

Implementation of Non Effective Days

 Notification of Implementation of UNC Modification 535

Briefing for UKLC – August 2015

Modifications

- Two UNC Modifications have been raised requesting non effective days
 - 0532 Implementation of Non Effective Days (Project Nexus transitional modification)
 - Modification 0532 proposes non effective days around Project Nexus Implementation Date (PNID).
 - 0535 Implementation of Non Effective Days to enable Annual AQ Review (independent of Nexus transition)
 - Modification 535 asks for two fixed non effective days i.e. 29th and 30th Sept 2015



Non Effective Days - Definition

- Non effective days are defined for each instance in which they are required.
- Previous non effective days have had the following principles:
 - Non effective days constitute UNC non Business Days but with the following additional features:
 - No communication (under the Code or any other contract between Transporter and a User) pursuant to which Transporter would be required to revise the Supply Point Register, may be made
 - No Supply Point Confirmations can be submitted or become effective
 - No communications (under Code or other contract) would be required to be processed by the Transporter to revise the Supply Point Register
 - DM Liability Relief



Non Effective Days - Benefits

- 'Non effective days' have been used around significant system implementations in the industry to reduce the associated risks by:
 - Allowing 'business as usual' activities to conclude without risk of data corruption
 - Facilitating migration allowing validation on source and target on stable platform
 - Allowing greater certainty on timings and reduced complexity of cutover
 - Allowing resources required time for cutover activities and releasing existing system support resources to assist





UNC Modification 0535 – Implementation of Non Effective Days to enable Annual AQ Review

Nexus Workgroup – March 2015

Background

- UNC Modification 0477 'Faster Switching' reduced the timescales of the change of shipper process.
- One way that this was achieved was to reduce the period between the Objection Deadline and the Supply Point Registration Date (referred to as the 'confirmation period') from 7 to 2 Business Days.
- These days allow Users and the Transporters certainty that a change of shipper event is confirmed. For example:
 - Users may request meter readings to be obtained for the Supply Point Registration Date
 - Transporters use this time period to collate the relevant data and propagate this around UK Link systems



Why Change?

- During the Annual AQ Process every Supply Meter Point AQ is updated.
- These AQs are updated to UK Link systems and made effective from 1st October each year.
- The AQ data must be correctly associated with the relevant Registered User to ensure that it is attributed correctly.
- Previous AQ Reviews have taken 5 days to upload the data, associate to the User, validate and provide this data to Gemini.
 - Prior to 0477 this process could start at D-7 (business days).
 - Following 0477 the User will not be confirmed until D-2.



- In order to provide sufficient time to process and validate the data it is proposed that two non-effective days will be required.
- The non effective days will have the effect of extending the 'confirmation period' so that the Objection Deadline will be no later than Friday 25th September.
- The non effective days will apply only to UNC Section G and M processes e.g.
 - SPA transactions
 - RGMA transactions
 - Meter Reading transactions



535 Non Effective Day Detailed Solution

- Contrary to previous definitions of non effective days
 - Propose that Supply Point Confirmations MAY become effective on these NEDs
 - Proposed to continue to issue DM Readings to Users
- Consistent with previous definitions of non effective days
 - No communications (under Code or other contract) would be required to be processed by the Transporter to revise the Supply Point Register
- Note: this definition appears to be consistent with a Non Supply Point System Business Day
 - other than under these NEDs PREFER that Code and other communications are NOT issued**
 - Code comms could be processed following NEDs provided that minimum timescales are observed**

** - Amended from PNUNC Presentation

