

**Action 0901:** National Grid (PL) to confirm, within stage 2 of a Gas Deficit Emergency (GDE) what the sequencing of the direction is, from the Network Emergency Coordinator NEC to direct supplies from storage compared to supplies from Interconnector input.

**Response:** Both Storage and Interconnectors would be directed / encouraged at the same stage as set out in the table below i.e. 'Directing Supplies into the NTS'. The equivalent arrangements for exit (demand) are shown for the purpose of completeness. 'GS(M)R' is the Gas Safety (Management) Regulations 1996. 'VLDMCs' are Very Large Daily Metered Customers.

Connection	NTS Entry (Supply) i.e. Interconnector Import and Storage Withdrawal		NTS Exit (Demand) i.e. Interconnector Export and Storage Injection	
	Instruction / Request from Primary Transporter	Timing	Instruction / Request from Primary Transporter	Timing
Interconnector	Can only be <b>encouraged</b> to maximise delivery to NTS during Stage 2 of a Network Gas Supply Emergency (as gas source is off the GS(M)R network)	As part of ' <b>Directing Supplies into the NTS</b> ' phase (albeit as noted there is no power to <i>direct</i> , only encourage)	Can be <b>directed</b> to cease export (offtake) from the NTS during Stage 2 of a Network Gas Supply Emergency	As part of the ' <b>Load Shedding</b> ' phase Classed as 'interconnectors', directed to cease offtake <i>before</i> VLDMCs
Storage	Can be <b>directed</b> to maximise delivery to NTS during Stage 2 of a Network Gas Supply Emergency	As part of ' <b>Directing Supplies into the NTS</b> ' phase	Can be <b>directed</b> to cease injection (offtake) from the NTS during Stage 2 of a Network Gas Supply Emergency	As part of the ' <b>Load Shedding</b> ' phase Classed as 'VLDMCs', directed to cease offtake <i>after</i> Interconnectors