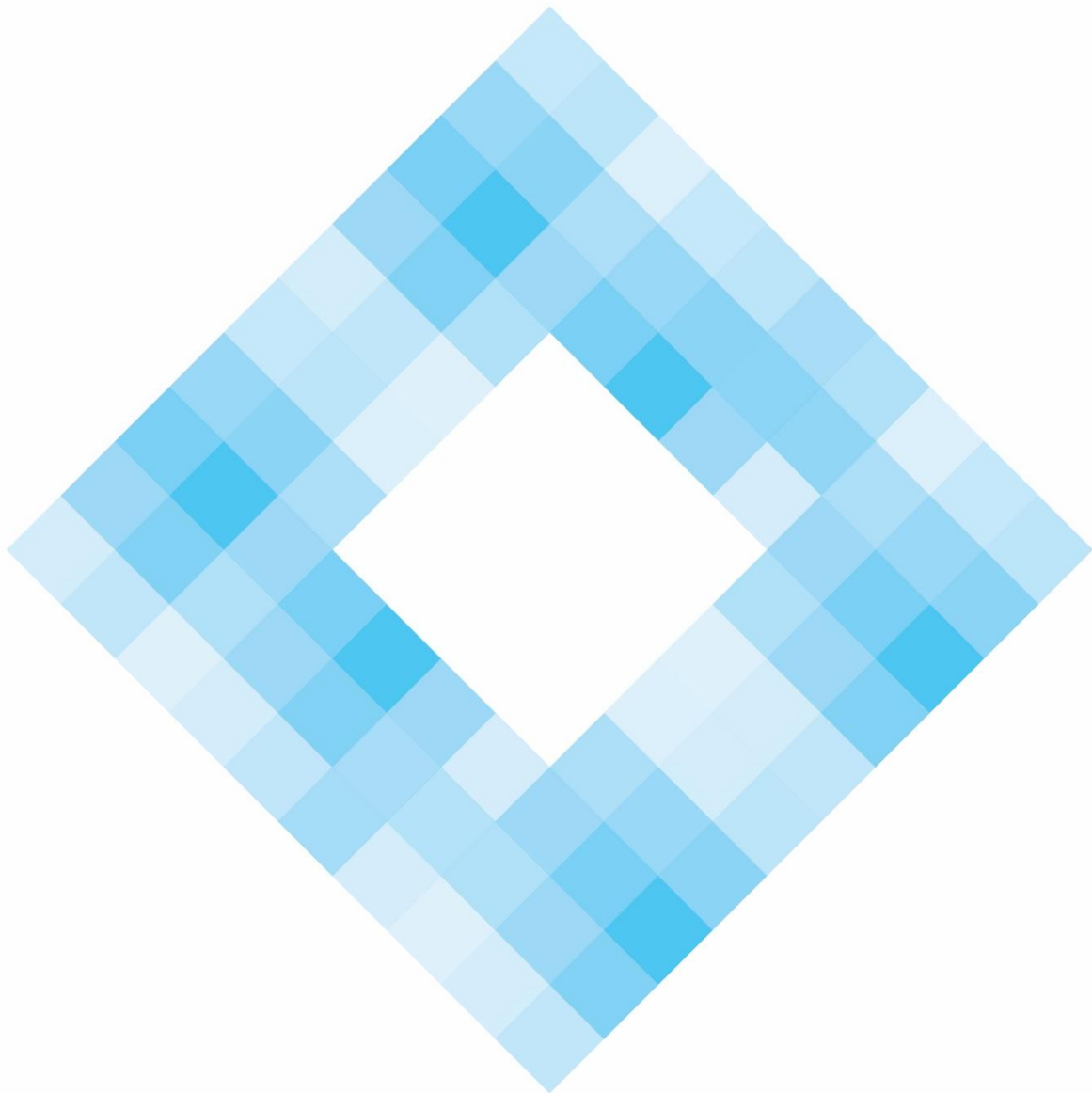


IGT112 - Refinements to the RPC Template

Briefing Paper for the Technical Working Group

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Background

MODIFICATION BACKGROUND

The current RPC template has some ambiguous descriptions which is resulting in Pipeline Operators interpreting, and therefore completing fields differently. Modification IGT112 is seeking to address these issues by adding clarity to the RPC Invoice Template Document.

Why

The purpose of the RPC Invoice Template Document is to ensure a common approach to invoice backing data production is followed, the ambiguous business rules has resulted in multiple approaches being followed and manual work arounds being deployed by E.ONs finance team. We suspect other Shippers are completing similar offline workarounds to load and validate the RPC data.

How

To ensure a consistent and robust approach to invoice backing data production is taken, additional clarity and business rules are to be added to the RPC invoice Template Document.

The IGT UNC workgroup agrees that the current RPC ancillary document can be in parts be ambiguous and lacking in clarity. The purpose of IGT UNC Modification IGT112 is to create a clear and robust ancillary document.

Scope & composition of Technical subgroup

SKILL SET NEEDED FOR TECHNICAL SUBGROUP MEMBERS

- ◆ Existing knowledge of the RPC data items
- ◆ Understanding of gas file formats for the IGT UNC and UK Link
- ◆ Technical delegated authority to assist development within the working group not post



SCOPE OF THE TECHNICAL SUBGROUP

To review the proposed amendments to assess if they ‘will work’ from a technical point of view. This group has not been established to challenge the propose of the proposal, but instead to ensure that (if approved) the solution would work from a technical perspective.

The group is to review the RPC backing data format draft and assess if the proposed drafting is fit for purpose and to recommend ways to resolve the current ambiguities.

The ambition of the review is to conclude it within one technical review session. It is therefore a requirement of the attendee to have reviewed the scope ahead of the session.

Attached to this briefing paper is the current ancillary document draft with two additional columns to the modification proposed drafting:

Column 1 – Questions for the technical group to consider in their review prior to the meeting

Column 2 – Capture responses, comments, or concerns as part of the technical review meeting

Throughout the document there are question notes raised by the proposer and the responses will be recorded within the comment boxes.

The proposer both encourages and welcomes parties input on this change and will endeavour to include amendments to support modification IGT112, but the scope remains ring-fenced to RPC invoicing and the RPC backing data ancillary document only. If the issue does not relate to this topic it is not deemed in scope and may not be discussed.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

If parties highlight issues with the proposed drafting or identify any issues in addition to those the proposer wishes to address these are encouraged to be submitted to the IGT UNC and to the proposer at least 5 WD before the Technical Working Group meeting. Issues brought to the meeting maybe discussed but it will be at the discretion of the proposer if they are incorporated or not.

PROPOSED TIMETABLE

Progression Plan	Proposed Date
Issue Technical Workgroup briefing paper and draft ancillary document	14 th /15 th August
Deadline for the return of any drafting issues or any related additional issues	5 th /6 th September
Hold session to discuss comments on the proposed changes to the RPC Invoice Template	19 th /20 th September
Produce a report from the Technical Workgroup	21 st September
Review the above report at the IGT UNC Workgroup for IGT112	2 nd October