**UNC Final Modification Report** 

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# UNC 0744FT:

# Remove redundant reference to NTS Optional Commodity Charges

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# **Purpose of Modification:**

This Modification proposes the removal of the redundant reference to NTS Optional Commodity Charges in UNC TPD Section S Annex S-1 4(a)(iii).



The Panel determined that this Fast Track Self-Governance Modification be implemented



High Impact:

None



Medium Impact:

None



Low Impact:

No material impacts on Transporters and Shippers

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# 1 Summary

#### What

This Modification proposes the removal of the redundant reference to NTS Optional Commodity Charges in UNC TPD Section S Annex S-1 4(a)(iii).

#### Why

This Modification will ensure that references in UNC TPD Section S are aligned with the current invoice items by making this minor change. This change is proposed in this Modification and not in Modification 0678A as the invoice for September 2020 billing period is produced in October 2020 which is after the implementation date of Modification 0678A, so this change could not be implemented at that time.

#### How

This Modification will remove the wording of 'NTS Optional Commodity Charges' within UNC TPD Section S Annex S-1 4(a)(iii), as the product was removed as a result of implementation of Modification 0678A on the 01 October 2020.

### 2 Governance

# Justification for Fast Track Self-Governance, Authority Direction or Urgency

This Modification should be classed as a Fast Track Self-Governance Modification as it has no effect on existing or future gas consumers, competition between parties, operation of network systems or UNC procedures nor unduly discriminates between different classes of UNC parties. It proposes only removing the now redundant reference to NTS Optional Commodity Charges in UNC TPD Section S as the product was removed from UNC by the implementation of Modification 0678A, and should therefore be consider a non material housekeeping change.

Additionally, at the Pre-Modification discussion held at the NTSCMF on 03 November 2020 and Workgroup agreed with the proposal and its non materiality therefore making it suitable for Fast Track Self-Governance.

# **Requested Next Steps**

This Modification should:

- be considered a non-material change and subject to Self-Governance
- be subject to Fast Track procedures and implemented.

# 3 Why Change?

This Modification seeks to facilitate the removal of the wording 'NTS Optional Commodity Charges' in UNC TPD Section S Annex S-1 4(a)(iii), following the production of September invoices for NTS Optional Commodity Charges having been produced in October 2020. This is to align to the implementation of Modification 0678A which removed the NTS Optional Commodity Charges product from 01 October 2020.

# 4 Code Specific Matters

#### **Reference Documents**

Modification 0678A (Legal Text): <a href="https://gasgov-mst-files.s3.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/ggf/book/2019-05/Modification%200678A%20-%20Annex%20B%20Draft%20Legal%20Text%20-%20TPD%20Y%20Part%20I-A%20-%2015.05.2019%2864273200\_3%29.pdf">https://gasgov-mst-files.s3.eu-west-1.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/ggf/book/2019-05/Modification%200678A%20-%20Annex%20B%20Draft%20Legal%20Text%20-%20TPD%20Y%20Part%20I-A%20-%2015.05.2019%2864273200\_3%29.pdf</a>

#### Knowledge/Skills

UNC TPD Section S: <a href="https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/sites/default/files/ggf/page/2020-07/20%20TPD%20Section%20S%20-%20Invoicing%20and%20Payment 0.pdf">https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/sites/default/files/ggf/page/2020-07/20%20TPD%20Section%20S%20-%20Invoicing%20and%20Payment 0.pdf</a>

## 5 Solution

The following list covers the changes that are proposed:

Change Required	Comments
UNC TPD Section S Annex S-1 4(a)(iii)	Administrative change
Removal of 4(a)(iii): NTS Optional Commodity Charges	

# 6 Impacts & Other Considerations

Does this modification impact a Significant Code Review (SCR) or other significant industry change projects, if so, how?

No Impact

#### **Consumer Impacts**

None – proposes to remove a redundant reference to the NTS Optional Commodity Charges product which was removed as part of Modification 0678A implementation

# **Cross Code Impacts**

None

# **EU Code Impacts**

None

#### **Central Systems Impacts**

None, systems work was concluded as part of the implementation of Modification 0678A.

# 7 Relevant Objectives

Impact of the modification on the Relevant Objectives:		
Relevant Objective	Identified impact	
a) Efficient and economic operation of the pipe-line system.	None	
b) Coordinated, efficient and economic operation of	None	
(i) the combined pipe-line system, and/ or		
(ii) the pipe-line system of one or more other relevant gas transporters.		
c) Efficient discharge of the licensee's obligations.	None	
d) Securing of effective competition:	None	
(i) between relevant shippers;		
(ii) between relevant suppliers; and/or		
(iii) between DN operators (who have entered into transportation arrangements with other relevant gas transporters) and relevant shipp	pers.	
e) Provision of reasonable economic incentives for relevant suppliers to sec that the domestic customer supply security standards are satisfied as respects the availability of gas to their domestic customers.	ure None	
f) Promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Co	ode. Positive	
g) Compliance with the Regulation and any relevant legally binding decisions the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Ene Regulators.		

This Modification furthers Relevant Objective f) and therefore promotes efficiency in the administration of the UNC by providing accuracy in the description of invoice items included in Section S of TPD. The proposal removes the redundant reference to NTS Optional Commodity Charges within Section S 1 4(a)(iii), aligning with the rules implemented under UNC Modification 0678A on 01 October 2020, as the last NTS Optional Commodity Charges invoice was produced in October 2020.

# 8 Implementation

As Fast Track Self-Governance procedures are proposed, implementation could be sixteen business days after a unanimous vote in favour of implementation by the Modification Panel, subject to no Objection being raised.

# 9 Legal Text

# **Text Commentary**

Removal of the reference to NTS Optional Commodity Charges within UNC TPD Section S Annex S-1 4(a)(iii).

# Joint Office of Gas Transporters

#### **Text**

#### **TPD S Annex S-1**

Amend paragraph 4(a) to read as follows:

- 4 Commodity Invoice A "Commodity Invoice" is an Invoice Document in respect of the following Invoice Items:
  - (a) (i) NTS Entry Commodity Charges; and
    - (ii) NTS Exit (Flat) Commodity Charges; and
    - (iii) NTS Optional Commodity Charges;
  - (b) LDZ Commodity Charges; and
  - (c) Customer Charges Commodity Variable Component.

# 10 Panel Discussions

#### **Discussion**

The Panel Chair summarised that Modification 0744FT would remove the redundant reference to NTS Optional Commodity Charges in UNC TPD Section S Annex S-1 4(a)(iii) as it is no longer required following the implementation of Modification 0678A - Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime (Postage Stamp).

Panel Members agreed that this is an immaterial change and is properly a housekeeping modification required as a result of some factual change following the implementation of Modification 0678A NTS, which removed the Optional Commodity Charges product. Therefore, this Modification is suitable for Fast Track Self-Governance.

#### **Consideration of the Relevant Objectives**

Panel Members considered relevant objective *f) Promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Code*, agreeing that implementation would have a positive impact because this change is providing accuracy in the description of invoice items included in UNC TPD Section S. The proposal removes the redundant reference to NTS Optional Commodity Charges within UNC TPD Section S 1 4(a)(iii), aligning with the rules implemented under UNC Modification 0678A.

#### **Determinations**

Members voted unanimously that Modification 0744 is suitable to follow Self-Governance procedures.

Members voted unanimously that Modification 0744S is suitable for Fast Track Self-Governance.

Members voted unanimously to implement Modification 0744FT.

### 11 Recommendations

#### **Panel Determination**

Panel Members determined that Modification 0744FT should be implemented.