Stage 04: Final Modification Report

0480FT:

Minor update to UNC General Terms Section B

At what stage is this document in the process?

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02 Workgroup Report

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Final Modification Report

Section B, Paragraph 5.1 of the UNC General Terms erroneously refers to UNC TPD V5.13.3 when it should refer to V5.14.3. This proposal amends it accordingly.



The Panel determined that this fast track self-governance modification be implemented.



High Impact: N/A



Medium Impact: N/A



Low Impact: All

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About this document:

This Final Modification Report was considered by the Panel on 20 February 2014.

The Panel unanimously determined that this modification should be implemented.



Any questions?

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1 Summary

Is this a Self-Governance Modification?

As this modification is only proposing to amend an incorrect reference in UNC, the Panel determined that it should be Self Governance as it:

- (i) is unlikely to have a material effect on:
 - (aa) existing or future gas consumers; and
 - (bb) competition in the shipping, transportation or supply of gas conveyed through pipes or any commercial activities connected with the shipping, transportation or supply of gas conveyed through pipes; and
 - (cc) the operation of one or more pipe-line system(s); and
 - (dd) matters relating to sustainable development, safety or security of supply, or the management of market or network emergencies; and
 - (ee) the uniform network code governance procedures or the network code modification procedures; and
- (ii) is unlikely to discriminate between different classes of parties to the uniform network code/relevant gas transporters, gas shippers or DN operators.

Is this a Fast Track Self-Governance Modification?

The Panel determined that this proposal qualified as a fast track self-governance under b. iii below; correcting formatting and consistency errors, such as paragraph numbering.

The modification:

- a. would meet the self-governance criteria; and
- is properly a housekeeping modification required as a result of some error or factual change, including but not limited to:
 - i. updating names or addresses listed in the uniform network code;
 - ii. correcting minor typographical errors;
 - iii. correcting formatting and consistency errors, such as paragraph numbering; or
 - iv. updating out of date references to other documents or paragraphs."

Why Change?

Section B, Paragraph 5.1 of the UNC General Terms erroneously refers to UNC TPD V5.13.3 when it should refer to V5.14.3 and this proposal amends it accordingly.

Solution

Update Section B, Paragraph 5.1 of the UNC General Terms accordingly.

Relevant Objectives

This proposal has a positive impact on Relevant Objective (f); promotion of efficiency in the administration and implementation of the Code.

Implementation

This modification could be implemented 16 days after a unanimous vote in favour of implementation by the Modification Panel. There are no implementation costs for this modification.

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2 Why Change?

Section B, Paragraph 5.1 of the UNC General Terms states:

5.1.1 The Code contemplates that Code Communications and Offtake Communications (collectively "Communications") may be given by the following means:

. . .

(d) for the purposes of TPD Section V5.13.3 only, by such methods as set out in the Shipper Incident Communication Procedure...

subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Code.

UNC TPD Section V5.13.3 states:

5.13 DN Operator Cost Information

5.13.3 Cost Information beyond the expiry of the DN Operator price control period ending 31 March 2013 will be based on assumptions to be subject to further agreement between the DN Operators and Shippers.

UNC TPD Section V5.14.3 states:

5.14 Incident Communications

5.14.3 The Shipper Incident Communication Procedure shall contain the methods by which a User may obtain the information set out therein.

It is believed that Section B, Paragraph 5.1 of the UNC General Terms is referring to the wrong section of the UNC.

3 Solution

Update Section B, Paragraph 5.1 of the UNC General Terms to refer to V1.14.3 instead of V1.13.3.

User Pays

Classification of the modification as User Pays, or not, and the justification for such classification.

No User Pays service would be created or amended by implementation of this modification and it is not, therefore, classified as a User Pays Modification.

Identification of Users of the service, the proposed split of the recovery between Gas Transporters and Users for User Pays costs and the justification for such view.

N/A

Proposed charge(s) for application of User Pays charges to Shippers.

N/A

Proposed charge for inclusion in the Agency Charging Statement (ACS) – to be completed upon receipt of a cost estimate from Xoserve.

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4 Relevant Objectives

Impact of the modification on the Relevant Objectives:		
Relevant Objective	Identified impact	
a) Efficient and economic operation of the pipe-line system.	None	
b) Coordinated, efficient and economic operation of(i) the combined pipe-line system, and/ or(ii) the pipe-line system of one or more other relevant gas transporters.	None	
c) Efficient discharge of the licensee's obligations.	None	
 d) Securing of effective competition: (i) between relevant shippers; (ii) between relevant suppliers; and/or (iii) between DN operators (who have entered into transportation arrangements with other relevant gas transporters) and relevant shippers. 	None	
e) Provision of reasonable economic incentives for relevant suppliers to secure that the domestic customer supply security standards are satisfied as respects the availability of gas to their domestic customers.	None	
f) Promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Code.	Positive	
g) Compliance with the Regulation and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Energy Regulators.	None	

This modification will positively impact Relevant Objective f) promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Code, as it will ensure a currently incorrect reference within the UNC is corrected.

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5 Implementation

This modification could be implemented 16 days after a unanimous vote in favour of implementation by the Modification Panel.

6 Legal Text

Section B, Paragraph 5.1 of the UNC General Terms

- 5.1.1 The Code contemplates that Code Communications and Offtake Communications (collectively "Communications") may be given by the following means:
- ...(d) for the purposes of TPD Section V5.134.3 only, by such methods as set out in the Shipper Incident Communication Procedure...

subject to and in accordance with the provisions of the Code.

7 Panel Discussions

The Panel Chair summarised that Modification 0480 seeks to correct a non-material error in the UNC in that, in Section B of the General Terms, paragraph 5.1 describing Shipper Incident Communication Procedures, a reference to Section V 5.13.3 has been used instead of the correct reference to Section V 5.14.3

Members considered the relevant objective (f) Promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Code and agreed that implementation of this change would have positive impact on this relevant objective.

Members voted unanimously to recommend implementation of Modification 0480.

8 Recommendation

Panel Recommendation

Having considered the Modification Report, the Panel determined:

that proposed fast track self-governance Modification 0480 should be made.

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