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NGG Gas Quality Blending Services Consultation

We have been exploring the possibility of NGG blending services at suitable NTS entry points for a while and have now reached the point where we want to conduct our first formal industry consultation on this topic

We plan to publish the consultation document in mid-September 2020 for a two-month period, with a consultation report to follow before Christmas

We currently expect to publish the consultation on our website and notify the industry via ENA and Joint Office e-mails

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Requests to Change Gas Quality Limits: NGG Cost Recovery Arrangements

When a terminal operator proposes to amend a gas quality limit within their Network Entry Agreement / Storage Connection Agreement / Interconnection Agreement, we incur manpower costs associated with the following activities:

- Bilateral and UNC Workgroup engagement to progress the request
- Network analysis to model penetration of the gas into the network
- Updating the connection agreement
- 'Operational' activities that may need to be planned and completed on-site to give effect to the change, e.g. re-ranging telemetry settings or adjusting measurement instrumentation with associated control system testing

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Historically, we have only recovered costs associated with the 'operational' activities from the requesting operator where these are material

We have reviewed the position and now propose to recover all elements of cost described on the previous slide from the requesting party

This is based on the principle that where we are doing work for the primary benefit of a specific party in relation to a specific location, it is appropriate for NGG to recover its costs from that customer rather than (by default) through transportation charges levied on all shippers as part of our 'market facilitation' role

We will update relevant guidance documents on our website in the near future

If you have any queries in relation to this change in NGG policy, please contact philip.hobbins@nationalgrid.com