Joint Office of Gas Transporters

0347 - Amend NTS Exit Capacity Assignment Start Date

Variation Request

Modification Proposal 0347 - Amend NTS Exit Capacity Assignment Start Date

Date: 24/11/2010

The Proposer, British Gas Trading (BGT) requests a variation to this Proposal, pursuant to UNC Modification Rules Section 6.5.1(c) of the UNC.

Reason for Variation

Upon further review whist preparing our response to this consultation, we have realised that in two places this proposal makes references to current arrangements allowing Users to relinquish both registered Enduring Annual Capacity and Annual NTS Exit (Flat) Capacity in the July Reduction Window. This is not correct.

The ability to relinquish unwanted Annual NTS Exit (Flat) Capacity in the July Reduction Window is not part of the arrangements implemented by 0195AV, and proposal 0347 does not seek to bring Annual NTS Exit (Flat) capacity within scope of the July Reduction Window. It simply seeks to bring forward the dates on which National Grid will facilitate capacity assignment between Users, without altering the scope of the capacity that can be assigned or relinquished.

References to Users being able to reduce Annual NTS Exit (Flat) Capacity are only included within proposal 0347 by way of setting out the context to the proposal, and we believe that the elements of 0347 which set out what should change, are clear. However, in order to avoid any confusion over the intention of this proposal we believe that the correct course of action is to Vary the proposal to remove all erroneous references to Annual NTS Exit (Flat) Capacity.

Nature of Variation

BGT has not sought to change the original intention or purpose of this proposal. Instead, we have simply removed references to a class of capacity – Annual NTS Exit (Flat) Capacity – which the proposal states can be relinquished in the July Reduction Window, but in reality cannot. We have provided an updated modification proposal in change-marked version for additional clarity.

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