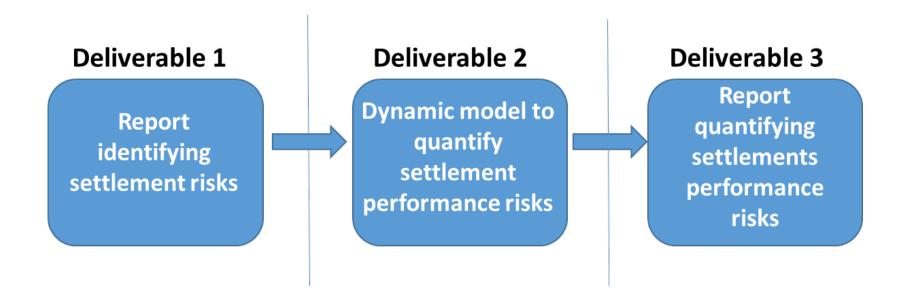




# Performance Assurance Independent Study

### Introduction

 2013/2014 – Engage Consulting completed an independent review of risks that affect fair and accurate settlement post Nexus



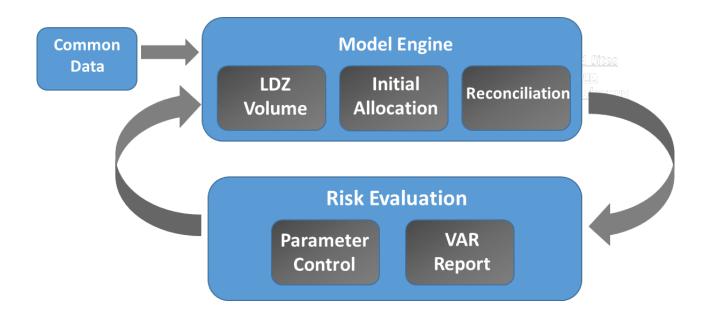


#### **Deliverable 1**

- A written report based on analysis of the post Nexus settlement arrangements. This included analysis of the Nexus BRDs, UNC Modifications comparing it to the current processes documented within the UNC.
- Risks to fair and equitable initial allocation and reconciliation were identified and categorised by; rules based risks, data input risks, transporter performance risks and shipper performance risks.



### **Deliverable 2**



- Dynamic model quantifies the 15 performance risks identified in the first report.
- The Value at Risk is determined based on an averaged sized LDZ over a year.
- The user can update the model and run scenarios.



# **Deliverable 3**

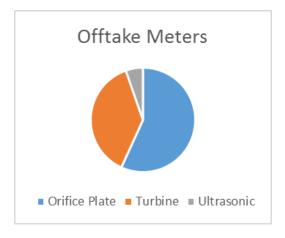
- Summary report ranking each of the risk
- Report determined how they effected settlement

		a	Products affected					-		UC	affe	cte	t	Range of risk	Range of risk		
Ranking		Risks		P2	Р3	P4	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	to allocation	to reconcilation
1	11	Theft of Gas	✓	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	£42,218,000	£43,046,000
2	12	Use of the AQ Correction Process	×	×	×	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓	×	£32,218,000	£32,836,000
3	5	Use of Estimated Read for Product 1 and 2	✓	<b>✓</b>	×	×	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$	£23,555,000	£47,000
4	1	LDZ Allocation Error - Corrected	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$	£21,152,000	-
5	7	Incorrect asset data on the supply point register	<b>√</b>	<b>\</b>	\	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>\</b>	£13,987,000	£14,073,000
6	_	Use of WAR for EUC 3 - 08	×	×	×	<i>√</i>	×	×	· ✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	· ✓	· ✓	· ✓	×	£8,908,000	-
7	2	LDZ Allocation Error - no correction	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$	£7,051,000	£7,051,000
8	15	Unregistered Sites	✓	<b>✓</b>	>	✓	$\checkmark$	✓	<b>✓</b>	>	>	✓	$\checkmark$	✓	✓	£2,481,000	£621,000
9	10	Shipperless Sites	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$	£2,326,000	-
10	3	Meter Read Validation Failure	×	×	×	✓	$\checkmark$	✓	<b>✓</b>	>	>	✓	$\checkmark$	<b>√</b>	×	£1,439,000	-
11	9	Late Check Reads	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	$\checkmark$	£1,437,000	£467,000
12	6	Read Submission Frequency for Product 4	×	×	×	✓	$\checkmark$	✓	✓	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	✓	×	£1,350,000	-
13	8	Change of Shipper estimated reads	×	×	×	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	×	£408,000	£410,000
14	4	Failure to Obtain a Meter Reading	×	×	×	✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	£79,000	£79,000
15	14	Approach to Retrospective Updates	×	×	<b>\</b>	✓	<b>✓</b>	✓	<b>√</b>	>	>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	×	-	£5,000



# **Independent Study**

- Each Distribution Network Operator is responsible for measuring and determining the volume of energy entering their network. This includes establishing;
  - Volume of LDZ shrinkage and
  - Amount of own use gas
- 187 offtake meters or inter LDZ meters across the networks
- A combination of ultrasonic, turbine or orifice meters, with varying degrees of accuracy and reliability.
- Accuracy determined in Measuring Instruments Directive



Meter Type	Accuracy
Orifice Plate	0.75 - 1.5%
Turbine	0.5 - 1%
Ultrasonic	0.30%



#### **Offtake Meter Errors**

- 124 offtake metering errors identified between Sept 2008- Sept 2013
- 8 offtake meter errors quantified since 2013
- The offtake arrangements UNC committee appoint two independent expert to investigate meter errors greater than 50GWh
- Adjustment will occur between NTS shrinkage and Unidentified Gas reconciliation, rather than RbD post Nexus



## **Summary Statistics**

We split these risks into two categories

#### **LDZ Offtake Errors which have been corrected**

- Average number of meters per LDZ- 14
- Average days per error 297
- 1 in 20 worst case
  - 3 errors on any given day
  - 290,342 kWh per day error

#### LDZ Offtake Errors which have not been identified

- Probability of an error being detected 90%
- 1 in 20 worst case
  - 1 errors on any given day
  - 96,781 kWh per day error



## **Conclusions**

	Risks		Products affected						E	UC	affe	cte	t		Range of risk	Range of risk	
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- Engage recommend that the transporters are targeted on completing their inspection visits within the timescales set in UNC OAD.
- Engage also recommend that the OAD is reviewed to ensure it is fit for purpose.

