

TRANSCO NETWORK CODE MODIFICATION PROPOSAL No. 0725
"Ammendment of Network Entry Provisions at Onshore Aggregated System Entry
Points"
Version 1.0

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Proposed Implementation Date: 01/11/2004

Urgency: Non-Urgent

Justification

These ASEPs inject gas from the National Transmission System (NTS). It is necessary that the prevailing entry conditions (for withdrawal from these facilities) are aligned with any changes to NTS Network Entry Provisions at other Entry Points. Otherwise, it is possible that gas injected from these ASEPs from Winter 04/05 could be of a specification that would not be accepted for re-delivery into the NTS due to the current entry provisions as specified in the relevant Connection Agreements.

If Transco were to reject gas entering the NTS from these facilities, even though it had been already accepted such gas into the NTS from other Network Entry Points, this could lead to discrimination against these sites, and have significant implications for the security of gas supplies.

Recent modifications to other Network Entry Agreements will facilitate the delivery of lower Wobbe gas supplies to the NTS. Onshore ASEPs take gas from the NTS and therefore it is possible that, at some time during injection operations, gas of a lower Wobbe limit will enter these facilities. These sites must ensure that gas re-delivered from to the NTS complies with entry provisions as set out in the relevant Storage Connection Agreement.

This modification seeks to further the relevant objectives by facilitating the efficient and economic operation of the pipeline system by removing the possibility of out of specification gas being redelivered at onshore ASEPs.

This Proposal has been raised in accordance with the provisions of Section I2.2.3 which require amendment of Network Entry Provisions by way of a Network Code Modification, once Transco and the Delivery Facility Operator have agreed to change the Network Entry Provisions and to incorporate these in a Network Entry Agreement (which for the purposes of this proposal are set out within the relevant Storage Connection Agreements).

Nature of Proposal

We are seeking a change to the Network Entry provisions at onshore Aggregated System Entry Points (ASEPs) - as set out in the relevant Connection Agreements

- to align with potential changes in entry conditions at other Network Entry Points.

Purpose of Proposal

Implementation of this modification would secure effective competition between relevant shippers by not giving rise to undue discrimination. This is achieved by ensuring Users at other ASEPs are not discriminated against, by ensuring consistent gas entry conditions. The purpose of the proposal is also important in respect of security of supply and maximising gas availability.

Consequence of not making this change

Should this modification not be made, it is possible that gas injected into certain storage facilities could be of a specification that could not then be redelivered into the NTS. This reduced supply of gas will distort competition in the provision of gas balancing and other system services that Transco must procure to operate the system

Area of Network Code Concerned

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