

Dear Colleague,

**Teleconference Agenda:** Pre-Modification Panel Briefing  
**Documentation at:** [www.gasgovernance.co.uk/panel/190315](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/panel/190315)  
**Teleconference details:** 0207 950 1251, access code 21870295#

Please note that we will be hosting a pre-Modification Panel briefing by teleconference starting at 13:00 on Monday 16 March 2015. Discussions will be based on the Modification Panel agenda ([www.gasgovernance.co.uk/panel/190315](http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/panel/190315)).

This pre-Panel briefing is intended to provide, in particular, an opportunity for smaller parties, including customer representatives as well as smaller Shippers and Suppliers, an opportunity to feed views into the modification process at critical stages. We therefore expect to focus on new Modifications and those on which the Panel will debate whether or not implementation is supported. Similar teleconferences are held on the Monday prior to each monthly Modification Panel meeting (third Thursday of the month). Any views on which information would be most helpful to you, or on the time and format of the teleconference, would be welcome.

Modifications that are on this month's Panel agenda are:

### ***New Modifications***

#### **Modification 0532 – Implementation of Non-Effective Days (Project Nexus transitional modification)**

Proposed by National Grid Distribution

This modification proposes transitional arrangements for a number (yet to be determined) of non-effective days to enable the transition between the existing and new regimes. Initial assessment of 0528 (Implementation of Supply Point Administration, gas allocation and settlement arrangements) indicated that it would be preferable to split out the non-effective days issue to ensure the remaining transition components could proceed efficiently through the modification process.

The Proposer is not seeking self-governance status for this modification, believing that the restriction to the customer switching process caused by the non-effective days have a material effect on competition.

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0532>

#### **Modification 0533 – Corrections to Network Entry Provisions in the National Grid NTS-BBL Interconnection Agreement**

Proposed by National Grid NTS

This modification seeks to enable the correction of several drafting errors relating to the parameters (eg hydrogen sulphide, carbonyl sulphur, sulphur, hydrocarbon dewpoint, water content and calorific value) specified in the Agreement. Although the Agreement

itself is outside of the UNC, it is normal practice to utilise an enabling modification of this kind to seek industry views.

The Proposer is seeking self-governance status for this modification, believing that the changes are consistent with the parameters in other upstream agreements and so do not have a material effect on competition.

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0533>

### **Modification 0534 – Maintaining the Efficacy of the NTS Optional Commodity (“shorthaul”) Tariff at Bacton Entry Points**

Proposed by Gazprom Marketing and Trading

To comply with the EU Capacity Allocation Mechanism, the Bacton Aggregated System Entry Point is to be split into UKCS and EU Interconnection Points (Modification 0501 and alternatives). Modification 0534 seeks to retain the single ASEP principle at Bacton for Shorthaul tariff purposes only, as the Proposer believes that the split introduces an unintended effect by potentially restricting the quantity of gas that can be shipped to a given Exit point.

The Proposer is not seeking self-governance status for this modification, believing that the change will remove the potential need for Shippers to pay higher than necessary conventional TO and SO charges, which may have a material effect on competition.

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0534>

### **Modification 0535 – Implementation of Non-Effective Days to enable Annual AQ Review (independent of Nexus transition)**

Proposed by Scotia Gas Networks

This modification seeks to introduce two non-effective days for the data processing necessary for the annual AQ review. Prior to the introduction of a reduced confirmation period from 7 to 2 days (under Modification 0477 Facilitation of Faster Switching) the processing could be accommodated within the longer window.

The Proposer is not seeking self-governance status for this modification, believing that the restriction to the customer switching process caused by the non-effective days have a material effect on competition.

<http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0535>

## ***Implementation Recommendations***

None this month.

## ***Self Governance***

None this month.

I hope this summary is helpful.

Regards,

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