NULL METER ERROR REPORT

FINAL

Reconcile?	N
Safety Issue?	Y/N
Thesis Report No.	

1. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

SITE NAME		Hydes Pas	tures
LDZ		WM	
START DATE (actual)			
LAST GOOD DATE		18 th February 2011	
END DATE		20 th July 2012	
SIZE OF ERROR (No reconciliation required if under 0.1%)		No Reconciliation (0.03 % underregistration)	
ESTIMATE – Y/N?		Υ	
ROOT CAUSE		Multiple faults in temperature measurement loop	
ANALYSIS		Estimation of error from validation data	
METER TYPE		Orifice	
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RECONCILIATION	Distribut	ion	Transportation

2. BACKGROUND

Hydes Pastures is an East Midlands to West Midlands Inter-LDZ transfer station comprising a single orifice plate meter stream. A Tracker device is deployed for relative density and calorific value determination and PTZ correction is used.

During an annual validation, the CP5 (RTD Input Check) test failed on 24th January 2012 subsequently passing following re-calibration on the same day. The CP13 (Temperature Spot Check) test then failed on 1st February 2012. Following extensive fault finding, the barriers, cable runs and junction boxes were all replaced and the problem was resolved, successfully passing the CP13 test on 20th July 2012.

3. ERROR QUANTIFICATION AND IMPACT

The temperature measurement error was -0.7 ^oC between 1st February 2012 and 20th July 2012. This was assumed to have extended back to the 24th January 2012 when the CP5 tests were performed.

On 24th January 2012 the error from the CP5 test was corrected from +1.23 °C to -0.1 °C. This indicates that the overall temperature measurement would have been approximately +0.63 °C on 24th January 2012, calculated as follows:

Overall temperature error (+0.63 °C) = ADC correction (+1.33 °C) + Spot check error (-0.7 °C)

The overall volume error has been estimated based on the temperature errors at 15 °C. The HPMIS recorded station integrator readings were used to determine the volume of gas in each period.

Date	Temperature Error (°C)	Flow Error (%)	Volume Recorded (scm)	Error (scm)
18/02/11 to 24/01/12	+0.63℃	+0.14 %	16,875,903	23,626
24/01/12 to 20/07/12	-0.7℃	-0.15 %	10,483,526	-15,725
Total Period		+0.03 %	27,359,429	7,901

The overall error is an under-registration of approximately 0.03 %.

4. CAUSES

Multiple temperature loop-related issues.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS AND LEARNING

The exact start of the first error period cannot be identified therefore the error for this period should be halved in accordance with the Offtake Arrangements Document. This would further reduce the overall error which remains well below the threshold for reconciliation.

REFERENCES

HPMIS Database

VERSION HISTORY

Version	Changes	Author	Date
0	Original	B. Kirkman	11/02/13

DISTRIBUTION

National Grid Gas Distribution