

Stage 04: Final Modification Report

# 0503FT:

Update of Transporter Procedure Document references within Network Code.

At what stage is this document in the process?

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The modification seeks to amend the references in the UNC to the documents referenced T/PR/GT2, T/PR/GT3, and T/PR/GT4 detailing Transporter required procedures related to metering.



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



High Impact: None



Medium Impact: None



Low Impact: All Code parties

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Transporter: Not applicable





# About this document:

This Final Modification Report was considered by the Panel on 17 July 2014.

The Panel unanimously determined that this modification should be implemented.

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# 1 Summary

## Is this a Self-Governance Modification?

As this modification only proposes to update document references in Code it is unlikely to have a material impact on Code Parties, Consumers or competition.

## Is this a Fast Track Self-Governance Modification?

The modification is proposed as Fast Track Self-governance as it merely changes references within code to the documents and therefore;

- a. meets 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:
  - iv. updating out of date references to other documents or paragraphs.

# Why Change?

The Energy Networks Association now hosts documents referenced in the Network Code that set out procedures for:

- 1. T/PR/GT2 Management Procedure for Requesting a Gas Transporter to: Authorise the Setting and Sealing of Regulators and Associated Safety Devices; Authorise the Installation of a Meter by-pass; Approve a Meter Housing Design.
- 2. T/PR/GT4 Management Procedure for: Sealing of Equipment to Protect against Theft of Gas and Tampering.

The documents have been given new references, which this modification seeks to update.

### Solution

Remove references to T/PR/GT2, T/PR/GT3 & T/PR/GT4 and replace them with the new reference GDN/PM/GT2 & GDN/PM/GT4 and the Joint office of Gas Transporters is to provide a link on its website to where the documents can be found.

# **Relevant Objectives**

Relevant Objective (f) – Promotion of efficiency in the administration of the network code, as it will allow the correctly referenced document to be easily located.

# **Implementation**

This is a document only change and should be easily updated in the code by the Joint Office of Gas Transporters. As fast track self-governance procedures are proposed, implementation could be sixteen business days after a unanimous vote in favour of implementation by the Modification Panel, subject to no objection being raised.

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# 2 Why Change?

Hosting of the Transporter procedures by the Energy Networks Association on behalf of the Gas Transporters has resulted in them being issued new references, which haven't been updated into Network Code. This can make it difficult for parties to find when searching under the document references defined in code. This modification seeks to update those references to ensure that code parties can locate and follow the Transporter procedures.

# 3 Solution

Remove references to T/PR/GT2, T/PR/GT3 & T/PR/GT4 and replace them with the new reference GDN/PM/GT2 & GDN/PM/GT4.

By way of clarification, and not for inclusion in the UNC, the Joint Office of Gas Transporters is to provide a link on its website to where the documents can be found.

## **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.

n/a

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# **4 Relevant Objectives**

| Imp                | 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              |  |  |

# Relevant Objective (f) – Promotion of efficiency in the administration of the network code.

As this modification will allow the documents to be correctly referenced it will result in them being more easily located, and therefore assist the industry in compliance with the obligations parties are required to meet under these procedures.

# 5 Implementation

As fast track self-governance procedures are proposed, implementation could be sixteen business days after a unanimous vote in favour of implementation by the Modification Panel, subject to no objection being raised.

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### **TPD Section M**

#### SUPPLY METER INSTALLATION 2

#### 2.1 Supply Meter and other equipment

- 2.1.6 The design and specification of certain Supply Meter Installations (where required to be installed) will be agreed with the Transporter in accordance with the T/PR/GT2-GDN/PM/GT2 and will comply with the relevant Ofgem Codes of Practice.
- 2.1.12 For the purposes of this Section M:
  - "T/PR/GT2 GDN/PM/GT2" is the document entitled Management Procedures for Obtaining Requesting a Gas Transporter to: Authoriseation for the Setting and Sealing of the Meter Regulators and any Associated Pressure Control and Protection Safety Device(s) associated with the Gas Supply Meter Installation as published by the Transporter from time to time is and can be found on the Energy Networks Association Website;

#### 2.3 Interference with meters and meter by-pass utilisation

The Registered User shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that:

- no person improperly breaks any seal affixed to any part of the Supply Meter Installation or tampers or otherwise interferes with any Supply Meter Installation, utilises a meter by-pass other than as permitted by T/PR/GT3 GDN/PM/GT23, or utilises a temporary alternative arrangement;
- (b) upon each visit to the Supply Point Premises by any representative of that User or the supplier, or by any person engaged (by that User, the supplier or the consumer) to obtain an On-site Meter Read, there is promptly reported to the Transporter any evidence which is or ought (having regard to the purposes for which such person is visiting the premises) to be apparent to such representative or person of the breaking of any such seal or of any such tampering or interference (including any activated tamper alarm) or otherwise of theft or attempted theft of gas, or the utilisation of a meter by-pass other than as permitted by T/PR/GT3GDN/PM/GT23, or the utilisation of a temporary alternative arrangement.

#### 2.4 Meter by-pass

- 2.4.1 In the circumstances permitted by the Registered User in accordance with T/PR/GT3-GDN/PM/GT23 a meter by-pass may be installed (as a part of the Supply Meter Installation), or a temporary alternative arrangement may be utilised, at a Supply Meter Point.
  - 2.4.2 For the purposes of the Code:
    - Not Used "GDN/PM/GT3T/PR/GT3" is the document entitled Procedures for Meter By pass Provision. Use and Approval relating to the installation and utilisation of meter by passes, as published by the Transporter from time to time., and can be found on the Energy Networks Association Website.

### **TPD Section G**

#### **Isolation: General** 3.4

- 3.4.1 For the purposes of the Code and subject to paragraph 3.8:
  - "T/PR/GT4 GDN/PM/GT4" is the document relating to the cessation of the flow of gas entitled Management Procedure for: Transporters Sealing of Equipment to Protect against Theft of Gas and Tampering, as published by the Transporters from time to time, and can be found on the Energy Networks Association Website.

#### 3.5 **Isolation** request

3.5.5 Where a User provides a notification in accordance with paragraph 3.5.2 such User shall have taken all reasonable steps to ensure that all work to cease the flow of gas has been carried out by 0503FT suitably competent personnel using that degree of skill, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced person complying with applicable law, recognised industry standards and T/PR/GT4 GDN/PM/GT4, engaged in the same type of undertaking and the

Transporter will be entitled to assume that the User has complied with such obligation.

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# **UNC GENERAL: Defined Terms Listing**

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|          | T/PR/GT2   | TPD | M2.1.12(a)         |
|----------|------------|-----|--------------------|
|          | T/PR/GT3   | TPD | M2.4.2I            |
|          | T/PR/GT4   | TPD | <del>G3.4.11</del> |
| <u>G</u> |            |     |                    |
|          | GDN/PM/GT2 | TPD | M2.1.12(a)         |
|          | GDN/PM/GT3 | TPD | M2.4.2 (c)         |
|          | GDN/PM/GT4 | TPD | G3.4.1 (c)         |

# 7 Panel Discussions

The Panel Chair summarised that Modification 0503 has been raised as a fast-track self-governance modification to correct references to procedures T/PR/GT2, T/PR/GT3 & T/PR/GT4 that have been replaced by *references GDN/PM/GT2* & *GDN/PM/GT4* and published on the Energy Network Association website at: http://www.energynetworks.org/gas/regulation/gas-transporter-procedures.html

Members felt that the Solution would benefit from being clear that the publication of the link to these procedures was for information only and not, as the Legal Text was written, part of the UNC. The Proposer agreed with this minor amendment and Members agreed to continue to consider the proposal.

Members considered relevant objective (f) and agreed implementation would have positive impacts as this modification will allow the documents to be correctly referenced and it will assist locating them more easily.

Members voted unanimously to recommend implementation of Modification 0503.

# 8 Recommendation

### Panel Recommendation

Having considered the Modification Report, the Panel determined:

that proposed fast track self-governance Modification 0503 should be made.

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