

DRAFT LEGAL TEXT CHANGES FOR IGT177 (as of 21st May 2025)

Further information on *IGT177 - Aligning IGT “must read” obligations within the IGT UNC* can be found on the [IGT177 webpage](#).

DRAFTING KEY

Black: Existing IGT UNC provisions

Red: Draft legal text changes for IGT177

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO IGT UNC PART E – METER READING

11. Failure to obtain readings

~~11.1.1 Subject to clauses 11.1.5 and 11.1.6, clause 11.1.2 shall apply in relation to a Class 2, 3 or 4 Supply Meter where, at the end of any calendar month, a Valid Meter Reading has not been submitted with a Read Date within:~~

~~(a) except as provided in clause (b), the preceding 4 months;~~

~~(b) in the case of a Class 4 Annual Read Supply Meter, the preceding 24 months.~~

~~11.1.2 Where this clause 11.1.2 applies in relation to a Supply Meter the CDSP will notify the Pipeline Operator and the: For the purpose of this Clause 11, the provisions of paragraph 5.10 of Section M of the UNC shall apply with the following changes: paragraphs 5.10.2 (a) and (b) shall be replaced by the following:~~

(a) the Pipeline Operator will, unless it appears to the Pipeline Operator (in its sole discretion) that the circumstances are such that it would be inappropriate to do so, use reasonable endeavours to obtain a Meter Reading from such Meter;

(b) the Pipeline User shall irrespective of whether the Pipeline User remains the Registered User pay to the Pipeline Operator, by way of reimbursement of its costs, an amount equal to the amount provided for such purpose under the prevailing prices published by the Pipeline Operator together with any costs (including costs of a warrant) incurred by the Pipeline Operator for the purposes of gaining entry to the Supply Point Premises.

~~11.1.3 The Pipeline Operator will not initiate a Meter Read pursuant to clause 11.1.1 for a Read Date earlier than: paragraph 5.10.3 (a) and (b) shall be replaced by the following:~~

(a) the 10th Supply Point Systems Business Day of the calendar month (the “following month”) following the month referred to in that paragraph;

(b) the 80th Supply Point Systems Business Day following the date upon which the Transporter has notified the User in accordance with UNC TPD Section M, paragraph 4.2.12 of incorrect Meter information in respect of such Monthly Read Meter or (as the case may be) Annual Read Meter;

(c) the 80th Supply Point System Business Day following the Supply Point Registration Date following the appointment of a Supplier of Last Resort for a Supply Point; or

(d) the 80th Supply Point System Business Day following the Supply Point Registration Date for a Change of Shipper Request.

the reference to paragraph 4.2.12 of TPD Section M of the UNC in ~~paragraph clause 115.10.3 (b)~~ above shall be interpreted as a reference to paragraph 4.2.12 of Section M of the UNC as incorporated into this Part E by Clause 2.1

~~paragraph 5.10.7 shall not apply~~

11.1.4 Where the Pipeline Operator has initiated a Meter Read pursuant to clause 11.1.2, and (before such Meter Read takes place) the Pipeline User subsequently submits a Valid Meter Reading in respect of the relevant Supply Meter, the Pipeline User will endeavour to cancel the Meter Read, but the Pipeline User will be liable to make payment pursuant to clause 11.1.2 (b) irrespective of whether such Meter Read is so cancelled.

11.1.5 Where not less than 10 Supply Point Systems Business Days before the beginning of the following month the Pipeline User has submitted a Meter Information Notification in respect of the relevant Supply Meter, clause 11.1.1 shall not apply until the expiry of a period of 10 Supply Point Systems Business Days after the Meter Information Notification ceases to be outstanding.

11.1.6 If:

(a) before the Pipeline Operator has initiated a Meter Read pursuant to clause 11.1.1, the Pipeline User notifies the Pipeline Operator (by Conventional Notice) that the Pipeline User is taking steps to obtain a Meter Reading in respect of the relevant Supply Meter, specifying the expected date of the Meter Read;

(b) not later than the 10th Supply Point Systems Business Day of the following month the Pipeline User provides to the Pipeline Operator a copy of a warrant (granted under the Rights of Entry (Gas and Electricity Boards) Act 1954, as amended) authorising entry to the relevant premises, or a copy of an application for such a warrant, or demonstrates to the Pipeline Operators reasonable satisfaction that a Meter Reading can be obtained without such a warrant; and

(c) a Valid Meter Reading is submitted to the Pipeline Operator in respect of the relevant Supply Meter not later than the 20th Supply Point Systems Business Day after the start of the following month then clause 11.1.1 shall not apply.

11.1.7 Where a Pipeline User materially or persistently fails to comply with the requirement in clauses 5.9.7(b) or 5.9.9 – 5.9.12 of TPD Section M of the UNC, the CDSP shall notify the Pipeline User and the Pipeline Operator, and the Pipeline Operator may require the Pipeline User:

(a) to submit to the Pipeline Operator an explanation for the Pipeline Users failure to comply together with a proposal to remedy such non-compliance;

(b) to implement the Pipeline Users proposal under clause (a) as modified after discussion with the Pipeline Operator

(c) if and for so long as the Pipeline User fails to comply with clauses (a) and (b), to agree to a scheme under which the Pipeline Operator will (at the Pipeline Users expense on the same basis as under clause 11.1.2 (b) obtain sufficient Meter Readings from time to time each month to remedy the Pipeline Users failure to comply with paragraph 5.9.7 (b) or 5.9.9 – 5.9.12 of TPD Section M of the UNC.

the references to paragraphs 5.9.7(b) and 5.9.9, 5.9.10, 5.9.11, 5.9.12 of Section M of the UNC in paragraph 5.10.8 shall be interpreted as references to paragraphs 5.9.7(b) and 5.9.9, 5.9.10, 5.9.11, 5.9.12 as incorporated into this Part E by Clause 10.1.

11.2 Where a Pipeline Operator has submitted a Meter Read to the CDSP obtained in accordance with ~~clause 11.1.2 (a) paragraph 5.10.2 (a) of Section M of the UNC~~ and the Read Date is more than 25 Supply Point System Business Days before the date of submission to the CDSP then the Pipeline User shall not be required to pay a charge in accordance with ~~clause 11.1.2 (b). paragraph 5.10.2 (b) of Section M of the UNC.~~

11.3 Where ~~clause 11.1.2 paragraph 5.10.2 of Section M of the UNC~~ applies in relation to a Supply Meter and the Supply Meter also meets one or more of the following criteria

- (a) The Supply Meter is a Smart Meter;
- (b) The Supply Meter is capable of being read remotely; and/or
- (c) The Supply Meter has an indicator provided by the DCC showing the Supply Meter is capable of being read remotely.

then the Pipeline Operator shall not obtain a meter reading from such meter and the Pipeline User shall not be required to pay a charge as otherwise required.

11.4 Where ~~clause 11.1.2 paragraph 5.10.2 of Section M of the UNC~~ applies in relation to a Supply Meter and the Supply Meter also has a known meter issue which has been notified to the CDSP by either the Pipeline Operator or Pipeline User that prevents a Valid Meter Reading from being obtained then the Pipeline Operator shall not obtain a meter reading from such meter and the Pipeline User shall not be required to pay a charge as otherwise required.

11.5 Where the Pipeline Operator has notified the CDSP of a known meter issue the CDSP shall notify the relevant Pipeline User of said known meter issue.

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11.7 The CDSP shall provide information to the Performance Assurance Committee to enable the Performance Assurance Committee to maintain oversight over the Supply Meters that are excluded from the provisions ~~clause 11.1.1 of paragraph 5.10 of Section M of the UNC and~~ the Supply Meters whose inclusion in the provisions of ~~clause 11.1.1 paragraph 5.10 of Section M of the UNC~~ is delayed for a period of up to 80 Supply Point Business Days.