TRANSCO NETWORK CODE MODIFICATION PROPOSAL No. 0677

"Supply Metering Unbundling - Non-effective day required for the Review of Gas Metering Arrangements (RGMA) 'cutover'."
Version 1.0

Date: 09/12/2003

Proposed Implementation Date: 12/07/2004

Urgency: Non-Urgent

Justification

The Meter Asset/Work sub-group of the Supply Point & Billing Workstream has identified that a Network Code 'non-effective' day is required to facilitate systems 'cutover' to the new Review of Gas Metering Arrangements (RGMA) regime.

For the purposes of clarity it is important to distinguish a 'non-effective day' from a 'non-business day'. A 'non-business day' is reflected within the exceptions described within Principal Document Sections G1.10.1(i) & (ii) - i.e. those Days which are other than a Network Code Business Day. Users may continue to submit Supply Point Administration (SPA) files on 'non-business days' but any such files would not be processed by Transco. A 'non-business day' additionally does not form part of the Supply Point Confirmation lead time although Supply Point Registration may occur on a 'non-business day'.

In contrast all SPA systems activity is suspended on a 'non-effective day' (a concept which was successfully developed and implemented for the introduction of Domestic Competition Phase III and as a Y2K contingency).

To facilitate RGMA 'cutover', a 'non-effective day' is required. The purpose of this is to allow successful implementation of the RGMA systems migration process.

Nature of Proposal

It is proposed that Monday 12 July 2004 becomes a Non-Effective day (as defined in Transition Document Part II, Section 9.3.4).

The requirements of a 'non-effective day' are described as follows:

- No revision of the Supply Point Register will be made.
- None of the following Code Communications may be made: Supply Point Nomination, Supply Point Offer, Supply Point Confirmation, Supply Point Objection, Supply Point Withdrawal, request for Isolation, notice of designation as firm or redesignation as Interruptible, application to increase or reduce Supply Point Capacity or Supply Point Offtake Rate.
- No application for Siteworks, or communication pursuant to any Siteworks Contract, or other communication (under the Code or any other contract between

Transco and a User) pursuant to which Transco would be required to revise the Supply Point Register, may be made

Purpose of Proposal

The purpose of this Modification Proposal is to ensure that the Network Code reflects the UK-Link transitional requirements of the separation of Transco's transportation and supply metering activities. This measure is consistent with Transco's GT Licence Relevant Objective of securing effective competition between relevant shippers and between relevant suppliers.

Consequence of not making this change

The efficiency and transparency of Transco's procedures for RGMA 'cutover' would be compromised.

Area of Network Code Concerned

Transition Document Part II 'Interim Terms'.

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