# Project Nexus Principle Workshop ALLOCATION – 1<sup>ST</sup> WORKSHOP (extract)

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#### Allocation processes – why are they needed?

- Allocation rules are needed to share out all energy in an LDZ
  - Before the day Nominations process
  - After the day Energy balancing and commodity billing processes
- Need to measure or estimate all inputs and outputs
- Currently do not have daily reading equipment on all meter points (21+ million)
- So, need some means of estimating demand for non-daily metered (NDM) meter points
- Will need to share out energy fairly between remotely and non-remotely read meters until the last dumb meter is upgraded/removed



#### **Energy in the LDZ**

NDM Consumption = LDZ Demand – LDZ Shrinkage – DM Consumption





#### **NDM Demand Attribution**





#### **Inputs to NDM Demand Attribution**





## Allocation processes – Timelines (1)









# **NDM Apportionment Formula**





## **End User Categories**

- NDM Energy currently allocated by End User Category "EUC"
- All NDM sites in an EUC treated identically for nomination and allocation
- Assigned to an EUC based on LDZ and supply point AQ
- Each EUC has its own Annual Load Profile and Daily Adjustment factor
- ALPs and DAFs created using daily read data from the NDM Sample
- 429 EUCs 33 per LDZ



#### **Annual Load Profile**

- ALP : ratio of seasonal normal daily consumption in EUC to average daily seasonal normal consumption in that EUC over the year
- Example of 365 ALPs for a Smaller Supply point EUC (weather-sensitive):





## **Daily Adjustment Factor**

- DAF : ratio of percentage weather sensitivity of EUC to percentage weather sensitivity of total LDZ demand
- Example of a DAF for a Larger Supply point EUC (slightly below average weather-sensitivity):





# Winter: Annual Ratio (WAR) Bands

- Higher AQ Bands have a standard EUC plus 4 differential EUCs based on ratio of winter consumption to total annual consumption
- Monthly read sites with adequate read history allocated automatically to a WAR Band based on system calculation during AQ review



#### Variation in ALPs





#### xoserve System Context



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# Project Nexus Principle Workshop ALLOCATION – 2<sup>nd</sup> WORKSHOP (extract)

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## **Ensuring completeness of Allocations**

- Total metered site consumptions will never add up exactly to total LDZ throughput – could be over or under
- Causes of difference could include:
  - Consumer theft
  - Site metering/measurement errors
  - Missing meters
  - Missing reads
  - LDZ measurement errors, etc.
- Will need to apply a "correction" every day to initial measurements



## **Allocation Future Principle – Project Nexus**



- Daily "Balancing Correction" will always be required to ensure that all gas is allocated
- Could be positive or negative
- Could be apportioned based on:
  - Site AQ
  - Daily consumption
  - Other?
- Could be applied to:
  - Domestic only
  - Non-DM only
  - All sites
- Must treat Smart and non-Smart equitably

