

System Management Principles Statement Annual Consultation by National Grid Gas (NTS)

February 2011

Summary

The annual consultation is being carried out in accordance with the National Grid Gas (NTS) Gas Transporter (GT) Licence - Special Condition C5 paragraph 8(a). The consultation period will be for 28 days.

This document contains the timescales for the consultation and the background to the consultation.

Further to this consultation, National Grid Gas (NTS) will produce a report and submit it to the Authority in accordance with its GT Licence Special Condition C5 paragraph 8(b).

Consultation timescales

National Grid Gas (NTS) issues consultation:	31 st January 2011
Closing date for responses:	28 th February 2011
National Grid NTS submits report to the Authority:	7 th March 2010

Background

National Grid Gas (NTS) prepares a SMP Statement in accordance with Special Condition C5 (5) of its GT Licence.

The original version (1.0) of the SMP Statement was approved by the Authority and became effective on 2nd October 2002.

Version 2.6 is the current version of the SMP Statement and is available at: <http://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Gas/OperationalInfo/operationaldocuments/ProcurementSystemManagementServicesStatementsReports/> under "Operational Documents", "Documents Required by Special Condition C5 of National Grid's NTS Licence".

Detailed Changes to the SMP Statement

We do not propose to make any material changes to the current version of the SMPS (2.6) but we have introduced wording to reflect UNC changes introduced by recent UNC Modifications and, where possible, add further clarity. A change marked draft version of this document which includes the proposed amendments for 1st April 2011 can also be found via the link above for review.

Views Sought

National Grid Gas (NTS) would welcome your views on this consultation.

Please ensure that any responses to this consultation are received by 12:00 on Monday 28th February 2011.

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