Supplemental Representation

0353 - Population and Maintenance of the Market Sector Code within the Supply Point Register

Consultation close out date: 01 July 2011

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Do you support or oppose implementation?

Support

Has your support/opposition changed as a result of the issues raised in this further consultation?

No

Please summarise (in one paragraph) the key reason(s) for your support/opposition.

The reasons for our support of Modification Proposal 0353 were given in our response to the original consultation[1].

We have considered the issues raised by Ofgem at the Uniform Network Code (UNC) Panel meeting in June and believe that whilst the conflict in definitions may have an impact on Shippers, that impact will be negligible and thus that the benefits associated with the original proposal remain entirely valid.

The potential impact associated with this issue is that when a customer changes their consumption type from domestic to non-domestic or vice versa, the Shipper associated with the site may lose the ability to offer some future UNC related service to the customer at that site, before they might have been forced to do under Licence. We believe however that fact that the number of customers changing classification in this way is very small and that the fact that any impact will be limited to the period of time remaining on any contract, the overall impact of this issue is very small and within Shipper's ability to manage.

To that extent, we remain supportive of this proposal and believe it continues to meet the UNC Relevant Objectives.

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[1] This can be found here: http://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0353

Are there any additional issues that you believe should be recorded in the Supplemental Report?

No.