Appendix

Business Rules (11) – NDM Sampling H1.6

The following business rules provide a brief summary of the proposed Network Code provisions required for NDM Sampling. Further to a review of the existing rules for meter asset unbundling the impacts are as follows:

IMPACTS: REVISIONS REQUIRED TO EXISTING RULES TO PERMIT TRANSCO TO SELECT NDM SAMPLE SITES H1.6.2.

NEW PROVISIONS ON USERS TO ASSIST TRANSCO IN GAINING ACCESS WHERE REQUIRED FOR THE PROCESS OF ESTABLISHING A NDM DEMAND ESTIMATION SAMPLE AND INSTALLATION OF DAILY READ EQUIPMENT IN ADDITION TO DATA RECORDERS (SEE H1.6.3).

REASON: **Supply Meter Installations may be owned by many different parties and Transco needs access to NDM sample sites to comply with its obligations for Demand Estimation.**

DEPENDENCIES: M4.1 Daily Read Equipment (see Business Rules)**.**

1. Transco will develop End User Categories and Demand Models from data it obtains relating to daily offtakes of gas at the Supply Meter Points comprised in a sample of NDM Supply Point components in LDZs. ***(Network Code H1.6.1 - unchanged).***

2. To facilitate the process as defined above:

   - Transco will select a random sample from NDM Supply Point Components with different Annual Quantities and from different geographical locations.
   - Transco will designate NDM Supply Meter Points at which it wishes to install data recorders and Daily Read Equipment.
   - Transco will, at its cost, install and operate data recorders or Daily Read Equipment at such NDM Supply Meter Points.
   - It is Transco's responsibility to ensure that the sample of NDM Supply Point components is fit for purpose.
   - All NDM Supply Points are in principle available for selection by Transco for inclusion in the sample of NDM Supply Point Components.

3. For the purposes of the above:

   - A data recorder is a device which captures Meter Readings at a Supply Meter Installation, but can only be read at the Supply Point premise.
   - Registered users will co-operate with Transco for the purposes of ensuring that the sample of NDM Supply Point Components is and continues to be fit for purpose.
   - Specifically, Registered Users will cooperate with Transco in enabling access, where required, to Supply Meters for the process of establishing and operating the NDM sample.

- Transco will not select any NDM Supply Meter Point for installing a data recorder or Daily Read Equipment without the Consumer's consent and the Registered User agrees to co-operate with Transco in gaining such consent. ***(Network Code H1.6.3 – Revised to include new provisions for Registered Users co-operate with Transco in ensuring the NDM Sample continues to be fit for purpose).***

4. For each Gas Year an NDM Supply Point Component at which a data recorder or Daily Read Equipment is for the time being installed is a 'Sampled' NDM Supply Point Component. (***Network Code H1.6.4 - unchanged).***

5. The aggregate number of Sampled NDM Supply Point components at Supply Points with Annual Quantities up to 2196 MWh pa will be a minimum of 3,900 or such other number as may be established as detailed in 6. ***(Network Code H1.6.5 - unchanged).***

6. Transco will consult with all Users and the Director on whether to reduce or increase the number or materially alter the identity or location of the NDM Supply Point Components which are sampled. ***(Network Code H1.6.6- unchanged).***

7. The data obtained by Transco for the NDM sample will be subject to validation by Transco. ***(Network Code H1.6.7- unchanged).***

8. Data used for the development of Demand Models will be data obtained for each gas year from Supply Meter Points comprised in Supply Point Components from a sample randomly selected by Transco having different Annual Quantities in an LDZ. The aggregate number of the Sample Components at Supply Points with Annual Quantities greater than 2,196 mWh p.a. will be a minimum of 1,600 or such other number as may be established as detailed in 6. ***(Network Code H1.6.8 - unchanged).***

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