where each of the Withdrawing Supply Meter Points:
  - (a) is comprised in another Supply Point (of which the Registered User may be the Withdrawing User); and/or
  - (b) has been Isolated in accordance with paragraph 3.4

and the date of the Effective Supply Point Withdrawal shall be:

- (i) in the case of paragraph (a), the Supply Point Registration Date (of such other Supply Point); and
  - (ii) in the case of paragraph (b), the later of the date of such Isolation and the date of the Supply Point Withdrawal, or in the case of (a) and (b) the latest of any such date.
- 3.2.2 For so long as a Supply Point Withdrawal has not become effective in accordance with paragraph 3.2.1, the Withdrawing User shall remain liable for Supply Point Transportation Charges in respect of the Withdrawing Supply Point determined on the basis of the Supply Point Capacity, LDZ Capacity and (where applicable) NTS Exit Capacity held immediately before the submission of the Supply Point Withdrawal (or in

the case of an NDM Supply Point Component such capacities as revised with effect from 1 October in any Gas Year in accordance with Section H4 by reference to the new Annual Quantities and End User Categories) and for the purposes of Aggregate NDM Reconciliation the Annual Quantity of the Withdrawing Supply Point will continue to be included for the purposes of Section E7.2.2.

3.2.3 When a Supply Point Withdrawal has become effective in accordance with paragraph 3.2.1, the User shall cease to be the Registered User and the Supply Point (and the Supply Point Registration) shall be cancelled.

3.2.4 A Supply Point Withdrawal in respect of a Supply Point which comprises a Shared Supply Meter Point(s) shall be effective on the 15th Business Day after submission thereof, irrespective of whether any Shared Supply Meter Point has been Isolated, except where all of the Sharing Registered Users submit Supply Point Withdrawals on the same Day, in which case such withdrawals shall become effective only in accordance with paragraph 3.2.1.

### 3.3 **Withdrawal: Closing Meter Read**

3.3.1 Where a Supply Point Withdrawal becomes effective (under paragraph 3.2.1) in respect of an NDM Supply Meter Point and the Proposing User provides an Opening Meter Reading in accordance with Section M3.8, the Transporter will, within 5 Business Days after such Meter Reading was provided to it, notify such Meter Reading to the Withdrawing User and inform the Withdrawing User whether it passed the validation referred to in Section M3.3.8.

3.3.2 In accordance with Section M3.8.2 an Opening Meter Reading for an NDM Supply Meter Point obtained within a period of 5 Business Days commencing on the Day 2 Business Days before the Supply Point Registration Date will be deemed for all purposes of the Code to have been obtained on the Supply Point Registration Date (and the Reconciliation Values determined accordingly).

### 3.4 **Isolation: General**

3.4.1 For the purposes of the Code and subject to paragraph 3.8:

- (a) **"Isolation"** of a Supply Meter Point shall mean the amendment of the Supply Point Register in accordance with paragraph 3.5.4 for the purposes of securing that gas cannot be offtaken from the Total System at such point and **"Isolate"** shall be construed accordingly;
- (b) **"Re-establish"** shall mean the re-setting by the Transporter of the previously recorded Isolation status of a Supply Meter Point to indicate that gas can be offtaken from the Total System at such Point and **"Re-established"** and **"Re-establishment"** shall each be construed accordingly; and
- (c) **"T/PR/GT4"** is the document relating to the cessation of the flow of gas entitled Transporters Sealing of Equipment to Protect against Theft of Gas and Tampering, as published by the Transporters from time to time.

3.4.2 For the avoidance of doubt and subject to paragraph 3.4.3, where a Supply Meter Point has been Isolated (and unless and until an Effective Supply Point Withdrawal) the

Registered User of the Supply Point in which it is comprised shall continue to be responsible for gas offtaken from the Total System at the Supply Meter Point.

- 3.4.3 In the case of a NDM Supply Meter Point which has been Isolated (and unless and until it is Re-established in accordance with paragraph 3.7) NDM Supply Meter Point Demand will cease to be determined in respect of that NDM Supply Meter Point in accordance with Section H2.

### **3.5 Isolation request**

- 3.5.1 A Registered Supply Meter Point may be Isolated subject to and in accordance with this paragraph 3.5.

- 3.5.2 For the purposes of paragraph 3.5.1 the User shall:

- (a) provide to the Transporter a notification complying with the following:
  - (i) specify the identity of the User;
  - (ii) specify the relevant Supply Point Registration Number, and the Supply Meter Point Reference Number of the Supply Meter Point;
  - (iii) specify the date on which gas ceased to flow;
  - (iv) contain a Valid Meter Reading obtained on the date set out in subparagraph (iii) above;
  - (v) specify whether the Supply Meter Installation remains connected at the Supply Meter Point;
- (b) have complied with paragraph 3.5.5.

- 3.5.3 Subject to paragraph 3.5.4, within one Day of receipt of a notice complying with paragraph 3.5.2 the Transporter will amend the Supply Point Register to set the status of the Supply Meter Point to "**Isolated**".

- 3.5.4 Where the Supply Meter Point is a Shared Supply Meter Point the Transporter will not amend the Supply Point Register pursuant to paragraph 3.5.3 unless all Sharing Registered Users warrant that gas flow at all Supply Meter Points has ceased.

- 3.5.5 Where a User provides a notification in accordance with paragraph 3.5.2 such User shall have taken all reasonable steps to ensure that all work to cease the flow of gas has been carried out by suitably competent personnel using that degree of skill, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced person complying with applicable law, recognised industry standards and T/PR/GT4, engaged in the same type of undertaking and the Transporter will be entitled to assume that the User has complied with such obligation.

- 3.5.6 The Transporter will not amend the Supply Point Register pursuant to paragraph 3.5.3 in the event that:

- (a) the notification submitted pursuant to paragraph 3.5.2 does not comply with the requirements set out in such paragraph; or



- (b) the User submitting the notification is not the Registered User for the relevant Supply Meter Point on the Day that the notice is received by the Transporter.

3.5.7 A Supply Meter Point will be treated as Isolated for the purposes of the Code (until and unless Re-established in accordance with paragraph 3.7) with effect from the Day on which the Supply Point Register was amended pursuant to paragraph 3.5.3.

### **3.6 Urgent Cessation of Flow of Gas**

3.6.1 Nothing in the Code shall prevent the Transporter from ceasing the flow of gas at any Supply Meter Point where it appears to the Transporter that it is necessary to do so for the purposes of ensuring safety; and, for the avoidance of doubt, where it does so the Transporter shall not be in breach of its obligation to make gas available for offtake.

3.6.2 Where pursuant to paragraph 3.6.1 the Transporter undertakes work to cease the flow of gas at a Supply Meter Point other than at the request of the Registered User:

- (a) the Transporter will inform the Registered User as soon as reasonably practicable after undertaking work to cease the flow of gas;
- (b) nothing in the Code shall make the Registered User liable to make any payment to the Transporter in respect of the undertaking work to cease the flow of gas.

### **3.7 Re-establishment**

3.7.1 Where a Supply Meter Point has been Isolated in accordance with paragraph 3.5.4 and the Transporter becomes aware that gas is capable of being offtaken at that time (without further action being taken) from the Total System at such point then the Transporter shall notify the Registered User of such fact.

3.7.2 Where a Supply Meter Point has been Isolated and the Registered User becomes aware (whether pursuant to paragraph 3.7.1 or otherwise) that gas is capable of being offtaken at that time (without further action being taken) from the Total System at such point it shall forthwith notify the Transporter of such fact and the Transporter shall Re-establish such Supply Meter Point.

3.7.3 For the avoidance of doubt, in the case of an NDM Supply Meter Point which has been Re-established, NDM Supply Meter Point Demand will be determined in respect of that NDM Supply Meter Point in accordance with Section H2 from the date of such Re-establishment.

3.7.4 Where a Supply Meter Point has been Isolated and is Re-established, and an Effective Supply Point Withdrawal has not occurred and the Supply Meter continues to remain physically connected to a System during the period from the date of Isolation to the date of Re-establishment then where gas was or is being offtaken from the Total System during such period, each Registered User in respect of the period for which it is or was the Registered User shall be liable for all charges (including without limitation Transportation Charges) associated with such Supply Meter Point as if it had not been so Isolated.

3.7.5 Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph 3.7.4 where a Supply Meter Point has been Isolated and an Effective Supply Point Withdrawal has occurred and the Supply Meter continues to remain physically connected to a System then:

- (a) where gas was or is being offtaken at such Supply Meter Point during such period the Relevant Registered User at the time of Isolation shall be liable for all charges (including without limitation Transportation Charges) associated with such Supply Meter Point, as if an Isolation or Effective Supply Point Withdrawal had not occurred;
- (b) where gas has not been offtaken (but is capable of being offtaken without further action being taken) at such Supply Meter Point during such period then the Relevant Registered User shall be liable for Capacity Charges and Customer Charges associated with such Supply Meter Point, as if an Isolation or Effective Supply Point Withdrawal had not occurred.

3.7.6 **"Relevant Registered User"** is the Registered User for the period commencing on the date of Isolation and ending on the next Supply Point Registration Date.

3.7.7 Charges payable in accordance with paragraph 3.7.5 shall cease to accrue on the date when a notice has been received by the Transporter that suitable works have been undertaken to ensure that the Supply Meter Point is no longer capable of offtaking gas (without further action being taken) or until Re-establishment, provided that the Transporter will be entitled to levy such charges where the Transporter discovers that suitable works have not been undertaken.

### **3.8 Disablement of Supply**

3.8.1 In the event that a Supply Meter Point is Isolated and:

- (a) the Supply Meter Installation remains physically connected to a System, the User who is the Registered User at the time of such Isolation shall ensure that upon Effective Supply Point Withdrawal such Supply Meter Installation is physically disconnected from the System within 12 months from the date of such Effective Supply Point Withdrawal; and
- (b) in the event that the Supply Meter Installation is not physically disconnected within the period specified in sub-paragraph (a) above the Transporter will (where no supply of gas is required at the Supply Meter Point) take such actions to disable the flow of gas and the User who was the Registered User at the time of Effective Supply Point Withdrawal shall pay the Transporter's costs (as contained in the Transporter's Transportation Statement) in respect thereof.

## **4 Compensation Rules**

### **4.1 Responding to Supply Point Nominations**

4.1.1 For the purposes of this paragraph 4.1:

- (a) the Transporter **"responds"** to a Supply Point Nomination by rejecting such nomination (in accordance with paragraph 2.3.6) or submitting a Supply Point Offer (in accordance with paragraph 2.4.1) or submitting a referral notice (in accordance with paragraph 2.3.8); and the Transporter **"further"** responds to a referred Supply Point Nomination by submitting a Supply Point Offer (in accordance with paragraph 2.4.1);

- (b) periods within which the Transporter is to respond to a Supply Point Nomination run from the Business Day after the Supply Point Nomination was submitted; and
- (c) a Supply Point Nomination is "**referred**" where paragraph 2.3.8 applies in relation thereto.

4.1.2 The Transporters will respond within 12 Business Days to not less than 97% of the referred Supply Point Nominations submitted by each User in any calendar month.

4.1.3 If, in respect of the referred Supply Point Nominations submitted by a User in any calendar month, the Transporters do not comply with the requirement in paragraph 4.1.2, the Transporters will (subject to the further provisions of the Code) pay to the User an amount calculated as:

$$((0.97 * A) - B - C) * £30$$

where for the relevant month:

- A is the number of referred Supply Point Nominations submitted by the User in that month;
- B is the number of referred Supply Point Nominations submitted by the User in that month to which the Transporters did respond within 12 Business Days; and
- C is the number of referred Supply Point Nominations where:
  - (a) the Transporter reasonably considered that a site visit was necessary (in accordance with the further provisions of this Section G); and
  - (b) the Transporter was unable to perform such site visit within 12 Business Days as a result of failure, acting reasonably, to obtain any consents necessary to undertake such site visit (and the Transporter shall not be required to seek any such consent after the 10th Business Day).

4.1.4 The Transporter will (subject to the further provisions of this paragraph 4) pay to the User £50 in respect of each referred Supply Point Nomination submitted by a User, if the Transporter does not respond within 17 Business Days provided that the Transporter will not be liable to pay such amounts where:

- (a) the Transporter reasonably considered that a site visit was necessary (in accordance with the further provisions of this Section G); and
- (b) the Transporter was unable to perform such site visit within 17 Business Days as a result of failure, acting reasonably, to obtain any consents necessary to undertake such site visit (and the Transporter shall not be required to seek any such consent after the 15th Business Day).

4.1.5 Amounts payable under paragraph 4.1.4 are in addition to and irrespective of any amounts which may become payable in respect of any month under paragraph 4.1.3.

4.1.6 For the purposes of Section V10 the rules in paragraphs 4.1.3 and 4.1.4, are Compensation Rules within Compensation Group G; and in relation thereto the 'payment month' is the second month following that in which the relevant Supply Point Nomination was submitted.

## **4.2 Rejected Supply Point Confirmations**

4.2.1 Where:

- (a) a Supply Point Offer submitted by the Transporter does not comply with the applicable requirements of Section G2.4 and the UK Link Manual;
- (b) the Proposing User submitted a Supply Point Confirmation (on the basis of such Supply Point Offer) in accordance with the requirements of this Section G; and
- (c) as a result of the Supply Point Offer's non-compliance (referred to in paragraph (a)) such Supply Point Confirmation was rejected

then paragraph 4.2.2 shall apply.

4.2.2 Where this paragraph 4.2.2 applies, the Transporter will (subject to the further provisions of the Code) pay to the Proposing User an amount of £50 for each Supply Point Confirmation rejected as described in paragraph 4.2.1(c).

4.2.3 For the purposes of Section V10, the rule in paragraph 4.2.2 is a Compensation Rule within Compensation Group E, and in relation thereto and subject to paragraph 4.2.4 the 'payment month' is the second month following that in which the Supply Point Confirmation was submitted.

4.2.4 The Transporter will not and is not required to monitor its performance in relation to the Compensation Rules under this paragraph 4.2, and will not be required to make any payment under this paragraph 4.2 unless the User in question notifies to the Transporter the circumstances in which such payment is due not later than the expiry of the second month following that in which the Supply Point Confirmation was submitted, in which case the payment month becomes the second month after the month of such notification.

## **4.3 Site visits**

4.3.1 The Transporter shall be taken to have completed a Site Visit Appointment where the Transporter attends at the Supply Point Premises on a date which complies with paragraph 1.18; and

- (a) the Transporter investigates the relevant matter (as described in paragraph 1.18); or
- (b) the User did not attend if required to do so in accordance with paragraph 1.18.3; or
- (c) the Transporter was unable (after reasonable attempts to do so at the time of its visit) to obtain access to the Supply Point Premises.

- 4.3.2 If the Transporter does not complete all Site Visit Appointments in a calendar month, the Transporter will (subject to the further provisions of the Code) pay to the User an amount calculated as:

$$(A) - B) * £20$$

where for the relevant month:

- A is the number of Site Visit Appointments due to be carried out in that month;
- B is the number of Site Visit Appointments completed in accordance with paragraph 4.3.1.

- 4.3.3 For the purposes of Section V10, the rule in paragraph 4.3.2 is a Compensation Rule within Compensation Group H; and in relation thereto the 'payment month' is the second month following that in which the relevant Site Visit Appointment was due to be carried out.

#### **4.4 Conventional Notices**

This paragraph 4 shall not apply in respect of a User who has elected under paragraph 1.13.1 to give Code Communications as Conventional Notices.

### **5 DM SUPPLY POINT CAPACITY AND OFFTAKE RATE**

#### **5.1 Introduction**

- 5.1.1 Except for paragraph 5.6, this paragraph 5 applies only in respect of DM Supply Point Components.
- 5.1.2 The Supply Point Capacity which a User is registered as holding at a DM Supply Point Component shall be subject to minimum and maximum requirements in accordance with this paragraph 5.
- 5.1.3 Subject to the provisions of this paragraph 5, the Registered User of a DM Supply Point Component may apply to reduce or increase its Registered DM Supply Point Capacity by making a Capacity Revision Application.
- 5.1.4 An application ("**Capacity Revision Application**") to revise (by increasing or decreasing) Registered DM Supply Point Capacity shall specify:
- (a) the Supply Point Registration Number;
  - (b) the Supply Meter Point Reference Number of the DM Supply Meter Point, or (where there is more than one DM Supply Meter Point) the relevant DM Supply Meter Point, comprised in the Supply Point Component;
  - (c) the revised Supply Point Capacity and (in accordance with paragraph 5.3.2) Supply Point Offtake Rate;

- (d) the date in accordance with paragraph 5.1.5 with effect from which the revision is to take effect;
- (e) the proposed Annual Quantity for the DM Supply Meter Point, or (where there is more than one DM Supply Meter Point) the relevant DM Supply Meter Point, comprised in such Supply Point Component;
- (f) whether a Compressor or Booster will be installed in respect of such Supply Point Component; and
- (g) the identity of the relevant Registered User making the Capacity Revision Application and the telephone number and email address of its contact representative.

5.1.5 The date under paragraph 5.1.4(d) shall be:

- (a) except in paragraph (b), 5 Business Days; or
- (b) where it will (in accordance with paragraph 5.5) be necessary for the Transporter to assess the feasibility of making gas available for offtake, 21 Business Days,

after the date upon which the application is submitted.

5.1.6 A User may withdraw a Capacity Revision Application by notice to the Transporter not less than 2 Business Days before the date specified pursuant to paragraph 5.1.4(d).

5.1.7 The Transporter may reject a Capacity Revision Application or an application (in accordance with paragraph 5.3.2) for a revised Supply Point Offtake Rate:

- (a) in the case of a Capacity Revision Application, where the requirements of paragraph 5.1.4 are not complied with, or (in the case of an application for an increase in Supply Point Capacity) in accordance with Section V3; and
- (b) where any other requirement of this paragraph 5 is not complied with, or in accordance with any provision of this paragraph 5 which provides for such rejection.

5.1.8 Subject to paragraph 5.1.7, the Transporter will approve a Capacity Revision Application or (pursuant to paragraph 5.3.2) an application for a revised Supply Point Offtake Rate, and will inform the Registered User where such application is approved.

5.1.9 For the purposes of assessing the feasibility of making gas available for offtake, the Transporter may request the Registered User to provide any of the following information:

- (a) the amount, resulting from such increase, of any reduction in the Supply Point Capacity relating to any other DM Supply Meter Point(s) comprised in the DM Supply Point Component and the MPRN Number of such affected DM Supply Meter Point(s);
- (b) the proposed Annual Load Profile and Daily Load Profile;
- (c) the date from which the load profile is required;

and following such request the Registered User shall promptly provide the same to the Transporter.

- 5.1.10 Where it is necessary for the Transporter to assess the feasibility of making gas available for offtake in accordance with paragraph 5.1.5(b), the Transporter will provide a response in accordance with paragraph 5.1.7 or 5.1.8 no later than the 18<sup>th</sup> Business Day following the date of receipt of the Capacity Revision Application.
- 5.1.11 Where requested by the Transporter, for the purpose of enabling the Transporter to assess the Capacity Revision Application, the Registered User will promptly procure permission for the Transporter to visit the premises at which the DM Supply Meter Point is situated and access thereto.
- 5.1.12 Requests for information by the Transporter in accordance with paragraph 5.1.9 and provision of information by the Registered User in accordance with paragraph 5.1.4(e), (f) and (g) and paragraph 5.1.9(a), (b) and (c) shall be communicated by facsimile or email.
- 5.1.13 For the purposes of paragraph 5.1:
- (a) **“Annual Load Profile”** is the quantity (in MWh) of gas which it is anticipated will be offtaken at the DM Supply Point Component for each month of the Gas Year so as to show the within year variation of demand on a monthly basis.
  - (b) **“Booster”** is a device (typically a centrifugal fan arrangement), located downstream of the outlet of the customer control valve, used to raise the pressure of gas by up to 200 mbar across the device.
  - (c) **“Compressor”** is a device (typically a reciprocating or screw type arrangement), located downstream of the outlet of the customer control valve on the service pipe, used to raise the pressure of gas by up to 40 mbar across the device.
  - (d) **“Daily Load Profile”** is the rate (in kWh/hour) at which it is anticipated that gas will be offtaken at the DM Supply Point Component for each hour within the Day so as to show the within day variation of demand on an hourly basis.
  - (e) **“relevant DM Supply Meter Point”** is:
    - (i) in the case of an application to increase capacity, the DM Supply Meter Point through which gas will be offtaken in respect of such increase,
    - (ii) where a decrease only is required (other than as a result of an increase at another DM Supply Meter Point comprised in the DM Supply Point Component) the DM Supply Meter Point through which gas will be offtaken in respect of such decrease.

## 5.2 Minimum capacity requirements

5.2.1 Subject to paragraph 5.2.10 a Registered User's Supply Point Capacity at a DM Supply Point Component:

- (a) shall not at any time be less than the Bottom-Stop Supply Point Capacity; and

- (b) except within the Capacity Reduction Period or in accordance with paragraph 2.7.4(b), shall not upon the Supply Point Registration Date be less than, or thereafter be reduced below, the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity.
- 5.2.2 For the purposes of the Code "**Capacity Reduction Period**" means the months of October, November, December and January in any Gas Year.
- 5.2.3 Subject to paragraph 5.2.4, at any time in the Gas Year:
- (a) subject to paragraph (d), the "**Bottom-Stop**" Supply Point Capacity in respect of a DM Supply Point Component is:
- (i) the amount (the "**Preceding Year Maximum Capacity**") which is the highest User SPDQ for any Day (other than a Day in the months of June to September inclusive) in the Preceding Year, but not exceeding the Maximum Supply Point Capacity; or
- (ii) if higher, but only in the case of a Firm DM Supply Point Component, where there has been a Supply Point Ratchet (in accordance with Section B4.7) in the Gas Year, the amount of the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity (subject to and in accordance with paragraph 5.5.5) following such (or if more than one, the most recent) Supply Point Ratchet;
- (b) any New Supply Meter Point, and any Supply Meter Point which has become a DM Supply Meter Point, shall be disregarded in determining the Preceding Year Maximum Capacity of a DM Supply Point Component until the Gas Year which commences next after the first month of June which falls after the First Supply Point Registration Date or (as the case may be) the date on which the Supply Meter Point became DM;
- (c) subject to paragraphs 5.2.5 and 5.2.6, the "**Prevailing**" Supply Point Capacity in respect of the DM Supply Point Component of a Supply Point is the Supply Point Capacity for the time being held by the Registered User; and
- (d) in the case of a DM Supply Point Component which comprises Shared Supply Meter Point(s):
- (i) the "**Aggregate Bottom-Stop Capacity**" shall be the amount determined (irrespective of whether there were, or which Users were, Sharing Registered Users at any relevant time) as the aggregate of the Bottom-Stop Supply Point Capacities in accordance with paragraphs (a)(i) and (ii) for all DM Supply Point Component(s) which comprised such Supply Meter Point(s);
- (ii) for the purposes of paragraph (a)(i) the Day by reference to which the Preceding Year Maximum Capacities are determined shall be the Day of the highest aggregate User SPDQs in respect of all relevant Firm DM Supply Point Component(s);
- (iii) the Sharing Registered Users jointly, or a User Agent on their behalf, may from time to time notify to the Transporter the amounts, and changes in the amounts, which are to be the Bottom-Stop Supply Point



Capacities in respect of their respective Firm DM Supply Point Components, provided that in aggregate such amounts are equal to the Aggregate Bottom-Stop Capacity; and

- (iv) upon any change in the Users who are Sharing Registered Users, unless Bottom-Stop Supply Point Capacities are notified to the Transporter in accordance with paragraph (iii) not later than such change, the Bottom-Stop Supply Point Capacity in respect of each Firm DM Supply Point Component shall be the Aggregate Bottom-Stop Capacity divided by the number of Firm DM Supply Point Components.

5.2.4 In respect of the DM Supply Point Component of a Proposed Supply Point which is a New Supply Point:

- (a) the Preceding Year Maximum Capacity shall be determined as the highest relevant daily quantity (in accordance with paragraph 5.2.5(a)) in respect of any Day (other than a Day in the months of June to September inclusive) in the Preceding Year, but shall not exceed the Maximum Supply Point Capacity; and
- (b) the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity shall be determined as the sum of the scaled relevant daily quantities (in accordance with paragraph 5.2.5(b)) for each DM Supply Meter Point comprised in the Proposed Supply Point.

5.2.5 For the purposes of paragraph 5.2.4:

- (a) the relevant daily quantity in respect of a Day is the sum of the Supply Meter Point Daily Quantities (or, in the case of a Shared Supply Meter Point, the relevant proportion thereof) for each DM Supply Meter Point comprised in the Proposed Supply Point in respect of that Day;
- (b) the scaled relevant daily quantity in respect of a DM Supply Meter Point comprised in an Existing Supply Point is the selected daily quantity (under paragraph (c)), multiplied by the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity, divided by the Preceding Year Maximum Capacity, in respect of the Existing Supply Point;
- (c) for the purposes of paragraph (b), the selected daily quantity is the Supply Meter Point Daily Quantity (or, in the case of a Shared Supply Meter Point, the relevant proportion thereof) for the Supply Meter Point in respect of the Day by reference to which the Preceding Year Maximum Capacity was determined under paragraph 5.2.4(a);
- (d) a New Supply Meter Point comprised in the Proposed Supply Point shall be disregarded; and
- (e) for the purposes of paragraphs (a) and (c), the relevant proportion is such proportion as the Sharing Registered Users jointly or a User Agent on their behalf may notify to the Transporter before the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date, provided that such proportions aggregate unity, failing which such proportion shall be one divided by the number of DM Supply Point Components which comprise the Shared Supply Meter Point.

5.2.6 At any time at which a Supply Point Offer is outstanding in respect of a Proposed Supply Point which includes a DM Supply Point Component:

- (a) the Proposing User may before submitting a Supply Point Confirmation notify the Transporter that the User considers that the circumstances in paragraph 5.2.7 apply;
- (b) where a User so notifies the Transporter:
  - (i) the User shall at the same time provide to the Transporter details of the User's reasons for its view and of the Supply Point Capacity which the User considers should be the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity, and evidence therefor;
  - (ii) the Transporter will consider the details and evidence provided by the User, and where it is reasonably satisfied that the circumstances in paragraph 5.2.7 do apply, will (after consultation with the User) notify the User of a reduced Supply Point Capacity; and
  - (iii) if the User submits a further Nomination (for the purpose of this paragraph 5.2.6) in respect of the Proposed Supply Point, the reduced Supply Point Capacity under paragraph (ii) will be the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity for the purposes of the application of paragraph 2.7.3 in respect of any Supply Point Confirmation submitted by the User; and
- (c) where in the meantime the User has submitted a Supply Point Confirmation which has become effective, the User may by submitting a Supply Point Reconfirmation revise (consistently with such reduced Prevailing Supply Point Capacity) the Supply Point Capacity which it holds at the DM Supply Point Component, and (where the User does so) any Transportation Charges already invoiced and/or paid will be redetermined (but subject to paragraph 5.2.9) on the basis that the revised Supply Point Capacity was held with effect from the Supply Point Registration Date and appropriate invoicing adjustments made in accordance with Section S.

5.2.7 The circumstances referred to in paragraph 5.2.6 are that:

- (a) in applying for, or for an increase in, Supply Point Capacity, or in failing (in the Capacity Reduction Period) to apply for a reduction in Supply Point Capacity, an Existing Registered User acted either:
  - (i) in bad faith, in anticipation of or in consequence of the Proposing User's (or any other User's) Proposed Supply Point Registration; or
  - (ii) in good faith but in a manner which cannot reasonably be considered to have been commercially prudent for the Existing Registered User in the circumstances applicable to the Existing Registered User at the time; and
- (b) as a result, the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity is substantially higher than necessary.

5.2.8 For the purposes of paragraph 5.2.7:

- (a) the circumstances therein described do not include a change, since the application by the Existing Registered User for Supply Point Capacity or (as the case may be) an increase therein or the Capacity Reduction Period, in the nature or extent of the consumer's requirements for the supply of gas;
- (b) where the consumer's consumption of gas is weather-dependent, it shall not be considered commercially imprudent for the Existing Registered User to have held Supply Point Capacity equal to 1-in-20 peak day demand.

5.2.9 For the purposes of paragraph 5.2.6(c), no adjustment will be made in respect of any change in the Applicable Commodity Rate (where a function of Supply Point Capacity) in relation to any relevant Transportation Charge already invoiced or paid.

5.2.10 Where:

- (a) one of the Sharing Registered Users of a Supply Meter Point applies to increase its Registered Supply Point Capacity at a Firm DM Supply Point Component which includes such Supply Meter Point; and
- (b) another of such Sharing Registered Users applies to reduce its Registered Supply Point Capacity at such a Firm DM Supply Point Component with effect from the same date as, and by an amount which does not exceed the amount of, the increase applied for under paragraph (a)

then paragraph 5.2.1 shall not apply in respect of the application under paragraph (b).

### **5.3 Supply Point Offtake Rate**

5.3.1 The "**Supply Point Offtake Rate**" in respect of a DM Supply Point Component is the maximum instantaneous rate (in kWh/hour) at which a User is permitted to offtake gas from the Total System at that Supply Point Component.

5.3.2 A User shall apply for a Supply Point Offtake Rate or revised Supply Point Offtake Rate:

- (a) when submitting a Supply Point Nomination (as a Proposing User) in respect of a Proposed Supply Point which includes a DM Supply Point Component;
- (b) when submitting a Capacity Revision Application (whether to increase or in the Capacity Reduction Period to reduce its Supply Point Capacity) in respect of a Registered DM Supply Point Component; and
- (c) whenever the User becomes aware that the maximum offtake rate at a Registered DM Supply Point Component may be or has been subject to any increase.

5.3.3 Wherever a User applies for a Supply Point Offtake Rate or a revised Supply Point Offtake Rate:

- (a) the User shall estimate the maximum offtake rate, in good faith and after all appropriate enquiries of the consumer and on the basis of reasonable skill and care; and

- (b) the Supply Point Offtake Rate for which the User applies shall be not less than, nor substantially more than, such estimate.
- 5.3.4 A User shall take all reasonable steps to secure that it becomes aware of any increase (whether by reason of a change in the size or nature of, or the nature of the use of, the Consumer's Plant or otherwise) in the maximum offtake rate before and (in any event) as soon as reasonably practicable after such increase occurs (without prejudice to paragraph 5.5.4(c) or Section J3.8).
- 5.3.5 The Supply Point Offtake Rate prevailing at any time in respect of any DM Supply Point Component will be the Supply Point Offtake Rate specified in the Supply Point Offer, subject to any increase or decrease in such Supply Point Offtake Rate which has (at such time) been approved pursuant to paragraph 5.5.4.
- 5.3.6 In this paragraph 5.3, the "**maximum offtake rate**" is the maximum instantaneous rate (in kWh/hour) at which gas is or is likely to be offtaken from the Total System at a Registered DM Supply Point Component.
- 5.3.7 In relation to a DM Supply Point Component which comprises Shared Supply Meter Point(s), the maximum offtake rate is to be determined as at the time of the expected greatest instantaneous rate of offtake in aggregate at all of the Firm DM Supply Point Components which comprise such Shared Supply Meter Point(s).

#### **5.4 Absolute requirement**

- 5.4.1 A User's Supply Point Capacity in respect of a DM Supply Point Component shall not be greater than 24 times, or less than 4 times, the Supply Point Offtake Rate; provided that in the case of an NTS Supply Point Component the User's Supply Point Capacity shall be equal to 24 times the Supply Point Offtake Rate.
- 5.4.2 The Transporter will reject any Supply Point Nomination in respect of a Proposed Supply Point which includes a DM Supply Point Component where the Nominated Supply Point Capacity and Supply Point Offtake Rate are not in compliance with paragraph 5.4.1.
- 5.4.3 the Transporter will reject any Capacity Revision Application by the Registered User of a DM Supply Point Component where the Supply Point Offtake Rate (prevailing or applied for under paragraph 5.3.2(b)) and the increased or reduced Supply Point Capacity are not in compliance with paragraph 5.4.1.
- 5.4.4 In relation to a DM Supply Point Component which comprises Shared Supply Meter Point(s), the requirements in paragraph 5.4.1 shall apply by reference to the aggregate Supply Point Capacity held and the aggregate of the Supply Point Offtake Rates in respect of all the Firm DM Supply Point Components which comprise such Shared Supply Meter Point(s).

#### **5.5 Other requirements**

- 5.5.1 For the purposes of this Section G, in respect of a DM Supply Point Component:
- (a) the "**Maximum Supply Point Capacity**" is the quantity which (where it is necessary to do so under this Section G) the Transporter determines to be the

maximum quantity which it is feasible to make available for offtake in a 24 hour period at the DM Supply Point Component; and

- (b) the "**Maximum Supply Point Offtake Rate**" is the instantaneous rate of offtake (in kWh/hour) which (where it is necessary to do so under this Section G) the Transporter determines to be the maximum instantaneous rate at which it is feasible to make gas available for offtake at the DM Supply Point Component

in each case consistently with the requirements of paragraph 5.4.

5.5.2 The "**Provisional Maximum Supply Point Capacity**" in respect of the DM Supply Point Component of a Supply Point (other than a Proposed Supply Point which is a New Supply Point and other than an NTS Supply Point) is whichever is the lesser of:

- (a) 2 times the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity; and
- (b) 16 times the Supply Point Offtake Rate or (in the case of a Proposed Supply Point) Nominated Supply Point Offtake Rate.

5.5.3 Where a Proposing User submits a Supply Point Nomination (i) for a Current Supply Point, in which the Nominated Supply Point Capacity exceeds the Provisional Maximum Supply Point Capacity, or the Nominated Supply Point Offtake Rate exceeds the Supply Point Offtake Rate for the Existing Supply Point, or (ii) for a New Supply Point:

- (a) a Supply Point Offer will not be made until the Transporter has assessed whether it is feasible to make available gas for offtake at the Nominated Supply Point Offtake Rate or (in a 24 hour period) in the amount of the Nominated Supply Point Capacity;
- (b) where the Transporter determines that the Nominated Supply Point Capacity exceeds the Maximum Supply Point Capacity, the Supply Point Capacity specified in the Supply Point Offer will be the Maximum Supply Point Capacity; and
- (c) where the Transporter determines that the Nominated Supply Point Offtake Rate exceeds the Maximum Supply Point Offtake Rate, the Supply Point Offtake Rate specified in the Supply Point Offer will be the Maximum Supply Point Offtake Rate.

5.5.4 Where the Registered User of a DM Supply Point Component (i) submits a Capacity Revision Application (for an increase) in which the increased Supply Point Capacity exceeds the Provisional Maximum Supply Point Capacity, or the Supply Point Offtake Rate (applied for under paragraph 5.3.2(b)) exceeds the prevailing Supply Point Offtake Rate, or (ii) applies for an increased Supply Point Offtake Rate pursuant to paragraph 5.3.2(c):

- (a) the application will not be approved until the Transporter has assessed whether it is feasible to make available gas for offtake at the proposed Supply Point Offtake Rate or (in a 24 hour period) in the amount of the proposed Supply Point Capacity;

- (b) where the Transporter determines that the increased Supply Point Capacity applied for exceeds the Maximum Supply Point Capacity, the application will be approved (if otherwise approved under this paragraph 5) for the Maximum Supply Point Capacity;
  - (c) where the Transporter determines that the proposed Supply Point Offtake Rate exceeds the Maximum Supply Point Offtake Rate, the application will be approved (if otherwise approved under this paragraph 5, where relevant) for the Maximum Supply Point Offtake Rate.
- 5.5.5 Where, following the occurrence of a Supply Point Ratchet in relation to a Firm DM Supply Point Component, the sum of the Capacity Ratchet Amount and the User's Registered Supply Point Capacity would exceed the Provisional Maximum Supply Point Capacity:
- (a) with effect from the following Day, and until the Transporter has assessed whether it is feasible to make available gas for offtake (in a 24 hour period) in the amount of such sum, the Ratcheted Supply Point Capacity shall be equal to the Provisional Maximum Supply Point Capacity;
  - (b) with effect from the time at which the Transporter has assessed such feasibility, the Ratcheted Supply Point Capacity shall be equal to the lesser of:
    - (i) the Maximum Supply Point Capacity; and
    - (ii) the sum of the User's Registered Supply Point Capacity (immediately before the Supply Point Ratchet) and the Capacity Ratchet Amount; and
  - (c) the Transporter will inform the Registered User of the Ratcheted Supply Point Capacity determined under paragraph (b) as soon as reasonably practicable after assessing such feasibility.
- 5.5.6 In relation to a DM Supply Point Component which comprises Shared Supply Meter Point(s), this paragraph 5.5 and paragraph 6.3.4 shall apply by reference to the aggregate of the Supply Point Capacities and Supply Point Offtake Rates, and the rates and quantities at and in which it is feasible to make gas available for offtake in aggregate, at or in respect of all the Firm DM Supply Point Components which comprise such Shared Supply Meter Point(s); and accordingly any determination pursuant to this paragraph 5.5 or paragraph 6.3.4 will be made by reference to the expected increment in the aggregate offtake of gas from the Total System at the relevant Shared Supply Meter Point(s).
- 5.6 Maximum NDM offtake rate**
- 5.6.1 This paragraph 5.6 applies in respect of NDM Supply Point Components.
- 5.6.2 Where the Registered User becomes aware that (as a result in any change in the extent or nature of the consumer's requirements for consumption of gas) there will be or there has been a threshold rate increase in respect of an NDM Supply Point Component whose Annual Quantity exceeds 732,000 kWh (25,000 therms) paragraph 5.6.5 shall apply.

5.6.3 For the purposes of this paragraph 5.6, a "**threshold rate increase**" is an increase in the maximum rate at which gas is from time to time offtaken from the Total System at the NDM Supply Point Component of more than:

- (a) where the Annual Quantity does not exceed 2,196,000 kWh (*75,000 therms*), 100 kW;
- (b) where the Annual Quantity exceeds 2,196,000 kWh (*75,000 therms*), 300 kW.

5.6.4 The Registered User shall take all reasonable steps to secure that it is made aware of any threshold rate increase before such increase occurs.

5.6.5 In the circumstances in paragraph 5.6.2, the Registered User shall:

- (a) notify the Transporter not less than 21 Business Days before the first time at which the threshold rate increase will occur, or if later as soon as possible after becoming aware of such increase, providing reasonable details of the amount of or reason for the increase;
- (b) take reasonable steps to secure that no threshold rate increase, or no further offtake at the rate of the threshold rate increase, occurs until such time as the Transporter has either:
  - (i) provided to the User the notice referred to in paragraph (c); or
  - (ii) notified the User that it is feasible to make gas available for offtake at the Supply Point Component at the increased rate notified under paragraph (a); and
- (c) where the Transporter notifies to the User a rate which the Transporter determines as being the maximum instantaneous rate at which it is feasible to make gas available for offtake at the Supply Point Component, secure that the rate of offtake of gas does not exceed such rate.

5.6.6 The Transporter will not be obliged under any provision of the Code to make gas available for offtake at an NDM Supply Point Component at any rate in excess of a rate in respect of which the requirements of this paragraph 5.6 have been complied with.

## **6 INTERRUPTIBLE SUPPLY POINTS**

### **6.1 General**

6.1.1 (a) Subject to the further provisions of this paragraph 6, where at any time a Supply Point is eligible to be an Interruptible Supply Point in accordance with paragraph 6.2, the Registered User may by giving notice to the Transporter not later than the Change Request Deadline designate the Supply Point as being Interruptible with effect from an Eligible Status Change Date.

- (b) Subject to the further provisions of this paragraph 6, where at any time a Firm Supply Point, other than a Firm Supply Point in which any Shared Supply Meter Point is comprised, is eligible to be an Interruptible Supply Point in accordance with paragraph 6.2, the Registered User of that Firm Supply Point and the Registered User of an Interruptible Supply Point, other than an

Interruptible Supply Point in which any Shared Supply Meter Point is comprised, may, by giving written notice to the Transporter and on payment by the Registered User of the Interruptible Supply Point of the Administration Charges ( if any) set out in the Transportation Statement, designate the Firm Supply Point and the Interruptible Supply Point to be Partner Supply Points with effect from the notification by the Transporter being no more than 20 Business Days from the date of the notice to the Transporter, the Transporter may, from time to time issue guidelines to Registered Users to ensure that Partner Supply Points create an equivalent effect on the relevant System.

- (c) A Supply Point which has been designated by the Registered User and confirmed by the Transporter to be a Partner Supply Point will remain so designated until and unless its designation is cancelled by the Registered User by giving at least 10 Business Days' written notice to the Transporter, or in accordance with paragraph (d).
  - (d) Where another User is to become the Registered User of a Partner Supply Point, the Proposing User shall, at least 2 but not more than 7 Business Days prior to the proposed Supply Point Registration Date notify the Transporter of such change. The Partner Supply Point shall transfer to the new Registered User from the Supply Point Registration Date as a Partner Supply Point.
  - (e) Where the Partner Interruptible Supply Point has a Firm Allowance in place in accordance with paragraph 1.15, such Firm Allowance may not be transferred to the Partner's Firm Supply Point, unless in the Transporter's reasonable opinion the Transportation Requirement is satisfied.
- 6.1.2 A Supply Point which has been designated as Interruptible will continue to be so designated until and unless it is redesignated as Firm under paragraph 6.3 or paragraph 6.9.
- 6.1.3 For the purposes of the Code:
- (a) a Supply Point is "**Interruptible**" where the offtake of gas from the Total System at the Supply Point is subject to Interruption in accordance with paragraph 6.7, and otherwise is "**Firm**";
  - (b) an "**Interruptible Supply Point**" is a Supply Point which is for the time being designated as Interruptible;
  - (c) a "**Firm Supply Point**" is a Supply Point which is not for the time being designated as Interruptible (including one which has been redesignated as Firm);
  - (d) a Partner Supply Point is a Partner Interruptible Supply Point or a Partner Firm Supply Point;
  - (e) a Partner Interruptible Supply Point is an Interruptible Supply Point which has, for the time being, in accordance with paragraph 6.1.1(b) nominated a Firm Supply Point to be its Partner Supply Point;



- (f) a Partner Firm Supply Point is a Firm Supply Point which has, for the time being, in accordance with paragraph 6.1.1(b) been nominated to be a Partner Supply Point to an Interruptible Supply Point;
- (g) a Network Sensitive Load ("NSL") is an Interruptible Supply Point where its specific interruption may be required by the Transporter for the purpose of maintaining the offtake of gas at the Firm Supply Points which are located in the local area of, and are connected to the same local pipeline system as such Interruptible Supply Point. As a consequence, such Interruptible Supply Point is therefore likely to have a higher probability of interruption than an Interruptible Supply Point which is not an NSL.

6.1.4 For the purposes of this Section G:

- (a) a reference to a Supply Meter Point changing status is a reference to the Supply Point in which it is comprised becoming a Firm Supply Point where it was Interruptible or becoming an Interruptible Supply Point where it was Firm; and where a Supply Meter Point has changed status it will (but without prejudice to the provisions of this paragraph 6.1 pursuant to which it may change status) continue to be treated as having done so irrespective of the Registered User of any Supply Point in which it may subsequently be comprised;
- (b) an "**Eligible Status Change Date**" is a date with effect from which a Firm Supply Point may become Interruptible or an Interruptible Supply Point may become Firm;
- (c) in relation to a Supply Point at any time an Eligible Status Change Date is:
  - (i) if no Supply Meter Point comprised in the Supply Point has at any time changed status, any date;
  - (ii) except as provided in paragraph (i) or (iii), the date is not less than 12 months after the most recent date on which any such Supply Meter Point changed status (for the purposes of which the date of a change in status of a Supply Meter Point pursuant to paragraph 6.3.7 shall not be counted); and
  - (iii) if the Interruptible status of a Supply Point is being transferred to one or more Firm Supply Points which create an equivalent effect on the Network, any date;
- (d) in relation to an Eligible Status Change Date the "**Change Request Deadline**" is the Day two months before such Eligible Status Change Date; and
- (e) where a User submits a Supply Point Confirmation which becomes effective in respect of a Supply Point, the Transporter will if requested by the User provide to the User as soon as reasonably practicable after the Supply Point Registration Date such information as may be necessary to enable the User to ascertain the Eligible Status Change Date or Dates.

6.1.5 Where a User submits a Supply Point Confirmation in respect of a Proposed Supply Point which includes any Supply Meter Point comprised in an Existing Supply Point which (at the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date) is Interruptible:

- (a) if each Existing Supply Point is Interruptible, the Proposed Supply Point will (if the Supply Point Confirmation becomes effective) be an Interruptible Supply Point, except that if the Supply Point Confirmation was submitted before the Change Request Deadline and the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date is not later than an Eligible Status Change Date, the Proposing User may (subject to and in accordance with paragraph 6.3) redesignate the Supply Point as Firm with effect from the Eligible Status Change Date; and
  - (b) (in accordance with paragraph 2.7.6) if there is another Existing Supply Point which (at the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date) is not Interruptible:
    - (i) the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date must be an Eligible Status Change Date; and
    - (ii) the Proposing User may designate (provided the Proposed Supply Point is eligible in accordance with paragraph 6.2.1, and subject to paragraph 6.3) the Proposed Supply Point as Interruptible or Firm.
- 6.1.6 Where a User has submitted a Supply Point Confirmation which will (in accordance with paragraph 2.8.7 or 2.9.1) become effective, no Existing Registered User may submit a notice designating an Existing Supply Point as Interruptible or redesignating it as Firm.
- 6.1.7 A notice designating a Supply Point as Interruptible or redesignating a Supply Point as Firm with effect from an Eligible Status Change Date may be revoked by the Registered User before but not after the Change Request Deadline; and accordingly a User who submits a Supply Point Confirmation after the Change Request Deadline may not alter the designation (as Interruptible or Firm) of the Supply Point until the next following Eligible Status Change Date.
- 6.1.8 Without prejudice to the generality thereof, the indemnity provided for in Section V11.1.1 shall apply in respect of the taking of any steps or the exercise by the Transporter of any entitlement provided for in this paragraph 6.
- 6.1.9 In respect of an Interruptible Supply Point the Registered User (or Sharing Registered Users) shall:
- (a) not be required to pay NTS Exit Capacity Charges and LDZ Capacity Charges; and
  - (b) be entitled to a payment, where in respect of an Interruptible Supply Point the Transporter requires Interruption on more than 15 Days in any Formula Year, calculated in the manner provided in the Transportation Statement.

## **6.2 Conditions for designation as Interruptible**

- 6.2.1 A Supply Point is eligible to be designated an Interruptible Supply Point in any Gas Year for which its Annual Quantity is greater than 5,860,000 kWh (*200,000 therms*).
- 6.2.2 In accordance with paragraph 1.7, a Supply Point includes a Shared Supply Meter, the Shared Supply Meter Point Notification shall provide (pursuant to paragraph 1.7.6(a)) for allocation in tranches:

- 6.2.3 By designating a Supply Point as Interruptible with effect from an Eligible Status Change Date, or submitting a Supply Point Confirmation in respect of an Interruptible Supply Point, and by not redesignating an Interruptible Supply Point as Firm with effect from an Eligible Status Change Date, the Registered User represents to the Transporter that, or where the User is not the supplier that the supplier has represented to the User that, the requirement in paragraph 6.2.4 will be complied with.
- 6.2.4 The requirement referred to in paragraph 6.2.3 is that the contract or contracts of supply to the consumer, in force at the Eligible Status Change Date or (as the case may be) the Supply Point Registration Date, oblige the consumer to give effect to Interruption (including in the case where the requirement for Interruption is notified by the Transporter under paragraph 6.8.4).
- 6.2.5 Without prejudice to paragraph 6.2.4, a Supply Point which includes an NDM Supply Point Component may (subject to this paragraph 6.2) be designated as Interruptible.

### 6.3 Redesignation as Firm

- 6.3.1 Where a Supply Point is for the time being an Interruptible Supply Point:
- (a) subject to paragraph 6.3.2 and except where the Supply Point is or is to be a TNI Supply Point, the Registered User may redesignate the Supply Point as Firm with effect from an Eligible Status Change Date, by giving notice to the Transporter not later than the Change Request Deadline;
  - (b) where the Supply Point ceases to be eligible in accordance with paragraph 6.2.1 in respect of any Gas Year, the Supply Point shall unless the Transporter otherwise determines be redesignated as Firm with effect from the first Eligible Status Change Date in that Gas Year.
- 6.3.2 Where:
- (a) pursuant to any provision of this paragraph 6 a Supply Point is to be redesignated or (pursuant to paragraph 6.1.5(b)(ii)) designated as Firm with effect from an Eligible Status Change Date; and
  - (b) the Transporter determines and notifies the User that the Firm Transportation Requirement is not satisfied

the designation or redesignation as Firm will not be effective and (subject to paragraph 6.3.5) the Supply Point will continue to be an Interruptible Supply Point.

- 6.3.3 In the case of a redesignation as Firm pursuant to paragraph 6.3.1(a), any notification by the Transporter under paragraph 6.3.2(b) will be given not later than one month after the relevant Change Request Deadline.
- 6.3.4 For the purposes of the Code the "**Firm Transportation Requirement**" in respect of an Interruptible Supply Point is the requirement that (after taking into account the Transporter's ability to Interrupt at other Interruptible Supply Points) it would be feasible to make gas available for offtake at the Supply Point (if the Supply Point were Firm) at a rate not less than the Supply Point Offtake Rate (and as respects any NDM Supply Point Component, an appropriate estimated rate of offtake) and in quantities (in

a 24 hour period) in the amount of the Supply Point Capacity which the User would (pursuant to paragraph 6.3.9) hold upon its redesignation as Firm.

- 6.3.5 Subject to paragraph 6.3.6, the Registered User may after an Eligible Status Change Date redesignate a Siteworks Specified Interruptible Supply Point as Firm in accordance with paragraph 7.4.6.
- 6.3.6 Subject to paragraph 6.3.7, a User may not redesignate a Supply Point as Firm pursuant to paragraph 7.4.6 unless the User had not later than the Change Request Deadline given notice under paragraph 6.3.1(a) of such redesignation which pursuant to paragraph 6.3.2 was not effective.
- 6.3.7 Where at any time:
- (a) a Supply Point is Interruptible; and
  - (b) the Registered User demonstrates to the reasonable satisfaction of the Transporter that, by reason of a substantial change, which has occurred since and was not reasonably foreseeable at the most recent Change Request Deadline, in the physical nature of the consumer's requirements for the supply of gas, the consumer requires the Supply Point to be Firm

the User may (subject to paragraph 6.3.2) redesignate the Supply Point as Firm with effect from any later Day.

- 6.3.8 Where in any Gas Year a Supply Point is redesignated as Firm pursuant to paragraph 6.3.7, until the first Eligible Status Change Date which is more than 12 months after the date of such redesignation, no Supply Meter Point comprised in the Supply Point may be comprised in any Interruptible Supply Point (irrespective of the Registered User).
- 6.3.9 Where an Interruptible Supply Point is redesignated as Firm, or for the purposes of calculating charges where there has been a failure to Interrupt, the Registered Supply Point Capacity held by the Registered User at the DM Supply Point Component or the Supply Point respectively shall be whichever is the greater of the Prevailing Supply Point Capacity and the Bottom-Stop Supply Point Capacity (and the Supply Point Offtake Rate shall be unchanged).

#### **6.4 SDMC(I) Supply Points**

- 6.4.1 Where the Transporter reasonably determines, in relation to an Interruptible Supply Point with a DM Supply Point Component whose Annual Quantity does not exceed 58,600,000 kWh (2,000,000 therms), that (by reason of the location or other characteristics of the part of the System in which the Supply Point is located, or the nature of the Consumer's Plant) the operational benefits of the Transporter's ability to Interrupt the Supply Point would be materially diminished unless individual Output Nominations are made in respect of the Supply Point, the Transporter may designate the Supply Point as requiring individual Output Nominations for the purposes of Section A4.5.3.
- 6.4.2 Any designation under paragraph 6.4.1 shall be:

- (a) in the case of an existing Supply Point Registration, by notice to the Registered User not later than the 5th Business Day in September in the Gas Year preceding the first Gas Year in which such designation is to be effective; or
- (b) in the case of a Proposed Supply Point Registration, in the Supply Point Offer.

## 6.5 TNI Supply Points

- 6.5.1 Where the Transporter determines that the relevant number of Days (in accordance with paragraph 6.5.2) would exceed 45 in any Gas Year, the Transporter may with effect from 1st October (or any other Day agreed with the Registered User) designate an Interruptible Supply Point as being a "**TNI Supply Point**" by giving notice of not less than 12 months (or such lesser period as the Registered User may agree) to the Registered User.
- 6.5.2 For the purposes of paragraph 6.5.1 the relevant number of Days is the number of Days on which, after taking into account the Transporter's ability to Interrupt at other Interruptible Supply Points, the Transporter estimates that, in a year of 1-in-50 Severe Annual Demand, Interruption would be required at the Supply Point.
- 6.5.3 Where the Transporter designates an Interruptible Supply Point as a TNI Supply Point, the Transporter's notice to the Registered User will specify the number of Days (exceeding 45) on which the Transporter may Interrupt the Supply Point or Tranche ( in accordance with paragraph 6.10.1(b)) at the Supply Point in accordance with paragraph 6.7.
- 6.5.4 The Transporter may from time to time by a further notice (of not less than 12 months) under paragraph 6.5.1 or by agreement with the Registered User alter the Interruption Allowance of a TNI Supply Point.
- 6.5.5 Subject to paragraph 6.3.6, the Registered User may (whether on or after an Eligible Status Change Date) redesignate a Siteworks Specified TNI Supply Point as Firm in accordance with paragraph 7.4.6 or apply to redesignate the Interruption Allowance in respect of a TNI Supply Point to a Siteworks Specified number of Days.
- 6.5.6 The Transporter may withdraw the designation of a Supply Point as a TNI Supply Point by giving notice of not less than 12 months (or such lesser period as the Registered User may agree) to the Registered User.
- 6.5.7 Where a User submits a Supply Point Confirmation which becomes effective in respect of an Interruptible Supply Point:
  - (a) if any Existing Supply Point is, or pursuant to a notice given by the Transporter to the Existing Registered User pursuant to paragraph 6.5.1 would have become, a TNI Supply Point, the Proposed Supply Point shall be, or as the case may be shall (with effect from the date when the Existing Supply Point would have become a TNI Supply Point) become, a TNI Supply Point;
  - (b) any Existing Supply Point is, but pursuant to a notice given by the Transporter pursuant to paragraph 6.5.6 would have ceased to be, a TNI Supply Point, the Proposed Supply Point shall (with effect from the date when the Existing Supply Point would have ceased to be a TNI Supply Point) cease to be a TNI Supply Point.

- 6.5.8 The Transporter will, within 10 Business Days after the date of any Supply Point Nomination in respect of an Interruptible Supply Point (or if later as soon as practicable thereafter), notify the Proposing User of whether (and where applicable the date from which) the Proposed Supply Point is or is to become, and/or is to cease to be, a TNI Supply Point pursuant to paragraphs 6.5.7.

## 6.6 Requirements as to Interruptible Supply Points

- 6.6.1 Where a User is or is to become the Registered User of one or more Interruptible Supply Points the User shall:

- (a) not later than the relevant date (in accordance with paragraph 6.6.4) in respect of the first Interruptible Supply Point of which it becomes Registered User, provide to the Transporter at least one telephone number and at least one facsimile number (but not more than 4 numbers in total) by means of which the Transporter may contact, 24 hours a Day, a representative of the User, and the name(s) or title(s) of not more than 3 representatives of the User who may be contacted at such numbers;
- (b) maintain the details provided under paragraph (a) up to date, and notify the Transporter of any change in such details before such change takes effect; and
- (c) secure that at all times on each Day one of such representatives is available and capable of being so contacted by telephone (with access to facsimile) or by facsimile.

- 6.6.2 A User shall, in relation to each Interruptible Supply Point of which it is or is to become the Registered User:

- (a) not later than the relevant date (in accordance with paragraph 6.6.4), provide to the Transporter:
  - (i) in accordance with paragraph 6.6.2(e), the names and/or job titles of representatives of the consumer ("**interruption contacts**") (who, for the avoidance of doubt, may be the same contacts as those referred to in Section Q as "emergency contacts"), provided that the total number of interruption contacts provided for under this paragraph (and emergency contacts provided for under Section Q) shall not exceed 5 in relation to any Supply Point;
  - (ii) at least 1 (but not more than 4) telephone numbers for each interruption contact by means of which the Transporter may contact, 24 hours a day, at least one interruption contact; and
  - (iii) one facsimile number, for the purposes of receiving communications pursuant to Section G and Section Q, which is able to receive transmissions 24 hours a day;
- (b) take all reasonable steps to secure that the details provided under paragraph (a) are maintained up to date and to notify the Transporter of any change in such details before such change takes effect;

- (c) take all reasonable steps to secure that at all times on each Day one of such representatives is available and capable of being so contacted by telephone (with access to facsimile) and by facsimile;
  - (d) secure that the consumer acknowledges the right of the Transporter to contact the consumer in the circumstances in paragraph 6.8.4 and undertakes to comply with any notification by the Transporter thereunder; and
  - (e) for the purposes of paragraph 6.6.2(a):
    - (i) in the case of an Interruptible Supply Point in respect of any site which is manned 24 hours a day, provide to the Transporter the name(s) and/or job title(s) of at least 1 but not more than 4 interruption contacts; and
    - (ii) in the case of an Interruptible Supply Point in respect of any site which is not manned 24 hours a day, provide to the Transporter the name(s) and/or job title(s) of at least 1 but not more than 2 interruption contacts.
- 6.6.3 For the purposes of enabling the Transporter to plan the exercise of its rights as to Interruption of Interruptible Supply Points, in relation to each Gas Year the Registered User of an Interruptible Supply Point or a Partner Supply Point will, if so required by the Transporter, not later than the relevant date (in accordance with paragraph 6.6.4) and thereafter from time to time upon any significant change in such details, obtain from the consumer or supplier and provide to the Transporter the consumer's best estimate of the following details:
- (a) whether or not gas is likely in normal circumstances to be offtaken at or between particular times of Day specified by the Transporter for the purposes of this paragraph 6.6.3;
  - (b) the maximum quantity of gas to be offtaken on any Saturday and on any Sunday; and
  - (c) holiday periods in each year during which gas will not be offtaken from the Total System at the Supply Point (or the DM Supply Point Component thereof).
- 6.6.4 For the purposes of this paragraph 6.6 the relevant date in respect of an Interruptible Supply Point or a Partner Supply Point is:
- (a) where the Registered User designates the Supply Point as Interruptible or as a Partner Supply Point from the date set in accordance with paragraph 6.6.1(b); or
  - (b) the date on which the User submits a Supply Point Confirmation in respect of the Supply Point.
- 6.6.5 Where, in relation to any Interruptible Supply Point (but without prejudice to Section C in relation to Renominations), the Registered User or supplier:
- (a) exercises (other than pursuant to an Interruption Notice under paragraph 6.8.1) any entitlement to require the consumer to discontinue consuming gas offtaken from the Total System on a Day; or

- (b) having exercised such an entitlement, authorises the consumer to resume such consumption

the Registered User will as soon as reasonably practicable, and in accordance with paragraph 6.6.7, inform the Transporter of the matters set out in paragraph 6.6.6, provided that the Registered User shall use reasonable endeavours to inform the Transporter not more than one hour after such discontinuance and/or not less than one hour before such resumption.

6.6.6 The matters to be informed by the Registered User to the Transporter pursuant to paragraph 6.6.5 are:

- (a) the identity of the Interruptible Supply Point;
- (b) the time with effect from which the consumer will be required to discontinue, or authorised to resume, consumption; and
- (c) an estimate of the amount by which the quantity of gas offtaken will increase or decrease as a result of such discontinuance or resumption.

6.6.7 For the purposes of paragraph 6.6.5 the User will give the relevant information to the Transporter by means of telephone or facsimile, unless it has given to the Transporter not less than one month's notice of its intention to give such information by Batch Transfer Communication, in which case such User will give information to the Transporter for the purposes of paragraph 6.6.5 only by Batch Transfer Communication, and will promptly inform the Transporter by telephone or facsimile of the transmission of each such Batch Transfer Communication.

6.6.8 Where the Transporter notifies a User that it is unable satisfactorily to access a Batch Transfer Communication transmitted pursuant to paragraph 6.6.7, that User will promptly send to the Transporter by facsimile the information contained in that Batch Transfer Communication.

## 6.7 **Interruption**

6.7.1 For the purposes of the Code "**Interruption**" at a Supply Point means interruption on the Transporter's instruction (for one or more Days or parts of a Day) of the offtake of gas from the Total System at each Supply Meter Point comprised in the Supply Point, and references to a Supply Point being Interrupted and to the Transporter's right to Interrupt a Supply Point shall be construed accordingly. Interruption at a Partner Firm Supply Point shall be treated as if the Interruption took place at the Partner Interruptible Supply Point.

6.7.2 Where (in accordance with this paragraph 6) the Transporter requires Interruption at a Supply Point:

- (a) the Registered User shall secure that (subject to paragraph 6.7.7) the requirement in paragraph (b) is complied with;
- (b) subject to paragraph 6.10.4, the requirement is that no gas (beyond the Shutdown Tolerance) shall be offtaken from the Total System at the Supply Point, with effect from the Interruption Start Time (in accordance with



paragraph 6.8.1) and until such time as the Transporter shall specify in accordance with paragraph 6.8.5; and

- (c) the Registered User has a Firm Allowance greater than 3,000 kWh/Day (*100 therms/Day*) granted in accordance with paragraph 1.15 then no Shutdown Tolerance shall be available in accordance with paragraph (b). Where the Firm Allowance is less than 3,000 kWh/Day (*100 therms/Day*) a residual Shutdown Tolerance of 3,000 kWh/ Day (*100 therms/Day*) less the Firm Allowance shall be available.

6.7.3 Subject to paragraph 6.7.5, the Transporter may require Interruption at an Interruptible Supply Point:

- (a) on any Day on which there is or the Transporter anticipates that there would otherwise be a relevant Transportation Constraint (in accordance with paragraph 6.7.4);
- (b) on not more than 3 Days in any Gas Year, where the Transporter has any reasonable doubt as to whether the requirements in paragraph 6.2.4 are satisfied or the provisions of this paragraph 6 in relation to Interruption are or are capable of being complied with in respect of the Supply Point, for the purposes of verifying such matters; and

the Transporter may, where it has issued an Interruption Notice pursuant to one of the above sub-paragraphs, issue a replacement Interruption Notice pursuant to a different sub-paragraph. From the time at which such replacement notice takes effect all rights, obligations or restrictions applicable to such replacement notice shall apply accordingly and shall supersede those applicable to the replaced notice.

6.7.4 A relevant Transportation Constraint is a Transportation Constraint which would be relieved (in whole or in part) by the discontinuance or suspension of offtake at the Interruptible Supply Point (provided that the Transporter will not be required to exercise its entitlement to require Interruption in respect of an Interruptible Supply Point which is a Maintenance Affected Point pursuant to Section L4.3).

6.7.5 The number of Days (including parts of a Day) in respect of which the Transporter requires Interruption in respect of an Interruptible Supply Point in any Gas Year shall not exceed the following (the "**Interruption Allowance**"):

- (a) except in the case of a TNI Supply Point, 45 Days;
- (b) in the case of a TNI Supply Point, the number of Days for the time being specified pursuant to paragraph 6.5.3

provided that a Day in respect of which the Transporter gives more than one Interruption Notice shall be counted only as one Day of Interruption at the Supply Point provided further that the Transporter may continue to require Interruption at certain Tranches at a Supply Point (up to the Interruption Allowance of such Tranches) where the Interruption Allowance of such Tranches is greater than that of other Tranches at the same Supply Point whose Interruption Allowances have been fully utilised.

6.7.6 Where a Supply Point Confirmation in respect of an Interruptible Supply Point becomes effective on a Day other than 1 October:

- (a) Days (in the Gas Year in which the Supply Point Registration Date falls) in respect of which the Transporter required Interruption of the Existing Supply Point, up to but not including the Supply Point Registration Date, shall be counted towards the use of the Interruption Allowance; provided that where the Proposed Supply Point is a New Supply Point the number of Days so counted shall be the average, weighted by reference to the Annual Quantity of each Supply Meter Point comprised in the New Supply Point, of the number of Days of Interruption in the relevant Gas Year in respect of each Interruptible Existing Supply Point;
  - (b) upon request of the Proposing User made after the Supply Point Registration Date, the Transporter will inform the Registered User of the number of Days counted towards the use of the Interruption Allowance pursuant to paragraph (a); and
  - (c) where the Proposed Supply Point comprises only New Supply Meter Points:
    - (i) if the Supply Point Registration Date is before 1 April in the relevant Gas Year, the Interruption Allowance shall be in accordance with paragraph 6.7.5;
    - (ii) if the Supply Point Registration Date is on or after 1 April in the relevant Gas Year, the Interruption Allowance shall be reduced from that determined in accordance with paragraph 6.7.5 by 1/6th for each completed month in such Gas Year after 1 April and before the Supply Point Registration Date.
- 6.7.7 In the case of an Interruptible Supply Point which is not comprised in a Partner Supply Point or a Shared Supply Meter Point, other than as provided in paragraph 1.7.5, the Transporter may, at its discretion on application by the Registered User, allow the Registered User to satisfy the requirement for Interruption by a reduction in offtake rather than a total discontinuance in offtake at the Supply Point, in accordance with paragraph 6.10 ("**Partial Interruption**").
- 6.7.8 The exercise by the Transporter of any right (other than pursuant to this paragraph 6) to require or secure the discontinuance or reduction of offtake at any Supply Meter Point shall not count towards the use of the Interruption Allowance or otherwise count as Interruption for the purposes of this paragraph 6.
- 6.7.9 Without prejudice to the requirement under paragraph 6.7.2(b), it is acknowledged that pursuant to Section H a User will be treated as having offtaken gas from the Total System at an Interruptible NDM Supply Point Component on a Day on which the Transporter required Interruption, and that such treatment will not constitute failure to Interrupt for the purposes of paragraph 6.9.
- 6.7.10 The Transporter will notify the Registered User when the Transporter requires an Interruptible Supply Point to be designated as an NSL (for the time being). Such notice will be sent no less than 20 Business Days in advance of the date of the required status change.
- 6.7.11 Where the Transporter has designated an Interruptible Supply Point as an NSL and its interruption has been required in accordance with paragraph 6.1.3(g), then the

provisions of paragraph 6.8.2 shall cease to apply to such Interruptible Supply Point for the period it is designated as an NSL.

- 6.7.12 When the Transporter no longer requires the Interruptible Supply Point to be designated as an NSL it shall notify the Registered User accordingly and from the date of such notification such Interruptible Supply Point shall cease to be so designated.
- 6.7.13 Any Interruptible Supply Point which has been designated as an NSL will not be treated as a TNI Supply Point unless such Interruptible Supply Point has been designated as a TNI Supply Point in accordance with paragraph 6.5.

## **6.8 Notification requirements**

- 6.8.1 Where the Transporter requires or has a revised requirement for Interruption in respect of one or more Supply Points, the Transporter will give to the Registered User, not less than 5 hours before the time ("**Interruption Start Time**") with effect from which Interruption is required, notice ("**Interruption Notice**") specifying:
- (a) the Supply Points (and Tranches where applicable) to be Interrupted;
  - (b) the Gas Flow Day;
  - (c) the Interruption Start Time; and
  - (d) the Transporter's estimate (which shall not bind the Transporter) of the time at which the requirement for Interruption will cease to apply.
- 6.8.2 The User may request by telephone or facsimile an alteration to the Supply Points specified in the Interruption Notice; and where not less than 5 hours before the Interruption Start Time the Transporter and the User have agreed (but so that the Transporter shall not be required to agree) upon such an alteration, the Interruption Notice will be revised accordingly and resubmitted by the Transporter to the User as soon as reasonably practicable.
- 6.8.3 The User shall, by telephone or facsimile (or otherwise in accordance with this paragraph 6.8):
- (a) not later than 30 minutes after Interruption Notice was given, acknowledge receipt of that notice;
  - (b) not later than 5 hours after Interruption Notice was given, confirm to the Transporter that Interruption (in accordance with such notice) has taken place or shall take place;
  - (c) as soon as reasonably practicable, notify the Transporter of any facts or circumstances known to the User that might prevent Interruption from taking place or cause Interruption to take place after the Interruption Start Time; and
  - (d) in the case of a Partner Interruptible Supply Point confirm to the Transporter, at which Partner Supply Point the Interruption has taken place or will take place.
- 6.8.4 Where the User has not acknowledged receipt of an Interruption Notice within 30 minutes after such notice was given, the Transporter may not less than 4 hours before

the Interruption Start Time notify the requirement for Interruption at each relevant Supply Point directly to the consumer, specifying the Gas Flow Day and Interruption Start Time.

6.8.5 Where the Transporter has given an Interruption Notice in respect of any Supply Point, as soon as reasonably practicable after the Transporter determines that the requirement for Interruption no longer applies or will at a certain time cease to apply (having regard to the circumstances in accordance with paragraph 6.7.3 in which such notice was given), the Transporter will so notify the User specifying the time (where later than the time of such notification) at which the requirement for Interruption will no longer apply.

6.8.6 As soon as reasonably practicable after the Transporter has given one or more Interruption Notices, it will send to all relevant Registered Users an Active Notification Communication stating that, in relation to all Users who have made an election under paragraph 6.8.7, such Batch Transfer Communications have been sent by the Transporter.

6.8.7 A User may elect, by giving not less than one month's notice to the Transporter:

- (a) to receive all Interruption Notices in respect of Supply Points in relation to which it is Registered User; and
- (b) to give all confirmations pursuant to paragraph 6.8.3(b)

by means of Batch Transfer Communication.

6.8.8 Subject to paragraphs 6.8.9 and 6.8.10, where a User makes an election under paragraph 6.8.7, on expiry of the relevant period of notice Code Communications for the purposes of paragraphs 6.8.1 and 6.8.3(b) shall be given by Batch Transfer Communication, and where the User gives any Code Communication to the Transporter under this paragraph 6.8 by Batch Transfer Communication, the User must promptly inform the Transporter, by telephone or facsimile, of the transmission of such Batch Transfer Communication.

6.8.9 Where:

- (a) the Transporter has given to a User an Interruption Notice by Batch Transfer Communication;
- (b) the User is unable, in accordance with Section U 4.5, to access such Batch Transfer Communication; and
- (c) the User notifies the Transporter of such inability, by telephone or facsimile, not later than 30 minutes after the Interruption Notice was given

the Transporter will give to the User Interruption Notice by facsimile, and this facsimile shall constitute an Interruption Notice for the purpose of establishing the Interruption Start Time.

6.8.10 Where any User has made an election pursuant to paragraph 6.8.7, that User may elect by notice to the Transporter:

- (a) to receive all Interruption Notices in respect of Supply Points in relation to which it is Registered User; and

(b) to give all confirmations under paragraph 6.8.3(b)

by facsimile, provided that no election may be made under this paragraph 6.8.10 less than one month after the date of an election by that User under paragraph 6.8.7.

6.8.11 Where a User makes an election under paragraph 6.8.10, on expiry of one month from the date of the relevant notice, or from such other date as the Transporter and the User may agree, Code Communications for the purposes of paragraph 6.8.1 and 6.8.3(b) shall be given by telephone or facsimile.

6.8.12 Where an Interruptible Supply Point comprises Shared Supply Meter Point(s):

- (a) paragraph 6.8.2 shall not apply in respect of such Supply Point;
- (b) where there is more than one Interruptible Supply Point which comprises such Shared Supply Meter Point(s), any requirement for Interruption will apply in respect of all (and not some only) of such Interruptible Supply Points; and
- (c) where a Sharing Registered User Agent is appointed, any Interruption Notice will be submitted (notwithstanding any requirement for submission to any User) to such Agent as well as to the Sharing Registered Users of the Interruptible Supply Points.

## 6.9 Failure to Interrupt

6.9.1 For the purposes of the Code:

- (a) subject to paragraph (b), there is a "**failure to Interrupt**" at an Interruptible Supply Point where, on any occasion on which the Transporter requires Interruption in respect of the Supply Point, the requirement in paragraph 6.7.2(b) is not complied with in respect of each Supply Meter Point at any time on any Day (the "**failure Day**") during the period referred to in that paragraph;
- (b) a failure to comply with a requirement for Interruption pursuant to paragraph 6.7.3(b):
  - (i) will not be counted as a failure to Interrupt for the purposes of paragraph 6.9.6;
  - (ii) subject to paragraph (i), will be counted as a failure to Interrupt if:
    - (1) the User does not demonstrate to the reasonable satisfaction of the Transporter that all appropriate steps are being taken to ensure that such a failure does not recur at the relevant Supply Point; or
    - (2) the failure is the third failure occurring at the relevant Supply Point during the same Gas Year to comply with a requirement for Interruption pursuant to paragraph 6.7.3(b);

but not otherwise;

- (c) for the purposes of this paragraph 6.9 a Supply Point the subject of a Supply Point Reconfirmation shall be treated as being the same Supply Point as the Existing Supply Point;
- (d) the "**Period of Interruption**" is the period between the Interruption Start Time and the time specified in accordance with paragraph 6.8.5;
- (e) "**Shutdown**" means that in the event of interruption all of the gas consuming plant at the Supply Point has been turned off so that it is not consuming gas; and
- (f) "**Shutdown Tolerance**" means the amount of gas not exceeding 3,000kWh/Day (100 therms/Day) which may be offtaken, in the event of a Shutdown, at an Interruptible Supply Point, or in the case of a Shared Supply Meter Point that comprises more than one Interruptible Supply Point, in total at such Supply Points.

6.9.2 Where there is a failure to Interrupt at a Supply Point:

- (a) irrespective of whether the failure to Interrupt resulted from Force Majeure, where the Transporter determines that the failure to Interrupt results in a significant risk to the security of the relevant System the Transporter may take any steps available to it to isolate or disconnect any or all Supply Meter Points (irrespective of whether any is a Shared Supply Meter Point) comprised in the Supply Point; and
- (b) subject to paragraph 6.10.5, save where the failure to Interrupt resulted from Force Majeure or, in exceptional circumstances, where the Registered User can demonstrate to the Transporter's reasonable satisfaction that it made all reasonable efforts to Shutdown (including but not limited to ensuring that appropriate action is taken at the Supply Point but despite such efforts gas in excess of the Shutdown Tolerance flowed):
  - (i) the Registered User shall on the first Day of the first failure to Interrupt in any Gas Year, pay a charge determined as 2 times the Applicable Annual Rate of the NTS Exit Capacity Charge in respect of an NTS Supply Point or LDZ Capacity Charge where the Supply Point is not an NTS Supply Point that would be payable ( in respect of Supply Point Capacity in accordance with paragraph 6.3.9) if the Supply Point was designated as Firm; and
  - (ii) the Registered User shall pay, on all days other than the first Day of the first Period of Interruption in each Gas Year, a charge determined as:

$$X = 2 * Y * Z$$

where:

- X is the amount payable in respect of each Day;
- Y is the quantity of gas offtaken at the Supply Point ( in kWh ) on the Day;

Z in any Gas Year is the price difference ( in pence/kWh ) taken from the figures published in Table 26 of the DTI Energy Trends ( or superseding publication), for the 1st Quarter of the calendar year in which the current Gas Year commenced, between the all consumer average for Gas Oil (shown in £/tonne and converted to pence/kWh using the estimated average calorific value for Gas Oil set out in Annex B of the Digest of United Kingdom Energy Statistics) and the price of gas, all consumers, Interruptible.

- 6.9.3 The charges payable under paragraphs 6.9.2(b)(i), 6.9.2(b)(ii), 6.9.4 and 6.10.3 will be invoiced and are payable in accordance with Section S.
- 6.9.4 Where the Transporter takes any such steps as are referred to in paragraph 6.9.2(a) the Registered User will be liable to reimburse to the Transporter the costs and expenses incurred by the Transporter in taking such steps and in any subsequent reconnection or restoration of the connection of the Supply Point.
- 6.9.5 The Registered User shall secure that there is made available to the Transporter such access to the Supply Point and all Supply Meter Points comprised in the Supply Point as shall be required for the purposes of paragraph 6.9.2(a).
- 6.9.6 In addition to the provisions of paragraphs 6.9.2 and 6.9.5, where (disregarding any failure to Interrupt which resulted from Force Majeure):
- (a) in any Gas Year in which there has on any Day been a failure to Interrupt at any Registered Interruptible Supply Point(s) of a User, there is on a later Day a failure to Interrupt (at the same or any other Registered Interruptible Supply Point(s)); and
  - (b) the number of occasions (including the failure(s) on such later Day) on which there have been failures to Interrupt at the User's Registered Interruptible Supply Points is equal to or greater than:
    - (i) 5; or
    - (ii) if more, the number (rounded up to the nearest whole number) equal to 5% of the mean of the numbers of Interruptible Supply Points of which the User is the Registered User at the time of each such failure to Interrupt

in determining which each failure at any Supply Point shall count separately, paragraph 6.9.7 shall apply.

- 6.9.7 In the circumstances in paragraph 6.9.6, subject to paragraph 6.9.8:
- (a) all of the Interruptible Supply Points of which the User is Registered User, other than those within paragraph (b), shall automatically be redesignated as Firm with effect from the failure Day;
  - (b) in relation to each such Supply Point in respect of which the Transporter determines that the Firm Transportation Requirement would not (without adjustment of the Supply Point Capacity or Supply Point Offtake Rate) be

satisfied and in relation to such Supply Points as are specified in paragraph 6.9.8:

- (i) the Supply Point shall be treated as being a Firm Supply Point for the purposes of determining the Supply Point Transportation Charges and any Supply Point Ratchet Charges or NTS Exit Overrun Charges payable by the User, but shall be treated (subject to paragraph (ii)) as being an Interruptible Supply Point for other purposes of the Code;
  - (ii) the Transporter will be at liberty to inform the supplier and consumer of the occurrence and consequences of the circumstances in paragraph 6.9.6;
  - (iii) the Transporter may elect that (in relation to any or all requirements for Interruption) paragraphs 6.8.1, 6.8.2 and 6.8.3 shall not apply and may notify the consumer in accordance with paragraph 6.8.4 but without first communicating with the User;
- (c) until the expiry of the Gas Year following that in which the failure to Interrupt occurred, the User may not designate any Supply Point (including any which was redesignated as Firm under paragraph (a) or is treated as Firm under paragraph (b)) as Interruptible and may not submit a Supply Point Confirmation in respect of any Proposed Supply Point which is Interruptible.

6.9.8 Paragraph 6.9.7 shall not apply where the User demonstrates to the Transporter's reasonable satisfaction that the User had taken all reasonable steps to comply with the requirement to Interrupt and that the failure to Interrupt occurred despite the taking of such steps.

6.9.9 Where an Interruptible Supply Point, other than one which was the subject of a failure to Interrupt referred to in paragraph 6.9.2, was redesignated as Firm pursuant to paragraph 6.9.7(a), any User who:

- (a) is the first User to have become the Registered User of a Firm Supply Point which includes a Supply Meter Point which was comprised in the Interruptible Supply Point; and
- (b) is not the User which was the Registered User of such Interruptible Supply Point

may designate such Firm Supply Point as Interruptible with effect from the Supply Point Registration Date.

6.9.10 No Day on which there is a failure to Interrupt at a Supply Point shall count towards use of the Interruption Allowance in respect of that Supply Point.

6.9.11 The following shall not be Force Majeure affecting a User for the purposes of this paragraph 6.9:

- (a) the unavailability of any such representative as is referred to in paragraph 6.6.1 or 6.6.2 of the User or the consumer to be contacted by the Transporter, other than for wholly unforeseeable and unavoidable reasons (which must also satisfy the conditions for being Force Majeure); and



- (b) the fact that there is no facility for the Consumer's Plant to operate with a supply of fuel or energy alternative to or in substitution for gas.

## 6.10 Partial Interruption

6.10.1 For the purposes of this paragraph 6.10:

- (a) "**Tranche**" means one of two or more increments by which the User of an Interruptible Supply Point may reduce its offtake (or by which Sharing Registered Users may reduce their offtake in aggregate) from the relevant System during a Period of Interruption;
- (b) "**Tranche Annual Quantity**" means in respect of each Tranche, the Tranche percentage multiplied by the Supply Point Annual Quantity;
- (c) "**Tranche Quantity**" means the quantity of gas, measured in kWh, that shall be allowed to be offtaken from the Total System at each Tranche in any period of 60 minutes in any Day in respect of which an Interruption Notice has been served; and
- (d) "**Tranche Percentage**" means in respect of each Tranche, the Tranche Quantity expressed as a percentage of the sum of all the Tranche Quantities at the Supply Point.

6.10.2 The Transporter may allow Partial Interruption at an Interruptible Supply Point provided that the following rules are satisfied:

- (a) the User (or Sharing Registered Users) shall specify the number of Tranches which it requires at the Supply Point, such number shall not exceed 9;
- (b) each Tranche Annual Quantity shall not be less than 5,860,000kWh (*200,000 therms*);
- (c) an application may be made by the User (or Sharing Registered Users) to the Transporter for a Partial Interruption status at a Supply Point at any time, for a period not exceeding 12 months, commencing on or after the operational date requested by the User (or Sharing Registered Users) and ending on the next 30 September;
- (d) the Transporter shall accept or reject all applications for Partial Interruption within 10 Business Days of their receipt by the Transporter from a Registered User or the Sharing Registered Users Agent as appropriate; and
- (e) Daily Read Equipment has been installed by the Transporter at the Supply Point prior to the commencement of Partial Interruption status.

6.10.3 Where Partial Interruption is in force at a Supply Point under paragraph 6.10, the Registered User (or Sharing Registered Users) in accordance with G1.7.14 shall pay to the Transporter the Administration Charge (if any) set out in the Transportation Statement. The Transporter shall (where applicable) issue an Ad-hoc Invoice in relation to the Administration Charge which will be invoiced and payable in accordance with Section S.

## 6.10.4 Where the Transporter requires Interruption at the Supply Point:

- (a) in any period of 60 minutes in the Day, and subject always to paragraph 5.3.1 and to the provisions of any relevant Network Exit Provisions, the Registered User will be allowed to offtake a quantity of gas;
- (b) for the purposes of paragraph 6.9.1(a), the requirement of paragraph 6.7.2(b) shall not be satisfied where the hourly offtake in paragraph (a) has been exceeded; and
- (c) the provisions of paragraphs 6.9.2(a) and 6.10.5 shall apply.

## 6.10.5 Where there is a failure to Interrupt at a Supply Point with Partial Interruption status:

- (a) where this is the first failure to Interrupt at the Supply Point in the Gas Year, the Registered User (or Sharing Registered Users) shall pay the charge determined under paragraph 6.9.2(b)(i), multiplied by the sum of the Tranche Percentages of the Tranches in respect of which an Interruption Notice was served;
- (b) for the remainder of the Gas Year any Tranche which has paid a failure to Interrupt charge in accordance with paragraph (a) above or paragraph (d) shall be termed a "**failed Tranche**"; and
- (c) where on any subsequent day in the Gas Year there is a failure to Interrupt at the Supply Point and the failure to Interrupt occurs only at failed Tranches, (determined in accordance with paragraph 6.10.5(b));
  - (i) for each period of 60 minutes in the Day, the quantity offtaken in excess of the Tranche Quantity of all Tranches in respect of which the Interruption Notice was not served shall be termed the "**excess failure quantity**";
  - (ii) the Registered User (or Sharing Registered Users) shall pay the charge calculated in accordance with paragraph 6.9.2(b)(ii), provided that Y shall be the total excess failure quantities in the Day; and
- (d) where on any subsequent day in the Gas Year there is a failure to Interrupt at the Supply Point and the failure to Interrupt occurs at one or more Tranches which are not failed Tranches (determined in accordance with paragraph 6.10.5(b)), the Registered User (or Sharing Registered Users) shall pay the charge determined under paragraph 6.9.2(b)(i), multiplied by the sum of the Tranche Percentages of the Tranches in respect of which an Interruption Notice was served, less the sum of the Tranche Percentages of the failed Tranches (determined in accordance with paragraph 6.10.5(b)) in respect of which the Interruption Notice was served.

## 6.10.6 The Transporter shall revoke the Partial Interruptible status at a Supply Point if:

- (a) the Supply Point ceases to be an Interruptible Supply Point;
- (b) subject to paragraph 6.10.7, the User ceases to be the Registered User of the Supply Point; or

- (c) in the case of a Supply Point which comprises a Shared Supply Meter Point there is a Shared Supply Meter Point Notification which proposes to change the number or identity of any sharing Registered Users, or a Supply Point Withdrawal unless a re-application in accordance with paragraph 6.10.14 has been accepted.
- 6.10.7 Except in the case of a Shared Supply Meter Point, where another User is to become the Registered User of relevant Supply Point, the Proposing User shall, at least 2 but not more than 7 Business Days prior to the proposed Supply Point Registration Date, notify the Transporter of such change. The Partial Interruption status of the Supply Point shall transfer to the new Registered User provided that the requirements of paragraph 6.10.2 remain satisfied.
- 6.10.8 If the Registered User (or Sharing Registered Users) wishes to change the number of Tranches or any of the Tranche Quantities, the Transporter shall, subject to paragraph 6.10.2, allow such change provided that the Interruption Allowance in relation to any Tranches shall not be changed.
- 6.10.9 Subject to paragraph 6.10.2(a), if the Registered User (or Sharing Registered Users) wishes to increase the Supply Point Capacity of the Interruptible Supply Point, the Transporter may grant such additional Supply Point Capacity as an additional Tranche with an Interruption Allowance which may be greater than the Interruption Allowance of any of the existing Tranches at the Supply Point.
- 6.10.10 If the Supply Point ceases to have Partial Interruption status, but continues to be an Interruptible Supply Point, the Interruption Allowance of the Supply Point shall be the greatest Interruption Allowance of any of the Tranches previously at the Supply Point.
- 6.10.11 Where any of the Tranches at the Interruptible Supply Point has an Interruption Allowance greater than 45 days, for the purposes of paragraph 6.5.4, the Interruption Allowance shall be determined by the sum of the products of the Tranche Percentage and the Interruption Allowance of each Tranche at the Interruptible Supply Point.
- 6.10.12 Nothing in this paragraph 6.10 shall prevent the Transporter from requiring Interruption at all Tranches at the Supply Point on the same Day.
- 6.10.13 In the case of a Partial Interruption at a Shared Supply Meter Point:
- (a) the Sharing Registered Users shall ensure that all actions which are required to be undertaken by the Sharing Registered Users in accordance with this paragraph 6.10 (including compliance with paragraph 6.10.2) shall be undertaken on behalf of all the Sharing Registered Users by the Sharing Registered Users Agent and for the purposes of this paragraph 6.10 all Code Communications shall be in accordance with paragraph 1.7.9(d); and
- (b) all references to Supply Point in this paragraph 6.10 shall be deemed to include references to the relevant Supply Point for the purposes of paragraph 1.7.
- 6.10.14 The Sharing Registered User Agent may re-apply for Partial Interruption at the relevant Supply Point in accordance with 6.10.2(c) and, pursuant to such re-application the Partial Interruption Status of the Supply Point shall transfer to the Sharing Registered Users identified in the re-application provided the requirements of paragraph 6.10.2 remain satisfied.

## 6.11 Partial Interruption at CSEPs

6.11.1 For the purposes of this paragraph 6.11:

- (a) "**Tranche**" means one of two or more increments by which the CSEP User of an Interruptible CSEP may reduce its offtake (or by which CSEP Users may reduce their offtake in aggregate) from the relevant System during a Period of Interruption;
- (b) "**Tranche Annual Quantity**" means in respect of each Tranche, the Tranche Percentage multiplied by the Interruptible CSEP Annual Quantity;
- (c) "**Tranche Quantity**" means the quantity of gas, measured in kWh, that shall be allowed to be offtaken from the Total System at each Tranche in any period of 60 minutes in any Day in respect of which a CSEP Interruption Notice has been served;
- (d) "**Tranche Percentage**" means in respect of each Tranche, the Tranche Quantity expressed as a percentage of the sum of all the Tranche Quantities at the Interruptible CSEP; and
- (e) "**CSEP Interruption Notice**" shall have the same meaning as that ascribed thereto by the term Interruption Notice except that it shall apply in respect of a CSEP rather than a Supply Point.

6.11.2 The Transporter may allow Partial Interruption at an Interruptible CSEP provided that the following rules are satisfied:

- (a) the CSEP User (or CSEP Users) shall specify the number of Tranches which it requires at the Interruptible CSEP, such number shall not exceed 9;
- (b) each Tranche Annual Quantity shall not be less than 5,860,000kWh (*200,000 therms*);
- (c) an application may be made by the CSEP User (or CSEP Users) to the Transporter for a Partial Interruption status at an Interruptible CSEP at any time, for a period not exceeding 12 months, commencing on or after the operational date requested by the CSEP User (or CSEP Users) and ending on the next 30 September;
- (d) the Transporter shall accept or reject all applications for Partial Interruption within 10 Business Days of their receipt by the Transporter from a CSEP User or the CSEP User Agent as appropriate; and
- (e) where requested by the Transporter, equipment (as set out in the relevant CSEP NExA) to provide information to the Transporter in aggregate to allow the Transporter to monitor the requirements in paragraph 6.11.4 shall be installed by the CSEP User (the identity of which has been notified by the CSEP User Agent where there is more than one CSEP User) prior to the commencement of Partial Interruption status.

6.11.3 Where Partial Interruption is in force at an Interruptible CSEP under this paragraph 6.11, the CSEP User (or CSEP Users) shall pay to the Transporter the relevant

Administration Charge (if any) set out in the Transportation Statement. The Transporter shall (where applicable) issue an Ad-hoc Invoice in relation to the Administration Charge which will be invoiced and payable in accordance with Section S.

6.11.4 Where the Transporter requires Interruption at an Interruptible CSEP:

- (a) in any period of 60 minutes in the Day, and subject always to paragraph 5.3.1 and to the provisions of any relevant Network Exit Provisions, the CSEP User will be allowed to offtake a quantity of gas, (and CSEP Users will be allowed to offtake a quantity in aggregate), measured in kWh, not exceeding the sum of the Tranche Quantities of the Tranches at the Interruptible CSEP in respect of which an Interruption Notice has not been served;
- (b) for the purposes of paragraph 6.9.1(a), the requirement of paragraph 6.7.2(b) shall not be satisfied where the hourly offtake in paragraph (a) has been exceeded; and
- (c) the provisions of paragraph 6.9.2(a) and 6.11.5 shall apply.

6.11.5 Where there is a failure to Interrupt at an Interruptible CSEP with Partial Interruption status:

- (a) where this is the first failure to Interrupt at the Interruptible CSEP in the Gas Year, the CSEP User (or CSEP Users) shall pay the charge determined under paragraph 6.9.2(b)(i), multiplied by the sum of the Tranche Percentages of the Tranches in respect of which an Interruption Notice was served;
- (b) for the remainder of the Gas Year any Tranche which has paid a failure to Interrupt charge in accordance with paragraph (a) above or paragraph (d) shall be termed a "**failed Tranche**";
- (c) where on any subsequent day in the Gas Year there is a failure to Interrupt at the Interruptible CSEP and the failure to Interrupt occurs only at failed Tranches (determined in accordance with paragraph 6.11.5(b));
  - (i) for each period of 60 minutes in the Day, the quantity offtaken in excess of the Tranche Quantity of all Tranches in respect of which the Interruption Notice was not served shall be termed the "**excess failure quantity**";
  - (ii) the CSEP User (or CSEP Users) shall pay the charge calculated in accordance with paragraph 6.9.2(b)(ii), provided that Y shall be the total excess failure quantities in the Day; and
- (d) where on any subsequent day in the Gas Year there is a failure to Interrupt at the Interruptible CSEP and the failure to Interrupt occurs at one or more Tranches which are not failed Tranches (determined in accordance with paragraph 6.11.5(b)), the CSEP User (or CSEP Users) shall pay the charge determined under paragraph 6.9.2(b)(i), multiplied by the sum of the Tranche Percentages of the Tranches in respect of which an Interruption Notice was served, less the sum of the Tranche Percentages of the failed Tranches (determined in accordance with paragraph 6.11.5(b)) in respect of which the Interruption Notice was served.

- 6.11.6 The Transporter shall revoke the Partial Interruptible status at an Interruptible CSEP if:
- (a) the CSEP ceases to be an Interruptible CSEP; or
  - (b) subject to paragraph 6.11.7, any CSEP User ceases to be a CSEP User for any reason, or where a User becomes a CSEP User.
- 6.11.7 Where at an Interruptible CSEP there is only one CSEP User and an alternative CSEP User is to become the CSEP User of relevant CSEP, the Proposing CSEP User shall, at least 2 but not more than 7 Business Days prior to the proposed Supply Point Registration Date, notify the Transporter of such change. The Partial Interruption status of the Interruptible CSEP shall transfer to the new CSEP User provided that the requirements of paragraph 6.11.2 remain satisfied.
- 6.11.8 Where, at an Interruptible CSEP, any CSEP User ceases to be a CSEP User for any reason or where a User becomes a CSEP User, then the CSEP User Agent may re-apply for Partial Interruption in accordance with paragraph 6.11.2 and pursuant to such re-application the Partial Interruption Status of the CSEP shall transfer to the CSEP User (or CSEP Users) identified in the re-application provided the requirements of paragraph 6.11.2 remain satisfied.
- 6.11.9 If the CSEP User (or CSEP Users) wishes to change the number of Tranches or any of the Tranche Quantities, the Transporter shall, subject to paragraph 6.11.2, allow such change provided that the Interruption Allowance in relation to any Tranches shall not be changed.
- 6.11.10 Subject to paragraph 6.11.2(a), if the CSEP User (or CSEP Users) wishes to increase the NTS Exit Capacity and LDZ capacity ( as applicable) of the Interruptible CSEP, the Transporter may grant such additional NTS Exit Capacity and LDZ Capacity (as applicable) as an additional Tranche with an Interruption Allowance which may be greater than the Interruption Allowance of any of the existing Tranches at the Interruptible CSEP.
- 6.11.11 If the Interruptible CSEP ceases to have Partial Interruption status, but continues to be an Interruptible CSEP, the Interruption Allowance of the Interruptible CSEP shall be the greatest Interruption Allowance of any of the Tranches previously at the Interruptible CSEP.
- 6.11.12 Where any of the Tranches at the Interruptible CSEP has an Interruption Allowance greater than 45 days, for the purposes of paragraph 6.5.4, the Interruption Allowance shall be determined by the sum of the products of the Tranche Percentage and the Interruption Allowance of each Tranche at the Interruptible CSEP.
- 6.11.13 Nothing in this paragraph 6.11 shall prevent the Transporter from requiring Interruption at all Tranches at the Interruptible CSEP on the same Day.
- 6.11.14 In the case of Partial Interruption at an Interruptible CSEP:
- (a) the CSEP Users shall ensure that all actions which are required to be undertaken by the CSEP Users in accordance with this paragraph 6.11 (including compliance with paragraph 6.11.2) shall be undertaken on behalf of all the CSEP Users by the CSEP Users Agent; and

- (b) for the purpose of this paragraph 6.11 all Code Communications:
  - (i) if to be given by the Transporter may be given to the CSEP Users Agent;
  - (ii) if to be given by CSEP Users may only be given by the CSEP User Agent.

6.11.15 The CSEP User Agent may re-apply for Partial Interruption in accordance with 6.11.2(c) and, pursuant to such re-application, the Partial Interruption Status of the Interruptible CSEP shall transfer to the CSEP Users identified in the re-application provided the requirement of paragraph 6.11.2 remain satisfied.

6.11.16 All references within this paragraph 6.11 to sub-paragraphs of paragraph 6 shall be construed in accordance with the relevant CSEP Ancillary Agreement or the relevant CSEP NExA.

## **7 NEW SUPPLY METER POINTS AND OTHER SITEWORKS**

### **7.1 General**

7.1.1 For the purposes of the Code:

- (a) a "**New Supply Meter Point**" is a new Supply Meter Point;
- (b) "**Siteworks**" means works undertaken by the Transporter at the request of a User or other person in connection with a System for the purposes of:
  - (i) the establishment of a New Supply Meter Point;
  - (ii) enabling an increase in the rate or pressure at or quantities in which it is feasible to make gas available for offtake from the Total System at an existing Supply Meter Point;
  - (iii) modifying or replacing any part of a System located at the Supply Point Premises (but not the Supply Meter Installation at an existing Supply Meter Point);
  - (iv) enabling the Firm Transportation Requirement (in accordance with paragraph 6.3.4) to be satisfied in respect of an Interruptible Supply Point, or a reduction in the Interruption Allowance in respect of a TNI Supply Point to be secured; or
  - (v) furnishing, installing, removing, making operational and/or maintaining Daily Read Equipment;
- (c) Siteworks under paragraph (b)(i) may be:
  - (i) for the construction and/or installation (and connection to a System) by the Transporter of the service pipe or any part thereof (but not the Supply Meter Installation); or

- (ii) for the purposes of making a connection to a System of any service pipe constructed or installed by any other person (but not the new Supply Meter Installation).
- (d) **"Special Metering Supply Point"** is any Supply Point:
  - (i) comprising a Supply Meter Point in respect of which a Supply Meter Installation is provided and installed by the Transporter; and
  - (ii) such Supply Meter Point:
    - (1) is a Shared Supply Meter Point; or
    - (2) is comprised within a System Exit Point which is subject to a Special Offtake Arrangement; or
    - (3) which is comprised in an LDZ Specified Exit Point identified within a Supply Point Nomination in respect of which a Supply Point Registration has occurred; or
    - (4) which is comprised in a Notional NTS Connection Point identified within a Supply Point Offer in respect of which a Supply Point Registration has occurred; or
  - (iii) such Supply Meter Installation comprises a Supply Meter to which telemetered equipment has been installed in accordance with Section M4.9.1; or
  - (iv) which the Transporter and the User at such Supply Point have agreed shall be a Special Metering Supply Point.

7.1.2 In respect of any Siteworks:

- (a) the **"Siteworks Applicant"** is the User or other person who has requested that the Siteworks be undertaken;
- (b) the **"Siteworks Contract"** is the contract between the Transporter and the Siteworks Applicant under which the Transporter is to undertake the Siteworks;
- (c) the **"Completion Date"** is the date of substantial completion (as defined or described in the Siteworks Contract) of the Siteworks;
- (d) the **"Target Completion Date"** means the intended Completion Date of the Siteworks as specified in or determined under the Siteworks Contract;
- (e) **"Connections Work"** is the connection of the service pipe (or any part thereof) for the establishment of a New Supply Meter Point on to the relevant System; and
- (f) **"Meter Fix Date"** is the date which has been notified to the Transporter as the date upon which a Supply Meter has been installed at a New Supply Meter Point.



- 7.1.3 Where the Siteworks Applicant is a User the Siteworks Contract shall not (unless it expressly provides to the contrary) be an Ancillary Agreement and does not form a part of and is not incorporated into the Code.
- 7.1.4 Where the Siteworks Applicant is not the Registered User of the relevant Supply Meter Point:
- (a) nothing in the Code shall make the Registered User liable for any payment becoming due under the Siteworks Contract; and
  - (b) the Transporter will have no liability to the Registered User in respect of any breach of the Siteworks Contract.
- 7.1.5 The Registered User of a Supply Meter Point will not be liable for any breach of the Code which results from a breach by the Transporter of a Siteworks Contract relating to that Supply Meter Point.
- 7.1.6 Notwithstanding paragraph 7.1.1(b)(iii) and (c)(i) and (ii) (which specifically does not include work relating to the Supply Meter Installation) for the purposes of this paragraph 7, "**Siteworks**" includes works undertaken by the Transporter:
- (a) at the request of a Registered User or other person in connection with the System for the purposes of installing, modifying, removing, or replacing a Supply Meter Installation at a Special Metering Supply Point;
  - (b) at the request of the Registered User for the purposes of ceasing or enabling the flow of gas at a Special Metering Supply Point.
- 7.1.7 The Transporter shall not be obliged to undertake work requested in accordance with paragraph 7.1.6(a) or 7.1.6(b), where the Special Metering Supply Point comprises a Special Metering Supply Point unless by no later than the date of such request the Registered User has notified the Transporter that it has obtained from those Users at such Shared Supply Meter Point their agreement to undertake such work.

## **7.2 Siteworks Terms and Procedures**

- 7.2.1 The Transporter will from time to time publish Siteworks Terms and Procedures applicable to different types of Siteworks or Siteworks in relation to different Supply Meter Points.
- 7.2.2 "**Siteworks Terms and Procedures**" means the procedures by which and terms and conditions on and subject to which a User or other person may request the Transporter to provide a quotation (where the price is not published) for and to undertake Siteworks and a Siteworks Contract may be entered into.
- 7.2.3 Siteworks Terms and Procedures do not form a part of the Code; and (without prejudice to any Legal Requirement applying to the Transporter) nothing in the Code requires the Transporter to undertake any Siteworks or to do so on any particular terms.
- 7.2.4 The Transporter agrees to give to Users notice:
- (a) of not less than 2 months of any change in published prices of Siteworks; and

- (b) of not less than 3 months of any other change to contract terms contained in Siteworks Terms and Procedures (other than the addition of terms and procedures for a type of Siteworks not previously covered).

### 7.3 New Supply Meter Points

- 7.3.1 Where the Transporter has been notified that Connections Work is to be or has been undertaken then on or as soon as reasonably practical after the relevant date (in accordance with paragraph 7.3.2) the Transporter will:
  - (a) enter such New Supply Meter Point and the Supply Meter Point Reference Number for the same on to the Supply Point Register; and
  - (b) for the purposes of this Section G treat the same as a Supply Meter Point.
- 7.3.2 For the purposes of paragraph 7.3.1 the relevant date is the date upon which the Transporter has received notice of the (i) allocation of a specific Supply Meter Point Reference Number to a New Supply Meter Point, or (ii) completion of the Connections Work, from the person who has undertaken the same, where received earlier than such allocation notice.
- 7.3.3 Subject to paragraph 7.3.7, no person shall be entitled to offtake gas from the Total System at a New Supply Meter Point at any time before the First Supply Point Registration Date.
- 7.3.4 For the purposes of the Code, the "**First Supply Point Registration Date**" is the Supply Point Registration Date of the first Supply Point Registration to be made for a Supply Point comprising the New Supply Meter Point.
- 7.3.5 Any User may, at any time after the time at which a New Supply Meter Point was entered in the Supply Point Register, submit a Supply Point Nomination in accordance with paragraph 2.3.1 and (subject to having received a Supply Point Offer) submit a Supply Point Confirmation in respect of a Proposed Supply Point which includes a New Supply Meter Point.
- 7.3.6 Where a User submits
  - (a) a Supply Point Nomination in accordance with paragraph 2.3 (in respect of a Larger Supply Point, or a New Smaller Supply Point and there is more than one Supply Meter Point comprised in the Proposed New Smaller Supply Point):
    - (i) the User shall provide to the Transporter the User's estimate of the quantity which the User expects to be offtaken from the Total System at the Supply Meter Point in a 12 month period under seasonal normal conditions, which estimate shall (if the Supply Point Confirmation becomes effective) be the Annual Quantity for the Supply Meter Point;
    - (ii) where there is a DM Supply Point Component, the Nominated Supply Point Capacity shall not be less than the User's estimate of the maximum quantity of gas to be offtaken on any Day in the next 12 months on the basis of reasonable assumptions as to weather conditions;

- (iii) where there is an NDM Supply Point Component, the User shall provide to the Transporter the User's estimate of the value of any variable by reference to which any End User Category (to which such Supply Point Component might belong) is in the relevant Gas Year defined in accordance with Section H; and
  - (iv) the User's estimates under paragraphs (i), (ii) and (iii) shall be made in good faith and after all appropriate enquiries of the consumer and on the basis of reasonable skill and care;
- (b) a Supply Point Confirmation in accordance with paragraph 2.6 then the User shall be deemed to have provided User's estimate of the quantity which the User expects to be offtaken from the Total System at the Supply Meter Point in a 12 month period under seasonal normal conditions, which estimate shall (if the Supply Point Confirmation becomes effective) be the Annual Quantity for the Supply Meter Point.

7.3.7 In respect of both Smaller and Larger Supply Meter Points:

- (a) where a Supply Point Confirmation (including any subsequent Supply Point Confirmation) in respect of a New Supply Meter Point has been submitted then in the absence of a rejection of such Supply Point Confirmation:
  - (i) where the Meter Fix Date is prior to the date upon which such Supply Point Confirmation is submitted, the Proposing User which submitted such Supply Point Confirmation will be treated as being the Registered User (but not an Existing Registered User) from:
    - (1) the Meter Fix Date, where such Proposing User is the person that has submitted the Meter Fix Reading as described M3.8.11(a);
    - (2) the date such Supply Point Confirmation is submitted, where such Proposing User is not the person that has submitted the Meter Fix Reading as described in M3.8.11(a)until the Supply Point Registration Date;
  - (ii) where the Meter Fix Date is after or upon the date on which such Supply Point Confirmation is submitted, the Proposing User which submitted such Supply Point Confirmation will be treated as being the Registered User (but not an Existing Registered User) from the Meter Fix Date until the Supply Point Registration Date;
- (b) where the Proposing User is treated as being the Registered User, the Proposing User shall, notwithstanding that there is no Supply Point Registration in respect of the Proposed Supply Point (and irrespective of the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date) be permitted to offtake gas from the Total System at such New Supply Meter Point;
- (c) the quantity of gas (if any) so offtaken on any Day will be counted as an UDQO of the User for the purposes of Code (and in particular the User will be liable to pay any appropriate Transportation Charges in relation thereto);

- (d) for the purposes of the first NDM Reconciliation the quantity of gas (if any) so offtaken will be counted as part of the Reconciliation Quantity (for which purposes a quantity of zero shall be assumed to have been offtaken); and accordingly the User will be liable to pay Reconciliation Clearing charges and Reconciliation Transportation Charge Adjustments in respect of the quantity of gas (if any) so offtaken; and
- (e) where any Supply Point Confirmation (including any subsequent Confirmation) has been rejected by the Transporter then the Proposing User whose Supply Point Confirmation has been rejected shall promptly take steps to ensure gas is not offtaken at the New Supply Meter Point.

#### 7.4 Siteworks Specified Capacity, etc

7.4.1 The Siteworks Terms and Procedures allow for the Siteworks Contract to specify (at the request of the Siteworks Applicant):

- (a) a Supply Point or (without prejudice to the requirements of this Section G for submission of a Supply Point Nomination and/or Supply Point Confirmation) a Proposed Supply Point, or a Supply Point Component, in which the Supply Meter Point or New Supply Meter Point subject to the request for Siteworks is or is to be comprised; and
- (b) in relation to such Supply Point or Supply Point Component:
  - (i) in the case of a DM Supply Point Component, an amount of Supply Point Capacity and/or a Supply Point Offtake Rate (but without prejudice to the requirement subsequently to apply therefor);
  - (ii) in the case of an NDM Supply Point Component, a threshold rate increase (in accordance with paragraph 5.6.3(b));
  - (iii) a request that the Firm Transportation Requirement be satisfied or (in the case of a TNI Supply Point) the Interruption Allowance be reducedfollowing such Siteworks.

7.4.2 For the purposes of this Section G, in respect of any Siteworks a Supply Point Component, Supply Point Capacity, Supply Point Offtake Rate, threshold rate increase, Firm Transportation Requirement or reduced Interruption Allowance (as the case may be) is "**Siteworks Specified**" where it is specified in a Siteworks Contract as described in paragraph 7.4.1.

7.4.3 Where:

- (a) a User submits (in accordance with paragraph 2.3), not later than the Target Completion Date or such later date as the Transporter shall have agreed (for the purposes of this paragraph) with the Siteworks Applicant, a Supply Point Nomination in respect of a Proposed Supply Point which includes a Siteworks Specified Supply Point Component which includes a New Supply Meter Point;

- (b) the Nominated Supply Point Capacity or Nominated Supply Point Offtake Rate does not exceed the Siteworks Specified Supply Point Capacity or Supply Point Offtake Rate

the Offered Supply Point Capacity or Supply Point Offtake Rate (in respect of the DM Supply Point Component) under a Supply Point Offer will be equal to the Nominated Supply Point Capacity or (as the case may be) Supply Point Offtake Rate.

- 7.4.4 Where a User applies, not later than the Target Completion Date or such later date as the Transporter shall have agreed (for the purposes of this paragraph 7.4.4) with the Siteworks Applicant, for increased Supply Point Capacity or an increased Supply Point Offtake Rate (in accordance with paragraph 5) at a Siteworks Specified Supply Point Component, which does not exceed the Siteworks Specified Supply Point Capacity or (as the case may be) Supply Point Offtake Rate, the Transporter will (subject to the provisions of the Code) accept such application.
- 7.4.5 Where a User notifies (in accordance with paragraph 5.6.5(a)), not later than the Target Completion Date or such other date as the Transporter shall have agreed (for the purposes of this paragraph 7.4.5) with the Siteworks Applicant, a threshold rate increase of not more than the Siteworks Specified threshold rate increase, the Transporter will give to the User the notification described in accordance with paragraph 5.6.5(b)(ii).
- 7.4.6 Where a User requests (in accordance with paragraph 6.3), not later than the Target Completion Date or such other date as the Transporter shall have agreed (for the purposes of this paragraph 7.4.6) with the Siteworks Applicant, that a Siteworks Specified Interruptible Supply Point be redesignated Firm in accordance with the Siteworks Specified Firm Transportation Requirement, or in respect of a TNI Supply Point a reduced Interruption Allowance not less than the Siteworks Specified reduced Interruption Allowance, the Transporter will accept such request.
- 7.4.7 A Siteworks Applicant may (subject to the Siteworks Terms and Procedures) request any Siteworks without at the same time requesting Siteworks for any reinforcement of a System that may be required to make it feasible to make gas available for offtake at any relevant Supply Meter Point; and accordingly, except to the extent expressly provided in this paragraph 7.4, the fact that the Transporter has entered into a Siteworks Contract or undertaken any Siteworks (for a New Supply Meter Point or otherwise) shall not commit the Transporter to accept a Supply Point Nomination or Supply Point Confirmation for any particular Nominated Supply Point Capacity or Supply Point Offtake Rate, nor any application for Supply Point Capacity or Supply Point Offtake Rate, or an increase therein, made by any User at any DM Supply Point Component nor a notification by any User of any particular threshold rate increase at any NDM Supply Point Component.

## **7.5 Undertaking Siteworks**

- 7.5.1 The Transporter will not be in breach of its obligation to make gas available for offtake at a Supply Meter Point where or to the extent that its ability to do so is impaired by reason of its carrying out any Siteworks in respect of that Supply Meter Point.
- 7.5.2 Where the Transporter carries out Siteworks at a Supply Meter Point comprised in a Supply Point whose Annual Quantity exceeds 73,200 kWh (2,500 therms), and the Siteworks Applicant is not the Registered User, the Transporter will, unless the Siteworks Applicant has requested the Transporter not to do so, notify the Registered

User of the Siteworks where practicable before and in any event promptly upon completing such Siteworks.

## ANNEX G-1

### **REVISIONS TO SUPPLY POINT REGISTER NOT REQUIRING RECONFIRMATION**

1. Subject to paragraph 2, the following revisions may be made (where and in the manner otherwise permitted under the Code) to the Supply Point Register without a Supply Point Reconfirmation by the Registered User:
  - (i) change in Supply Point Capacity;
  - (ii) change in Supply Point Offtake Rate;
  - (iii) change in Meter Reading Frequency;
  - (iv) change of Meter Reader;
  - (v) change in User emergency contacts;
  - (vi) change in User contacts' details for Interruptible Supply Points;
  - (vii) change in any details maintained pursuant to Standard Special Condition A50(8)(e) of the Transporter's Licence;
  - (viii) Isolation of a Supply Meter Point;
  - (ix) reconnection of a Supply Meter Point;
  - (x) change in supplier where there is no change of Registered User in respect of a Supply Point.
  
2. The revisions in items (i) and (ii) in paragraph 1 require a Supply Point Reconfirmation where such revisions are made following Siteworks.

**ANNEX G-2**

**MANDATORY ALLOCATION AGENCY TERMS**

**THIS AGREEMENT** is made on [ ]

**BETWEEN**

- (1) the persons whose names and addresses are set out in Part 1 of the Schedule hereto (the "**Shippers**"); and
- (2) the person whose name and address are set out in Part 2 of the Schedule hereto (the "**Consumer**").

**WHEREAS**

- A The Consumer is or is to be supplied with gas at the Premises by each of the persons named in Part 3 of the Schedule.
- B The Shippers are or will be Sharing Registered Users in respect of the Supply Meter Point(s) and wish to appoint the Consumer as Sharing Registered User Agent.

**IT IS AGREED** as follows:

**1. Definitions**

In this Agreement:

**"Supply Contract"** means, in relation to each Supplier, the contract between the Consumer and that Supplier for the supply of gas at the Premises, as from time to time in force;

**"Premises"** means the premises specified in Part 4 of the Schedule hereto;

**"Proper Quantity"** means, in relation to any Shipper, a quantity of gas which is:

- (a) not more than what the relevant Supplier was obliged to deliver and the Consumer was entitled to take; and
- (b) not less than what the Consumer was obliged to take and the relevant Supplier was entitled to deliver

at the Premises on any Day pursuant to the relevant Supply Contract (having regard to all nominations or other notices given or other things done by or on behalf of the Consumer or the relevant Supplier pursuant to and in accordance with that contract on that or any previous Day);

**"relevant Supplier"** means in relation to any Shipper, the Supplier (whether or not being such Shipper itself) which supplies or is to supply to the Consumer gas offtaken from the Total System by such Shipper at the Supply Meter Point(s);

**"Supplier"** means a person specified in Part 3 of the Schedule (whether or not being a User) supplying gas to the Consumer at the Premises;

**"Supply Meter Point(s)"** means the Supply Meter Point or Points (at the Premises) specified in Part 5 of the Schedule hereto;



**"the Transporter"** means [ ].

Words and expressions defined in the Uniform Network Code and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Uniform Network Code, and references to Sections are to Sections of the Transportation Principal Document.

## **2. Duration**

This Agreement shall become effective at 06:00 hours on the date specified in Part 6 of the Schedule and shall continue in force until and unless terminated by agreement of all of the Shippers.

## **3. Appointment and undertakings of User Agent**

3.1 At the request of the Consumer, the Shippers hereby appoint the Consumer, and the Consumer agrees to act as Sharing Registered User Agent for the purposes of TPD Section G1.7.

3.2 The Consumer undertakes to each Shipper, in relation to each Day while this Agreement is in force:

- (a) that the Consumer (as Sharing Registered User Agent) will notify to the Transporter, in accordance with the requirements of TPD Section G1.7 and the Shared Supply Meter Point Procedures, an allocation (and where so required a revised allocation) between the Shippers of the Supply Meter Point Daily Quantity Offtaken in respect of the Supply Meter Point(s); and
- (b) that the allocation so notified will be such that:
  - (i) TPD Section G1.7.9(b) applies;
  - (ii) the quantity of gas allocated to each Shipper is a Proper Quantity; and
- (c) where any Supplier is a Qualifying Supplier, that the Consumer will not take gas from a Supplier other than a Qualifying Supplier where the quantity of gas which the Consumer takes (by way of supply at the Premises) from any Qualifying Supplier is less than the maximum quantity which the Consumer was entitled, after taking account of any interruption requirement (and any unwillingness of a Qualifying Supplier to supply gas) in relation to the relevant Day, so to take on the Day from such Qualifying Supplier.

3.3 The Consumer undertakes to each Shipper to indemnify the Shipper against:

- (a) any loss (including without limitation by reason of any System Price differing from the price payable to it by the relevant Supplier), liability or damage incurred, by reason of the operation of the Code, by the Shipper;
- (b) where the Shipper is not the relevant Supplier, any liability of the Shipper to the relevant Supplier pursuant to the arrangements from time to time in force between the Shipper and the relevant Supplier

as a result (in either case) of any failure of the Consumer to comply with 3.2.

- 3.4 Where any Shipper is the relevant Supplier, nothing in this Agreement shall affect or prejudice the Supply Contract or any rights or obligations of the Shipper or Consumer thereunder; and in particular the Shipper shall not be taken, by reason of entering into this Agreement, to have assented to or waived any claim relating to the entering by the Consumer into any other Supply Contract.
- 3.5 The Consumer shall make no charge to any Shippers in respect of its services as Sharing Registered User Agent hereunder, and shall reimburse to each Shipper any amounts which the Shipper is liable to pay to the Transporter pursuant to TPD Section G1.7.18 by virtue of the Supply Meter Point being a Shared Supply Meter Point.
- 3.6 For the purposes of paragraph 3.2(c):
- (a) an "**interruption requirement**" is a requirement, imposed on the consumer by a Qualifying Supplier pursuant to any term of the relevant Supply Contract to limit the quantity of gas taken or not to take gas on a Day;
  - (b) a "**Qualifying Supplier**" is a Supplier whose Supply Contract came into force before 1st January 1998 and who was supplying gas to the Consumer at the Premises pursuant to its Supply Contract before the effective date specified in part 6 of the Schedule.

#### 4. **Miscellaneous**

- 4.1 If any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any respect the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions of this Agreement shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.
- 4.2 (a) No waiver by any Shipper or the Consumer of any default or defaults by another Shipper or the Consumer in the performance of any of the provisions of this Agreement shall operate or be construed as a waiver of any other or further default or defaults whether of a like or different character.
- (b) No failure or delay by any Shipper or the Consumer in exercising any right, power or privilege under this Agreement shall operate as a waiver thereof nor shall any single partial exercise by such Shipper or the Consumer of any right, power or privilege preclude any further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right, power or privilege.
- 4.3 This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in all respects in accordance with English law and the Shippers and the Consumer agree to submit to the jurisdiction of the English Courts as regards any claim or matter arising in relation to this Agreement.
- 4.4 This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the Shippers and the Consumer in relation to the Shared Supply Meter Point and no Shipper nor the Consumer has relied on any warranty or representation of the other except as expressly stated or referred to in this Agreement.
- 4.5 (a) Any notice to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be duly given if signed by or on behalf of a person duly authorised to do so by the person giving the notice and delivered by hand at, or by sending it by first class post or by facsimile transmission to the relevant address, or facsimile number

set out in Part 1 of the Schedule hereto in the case of the Shippers, and Part 2 of the Schedule hereto, in the case of the Consumer.

- (b) Any Shipper and the Consumer shall be entitled to amend in any respect the particulars which relate to it and which are set out in Parts 1 and 2 of the Schedule hereto by notice to the other Shippers and the Consumer.
- (c) Any such notice given as aforesaid shall be deemed to have been given or received:
  - (i) if sent by hand, at the time of delivery;
  - (ii) if sent by facsimile, upon transmission acknowledged by a correct transmission slip at the end of the message; and
  - (iii) if sent by post, 48 hours after posting.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF** the parties have entered into this Agreement as of the day and year first above written

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_ for  
and on behalf of  
***[INSERT NAMES OF SHIPPERS]***

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_ for  
and on behalf of  
***[INSERT NAME OF THE  
CONSUMER]***

**SCHEDULE**

**Part 1 - the Shippers**

*[Names and addresses]*

**Part 2 - the Consumer**

*[Name and address]*

**Part 3 - the Suppliers**

*[Names]*

**Part 4 - the Premises**

*[Address]*

**Part 5 - the Supply Meter Point(s)**

Supply Meter Point Reference Number:

**Part 6 - effective date**

*[Date]*