

0572: Amendment to the definition of AUG Year within UNC TPD Section E



This modification proposal amends the definition of 'AUG Year' as introduced by UNC Modification 0473, by changing the 'AUG Year' period start date from 1 April to 1 October.

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Why change?



- Under the existing AUG arrangements, introduced by Modification 0229 the AUG Table must be published by 1st February and takes effect on the 1st April.
- Modification 0473 arrangements introduce a 1st July (publication of the populated AUG Table) and 1st April (commencement of the next AUG Year and effective date of the new AUG Table published on 1st July). There is a period of 9 months inactivity.
- As the new AUG is likely to more accurately populate the AUG Table, this proposal seeks to address the additional 7 months of 'dead time' that will be introduced and aligns the new arrangements to the existing AUG arrangements.

Options



- As the AUG Year is a defined term within the UNC, modification of Section E is required to facilitate this change.

Solution



- The solution simply seeks to amend the definition of 'AUG Year' such that the period commences on 1 October and concludes on 30 September.
- These dates will replace the dates introduced by Modification 0473 of 1 April and 31 March respectively.
- We do not expect there to be any costs associated with the implementation of this proposal.

Recommended Steps



- The Proposer recommends that this modification should be:
 - Not subject to self-governance because the proposal could have a material impact on the amount of Unidentified Gas cost a Shipper User will pick up, which could have a material impact on competition in the shipping of gas.
 - Workgroup assessment to develop the modification for 2 months, with presentation of the Work Group report to March Panel.