

# **Measurement Error Report**

# **Stanton Energy Limited**

# MER\_CAD\_223\_22 Stanton BNEF

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#### **1** Revision Control

| Rev | Issue date | Description        | Prep. | App. |
|-----|------------|--------------------|-------|------|
| 1   | 31/03/2023 | Issued for comment | BK    | PE   |
| 1.1 | 04/04/2023 | Issued for comment | ТВ    | BK   |

## 2 Executive Summary

| Site Name                          | Stanton Energy BNEF                        |
|------------------------------------|--|
| DNO                                | Cadent Gas Limited                         |
| LDZ                                | East Midlands                              |
| Error Start Date                   | 21 <sup>st</sup> August 2022               |
| (Or) Last Good Date                |  |
| Error Corrected Date               | 19 <sup>th</sup> February 2023             |
| Size of Error (over or under read) | 450 Sm <sup>3</sup> under-read             |
|                                    | (following in-day corrections)             |
| Error Description                  | Erroneous fiscal USM flow readings and     |
|                                    | erroneous Gemini Data                      |
| Methodology                        | Comparison of inlet meter and fiscal meter |
|                                    | flow readings                              |
| Meter Type                         | Ultrasonic meter                           |
| MER Unique Reference Number        |  |
| Cadent Internal Reference          | MER/CAD/223/22                             |



# **3** Error Description

Stanton Energy BNEF has a single 2" Sick Flowsic500 ultrasonic meter stream for measurement of gas exiting the grid entry unit (GEU) and entering the distribution network (referred to in this report as 'Fiscal USM'). A second 2" Sick Flowsic500 ultrasonic meter is located on the inlet to the GEU for process control (referred to in this report as 'Inlet USM'). Propane injection is used to control the gas properties (e.g. calorific value, Wobbe number, etc.) to meet the requirements of the Gas Safety (Management) Regulations (GS(M)R). Gas that is not within specification is rejected by a diverter valve.

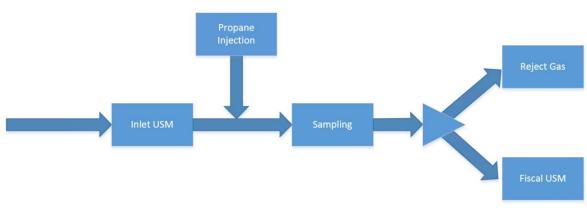


Figure 1 - Grid Entry Unit Flow Diagram

During normal operation the Fiscal USM will read slightly higher than the Inlet USM due to the addition of propane.

During the following dates, errors were noted:

- 21/08/2022 22/08/2022
- 15/09/2022
- 05/11/2022 06/11/2022
- 27/11/2022 30/11/2022
- 18/02/2023 19/02/2023

It is noted when comparing the calculated daily volume from this Measurement Error Report to the billed daily volumes retrieved from Cadent Energy Control Centre that a manual correction had already been completed for the days in error. This Null Report confirms that the manual correction already processed is accurate and no further reconciliation is required.

### 4 Methodology

Over the period of interest, the flowrates on the fiscal meter dropped dramatically indicating the meter system had gone into reject mode but was still recording a flow. *Note: The switch to reject mode is evident from the trends in pressure and temperature.* The error consisted of the fiscal meter reading high for a period. The calculated error is the sum of the Fiscal Meter total volume flow for the affected time period. This calculated error value was then subtracted from the calculated daily volume.



# 5 Error Quantification

The error for each period was corrected in the Gemini system on the day (or within D+5). The corrections made for all days are accurate with the exception of 21<sup>st</sup> August 2022. Following the submission of the correct data this report now reflects the corrections made for dates 28<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022 are also correct.

| Gas Day    | Daily Volumes (MSm <sup>3</sup> ) |           |         |  |
|------------|-----------------------------------|-----------|---------|--|
|            | Measured                          | Corrected | Gemini  |  |
| 21/08/2022 | 0.00881                           | 0.00836   | 0.00790 |  |
| 22/08/2022 | 0.00668                           | 0.00575   | 0.00571 |  |
| 15/09/2022 | 0.00311                           | 0.00295   | 0.00304 |  |
| 05/11/2022 | 0.00372                           | 0.00132   | 0.00131 |  |
| 06/11/2022 | 0.00057                           | 0.00032   | 0.00033 |  |
| 27/11/2022 | 0.00602                           | 0.00414   | 0.00392 |  |
| 28/11/2022 | 0.00290                           | 0.00000   | 0.00000 |  |
| 29/11/2022 | 0.00289                           | 0.00000   | 0.00000 |  |
| 30/11/2022 | 0.00686                           | 0.00628   | 0.00631 |  |
| 18/02/2023 | 0.00404                           | 0.00185   | 0.00181 |  |
| 19/02/2023 | 0.00560                           | 0.00523   | 0.00523 |  |

Figure 2 - Daily Volume Data Comparison

On 21<sup>st</sup> August the original volume recorded by the flow computer was 8,799 Sm<sup>3</sup>, which is similar to the recalculated value of 8,813 Sm<sup>3</sup>. The error occurred from 01:02 on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2022 for the remainder of the gas day and into gas day 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2022 until 13:17. The site was recording a flow of approximately 113 Sm<sup>3</sup>/h for this period.

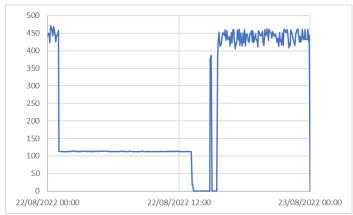


Figure 3 - Standard Volume Flow Rate 22nd August

The Gemini latest daily volume is 7,900 Sm<sup>3</sup>, however, the corrected daily volume should be 8,352 Sm<sup>3</sup>. Therefore, a daily correction factor of 1.057201 should be applied to the latest Gemini daily volume of 0.0079 MSm<sup>3</sup>.



| Gas Day   | Gemini Daily Volume<br>(MSCM) | Daily Correction Factor | Corrected Daily<br>Volume (MSCM) |
|-----------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 21-Aug-22 | 0.00790                       | 1.057081                | 0.00835                          |

## 6 Learning

It is suspected that contamination on the ultrasonic meter transducers originating from the propane injection system has caused the meter to read erroneously. Consideration should be given to continuous monitoring, recording and time/date stamping the diverter valve position in order to ascertain if the system was recirculating or flowing to the distribution network. This would result in easier analysis if mismeasurements were to occur again.

### 7 References

Gemini Daily Volumes; (R1.1 including re-issued data for 28 to 30 Nov 2022) MER\_CAD\_223\_22\_Data R1.1 calculation spreadsheet