

Stage 01: Modification Proposal

iGT082: *(iGT UNC Representative to insert number)*

iGT Single Service Provision, non-effective Days for cutover in 2016

This modification creates seven non-effective Days from 24th September 2016 to 30th September 2016 inclusive, to enable data preparation and cutover to the arrangements created by modification 039 - Use of a single Gas Transporter agency for the common services and systems and processes required by the iGT UNC. The proposal seeks to replace IGT072 which originally anticipated modification 039 being implemented on October 1st 2015.

The Proposer recommends that this modification should be (delete as appropriate):



- assessed by a workgroup
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High Impact:
Shippers and suppliers



Medium Impact:
iGTs, gas consumers



Low Impact:
Insert name(s) of impact

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About this document:

This modification will be presented by the proposer to the panel on xx xxx 20xx.

The panel will consider the proposer's recommendation, and agree whether this modification should be subject to self-governance; and whether it should be issued for consultation or be referred to a workgroup for assessment.

Guidance on the use of this Template:

This is an iGT UNC Modification Proposal template that the Proposer is asked to complete. All parts other than the Solution (which is "owned" by the Proposer) will be refined by the workgroup process. A separate checklist is also available to help identify impacts that, if material, should be recorded in this template.

The iGT UNC Representative is available to help and support the drafting of any Modification Proposals, including guidance on completion of this template and the wider modification process. Contact igt-unc@gemserv.co.uk or 0207 090 1044.



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1. Plain English Summary

The following **summary** should be completed in **plain English**, and should be as **brief** as possible. A more detailed exposition should be provided in the following sections.

Is this a Self-Governance Modification?

For the non-effective period created by this modification there will be a material impact on commercial activities connected with the shipping and transportation of gas and it is therefore considered not to meet the Self-Governance criteria (bb) detailed below.

Self-Governance criteria

The modification:

(i) is unlikely to have a material effect on:

(aa) existing or future gas consumers; and

(bb) competition in the shipping, transportation or supply of gas conveyed through pipes or any commercial activities connected with the shipping, transportation or supply of gas conveyed through pipes; and

(cc) the operation of one or more pipe-line system(s); and

(dd) matters relating to sustainable development, safety or security of supply, or the management of market or network emergencies; and

(ee) the uniform network code governance procedures or the network code modification procedures; and

(ii) is unlikely to discriminate between different classes of parties to the uniform network code/relevant gas transporters, gas shippers or DN operators.

If so, will this be progressed as a Fast Track Modification?

This modification does not meet the Self-Governance procedures as a result it is not a Fast Track Modification.

Rationale for Change

Concisely explain why the change is proposed i.e. the defect in the code that is to be addressed.

To cutover to the iGT agency services model created by modification 039 - Use of a single Gas Transporter agency for the common services and systems and processes required by the iGT UNC, a period of time is required to prepare and migrate data. This requires a number of non-effective days during which files to update and maintain the Supply Point Register and for supply point administration activities cannot be submitted. Originally IGT072 sought to implement a period of 6 non-effective days to support the transition to iGT agency services on 1st October 2015. The subsequent deferral of Project NEXUS under UNC 548 modification now means that the IGT072 arrangements as originally approved by Ofgem are no longer compatible with the revised Project NEXUS implementation date of 1st October 2016 with such date falling on a Saturday as opposed to a Thursday in 2015. An extra non-working day is required under IGT082 to ensure that Saturday 24th September 2016 is treated as a non-effective day which would otherwise require IGTs and Shippers to operate their "business as usual" systems processes on a Saturday which instead will be used for the data transfer processes to Xoserve as the IGT Single Service Provider. IGT082 also ensures consistency in the timeframes set out under UNC modification 0532 for the implementation of Project NEXUS on the GDN networks.

Solution

Concisely explain the modification that is proposed to address the identified defect.

The solution is to create seven days as Non-Effective Days (see definition later) as days on which certain transactions may not be made. The seven days are September 24th 2016 to September 30th 2016.

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Relevant Objectives

Concisely state the impact the modification will have on the relevant objectives. Indicate an estimate of likely implementation costs (if known).

This modification supports Objective C Efficient discharge of the licensee's obligations, in that it will create the arrangements to implement modification 039.

It is expected that this modification will also support Objective F; the promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the network code as it will overwrite the requirements of the deferred IGT072 modification, the requirements of which are no longer fit for purpose.

There are no implementation costs to Gas Transporters, it is expected that Shippers will incur costs of managing processes differently for the non-effective period.

Implementation

It is not anticipated that this modification will introduce additional implementation costs compared to those under IGT072.

This modification should mirror the implementation approach outlined in the equivalent UNC0532 modification to ensure Shippers are aware of the impacts across both IGT and GDN networks as soon as possible. It is therefore proposed that IGT082 is implemented on April 1st 2016 as a special release of the IGT UNC. For clarification, this earlier than standard implementation does not bring forwards the impact of the modification, but gives additional formal notice of the requirements for non-effective days.

2. Rationale for Change

Set out in plain English why the modification of the code is proposed – i.e. what is the defect in the existing code that has been identified and needs to be rectified. This may be either an issue with an existing code provision or an issue on which the iGT UNC is silent but should not be.

To cutover to the iGT agency services model created by modification 039 - Use of a single Gas Transporter agency for the common services and systems and processes required by the iGT UNC, a period of time is required to prepare and migrate data. This requires a number of non-effective days during which files to update and maintain the Supply Point Register and for supply point administration activities cannot be submitted.

iGT modification 039 and Large Transporter modification 0440 Project Nexus iGT Single Service Provision, create the arrangements for a single system to administer independent Gas Transporter (iGT) and Large Transporter supply points, providing a single interface for Shippers regardless of gas transporter type. Xoserve (as the iGT agency role) will migrate each iGT Supply Point Register to UK Link and will implement associated file formats to enable Shippers to transact through Xoserve to each iGT Supply Point Register. The scope of the iGT Agency role is set out in modification 039 and it not covered here.

In order to migrate each iGT Supply Point Register to UK Link there has to come a point in time at which no further revisions to the Supply Point Register can be made. Time then needs to be allowed for iGTs to submit final data to Xoserve. Xoserve then require a certain amount of time to process the final data from iGTs, to prepare the data for migration to the UK Link formats and then to migrate the data and test that migration has been successful. This period is in total, seven days.

Modification 039 and 0440 are implemented on 1st October 2016. From this point onwards Shippers will be transact through Xoserve for supply point register and supply point administration activities.

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3. Solution

*Set out in detail the iGT UNC changes that are proposed – **what**, not why. This section is "owned" by the proposer and will not be altered by the workgroup and so should set out the change you, as proposer, wish to see made – which you can amend later to take into account issues raised by a workgroup. This is also the section that will be used to draft the legal text that changes the iGT UNC. It should therefore be in sufficient detail to act as legal instructions and support the drafting of text. In general, the provision of business rules is recommended.*

The solution is to create seven Non-Effective Days, the 24,25,26,27,28,29 and 30 September 2016.

For the purposes of this modification a Non-Effective Day is a day on which Code Communications and Conventional Notice are not permitted for the following sections of the iGT UNC:

C I sections:

- 2.7
- 5.4 [note, please double check this and its implications, it is the Supply Point Systems Business Day definition]
- 8.1
- 8.2
- 8.4
- 8.5
- 9.5
- 10 (all sections)
- 11 (all sections)
- 12 (all sections)
- 13 (all sections)
- 14 (all sections)
- 15.1
- 15.2
- 15.3
- 15.4
- 15.5
- 15.6
- 15.8
- 15.9
- 16.2
- 17 (all sections)
- 19 (all sections)

C II sections

- 1.2
- 1.5
- 1.6
- 1.7
- 3.2
- 5.3
- 5.4
- 6.5

C IV

- 1 (all sections)
- 2.4.2
- 3 (all sections)
- 5 (all sections)

CV

- 2.5
- 2.7
- 2.8

D

- 5.1
- 7 (all sections)

E

- 2 (all sections)
- 3 (all sections)
- 4 (all sections)
- 6 (all sections)
- 7 (all sections)
- 8 (all sections)

Note, the intention of this modification is to not permit communications on the seven Non-Effective Days. A supply point confirmation may still be effective on any of these seven] Non-Effective Days.

A chart in appendix 1 aims to illustrate the requirements.

4. 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 (i) the combined pipe-line system, and/ or (ii) the pipe-line system of one or more other relevant gas transporters.	None
c) Efficient discharge of the licensee's obligations.	Positive
d) Securing of effective competition: (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 shippers.	None

e) Provision of reasonable economic incentives for relevant suppliers to secure that the domestic customer supply security standards... are satisfied as respects the availability of gas to their domestic customers.	None
f) Promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the Code.	Positive
g) Compliance with the Regulation and any relevant legally binding decisions of the European Commission and/or the Agency for the Co-operation of Energy Regulators.	None

The following paragraphs should explain in detail and plain English **how** each of the impacts identified above would arise and **how** this impacts the relevant objective identified.

The Workgroup consider that this Modification would facilitate:

Insert subheading here (i.e. 'Objective f')

Objective C

This modification facilitates the implementation of modification 039.

Objective F

This modification will overwrite the requirements of the deferred IGT072 modification, the requirements of which are no longer fit for purpose.

5. Impacts and Costs

This section should list the industry impacts and costs associated with the implementation of this Modification, as identified by the Workgroup. Potential areas impacted include Transporter and Shipper systems and processes, Code Administration and impact on the Code itself. Further guidance on completing this section is available in the Modification Checklist.

There are no costs to the Gas Transporters as a result of this modification.

There are impacts for Shippers in that they will have to change processes to avoid sending files to Gas Transporters.

6. Likely Impact on Consumers

The minimum change of supplier timescales created by modification 059 will be longer by a maximum of seven days as a result of this modification.

7. Likely Impact on Environment

Please detail any anticipated impacts of the proposed Modification on the environment (e.g. increased carbon emissions).

None

8. Implementation

Provide any views you have on the anticipated impact of the proposed Modification on all parties (such as Transporters, Shippers, central systems, customers) in terms of the costs and benefits of a range of implementation options where appropriate.

If a suggested implementation date is not provided and the decision is to accept the modification, then the Transporters will set the implementation date.

This modification can be implemented immediately following Ofgem approval.

9. Legal Text

While the Proposer is welcome to put forward suggested legal text, text will be provided by the Transporters when requested by the Modification Panel.

For clarity, the legal text of IGT082 will overwrite the legal text of IGT072.

Sub section introductory text:

The following provisions of Part [CI] are subject to the Non-Effective Day requirements as set out in Part N.

- To be included at beginning of CI, CII, CIV, CV, D, E, I.

Part N

- 1.1. In order to enable changes to be performed in respect of iGT Agency Services as set out in IGT039 Use of a Single Gas Transporter Agency for the common services and systems and processes required by the IGT UNC (directed by the Authority on the 11/03/2015) and UNC modification UNCO440 Project Nexus – iGT Single Service Provision (directed by the Authority on the 14th January 2015) , there will be a period of Non-Effective Days during which no updates to the Supply Point Register can be made by the Pipeline Operator. The requirements for Non-Effective Days are set out in the [IGT082 supporting report](#).
- 1.2. For the purposes of paragraph 1.1 a “**Non-Effective Day**” shall be any of the following Days, PNID-7 up to and including PNID-1.
- 1.3. For the avoidance of doubt, a Proposed Supply Point Registration Date may be a Non-Effective Day.
- 1.4. Subject to paragraph 1.6 any communication as set out under paragraph 1.7 may not be submitted on any Non-Effective Day.
- 1.5. Any of the communications listed in paragraph 1.7 which are sent by a Pipeline User to a Pipeline Operator on PNID-8 must be received by the Pipeline Operator before 17:00 hours on PNID-8.
- 1.6. Where the Pipeline Operator receives any communications as set out in paragraph 1.7 on either PNID-8 or PNID-9, it must send any communications to a Pipeline User as required under the Code at the latest on PNID-7.
- 1.7. For the purposes of this Part N, the communications which cannot be sent on a Non-Effective Day are as follows:
 - 1.7.1. Agreed Opening Meter Reading;
 - 1.7.2. C&D Information;
 - 1.7.3. C&D Notification;
 - 1.7.4. Capacity Revision Application;
 - 1.7.5. Daily Meter Readings;
 - 1.7.6. Emergency Contacts
 - 1.7.7. Meter Fix Reading;
 - 1.7.8. Meter Fit Report;
 - 1.7.9. Meter Information Notification;
 - 1.7.10. Meter Information Update Notification;

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- 1.7.11. Meter Read;
- 1.7.12. Opening Meter Reading;
- 1.7.13. Proposing User's Estimate;
- 1.7.14. Proposing User Read;
- 1.7.15. Revised Meter Reading.
- 1.7.16. Supply Point Confirmation;
- 1.7.17. Supply Point Confirmation Cancellation;
- 1.7.18. Supply Point First Nomination;
- 1.7.19. Supply Point Nomination;
- 1.7.20. Supply Point Objection;
- 1.7.21. Supply Point Offer;
- 1.7.22. Supply Point Reconfirmation;
- 1.7.23. Supply Point Registration;
- 1.7.24. Supply Point Registration Date;
- 1.7.25. Supply Point Registration Number;
- 1.7.26. Supply Point Renomination;
- 1.7.27. Supply Point Second Nomination;
- 1.7.28. Supply Point Withdrawal.
- 1.7.29. Threshold Rate Increase

1.8 For the purposes of paragraph 1.7, a Bulk Confirmation can be sent on a Non-Effective Day.

1.9 To facilitate the provisions of this Part N, the Pipeline Operator shall provide a Portfolio Extract to each Pipeline User by 17:00 on PNID-6 with details of Supply Meter Points processed on PNID-7. The Portfolio Extract shall be issued in either comma separated value or Microsoft Excel spreadsheet format.

Definitions

CI 5.6

In this Parts C and Parts D and E any reference to a "Supply Point Systems Business Day" is a reference to a Day other than a **Non-Effective Day** or a Saturday, Sunday or a bank holiday in England or Wales.

New Definitions in Part M:

"Project Nexus Implementation Date ('PNID')" is 1 October 2016 or such other date as may be determined by the Uniform Network Code Committee;

"Non-Effective Day" shall have the meaning in Part N1.2;

10. Recommendation

If it is recommended that the modification is issued directly to consultation, the Proposer should provide a justification. If workgroup assessment is recommended, the proposer may outline a recommended timetable and indicate any particular areas that a workgroup is asked to consider.

The Proposer invites the Panel to:

- Determine that this modification should progress to Workgroup assessment.

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