

Gas Operational Forum

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Introduction & Agenda

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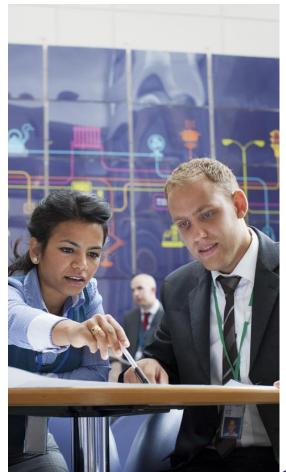
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Carbon Capture & Storage Association (CCSA)

Luke Warren - Chief Executive

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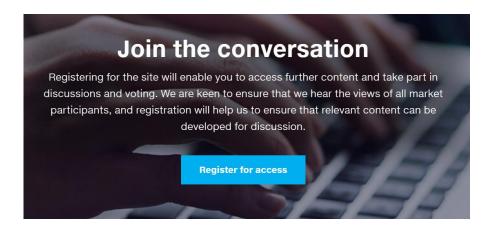


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Gas Ops Forums

Throughout the year, we hold regular Operational forum meetings. This forum aims to provide visibility and awareness for our customers and stakeholders to help understand and discuss the operation and performance of the National Transmission System (NTS). We also proactively invite any suggestions for operational topics that would promote discussion and awareness.

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Agenda for Today

01	Welcome and Introduction			
02	Operational Overview			
03	Guest Presentation Carbon Capture & Storage Association			
04	Gemini: Recent system issues October Charging Arrangements System Enhancements project Prevention and process around capacity booking issues			
05	Emergency Exercise Baltic			
06	Updates			

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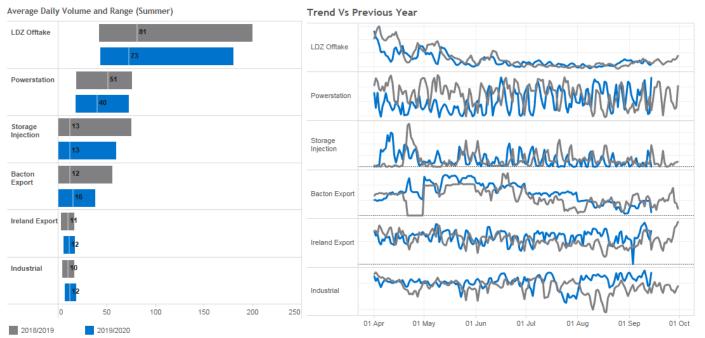
Operational Overview

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NTS Demand



LDZ Demand has remained consistent over the summer, in a very similar range to last year

Powerstation demand increased to similar levels of last year by mid-June

Exports through both interconnectors at Bacton

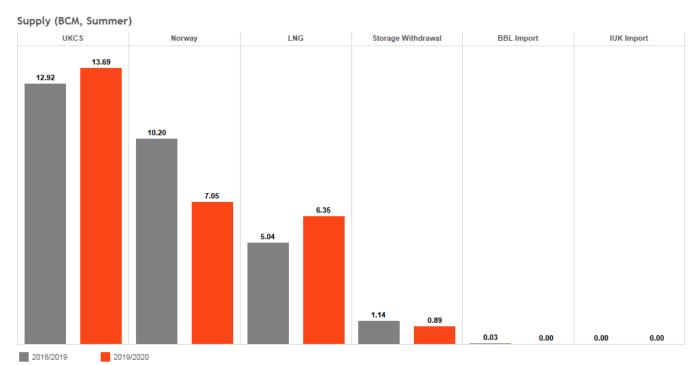
NTS Supply



UKCS consistent for the majority of the summer, with some maintenance late Aug/early Sep

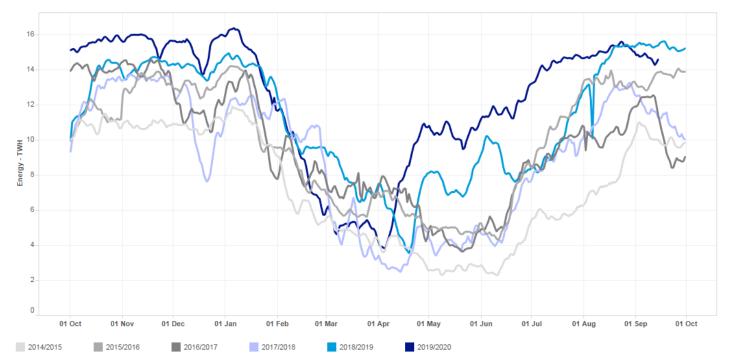
LNG Delivery has continued throughout the summer

Supply – Yearly Comparison



With a lot of summer maintenance postponed or cancelled this year, UKCS has remained at a higher average rate

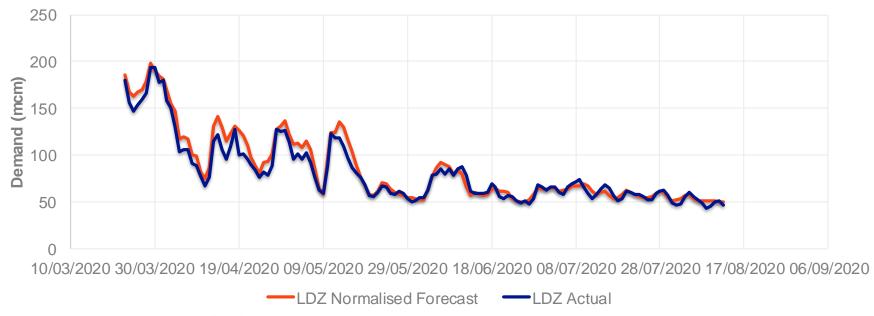
Storage Stocks



Storage stocks are near maximum ahead of the winter season

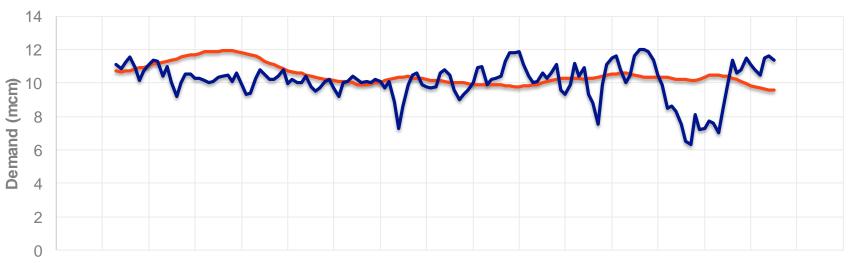
Demand Update: LDZ

Following lockdown LDZ demand was lower than expected based on CWV From mid may onwards demand has been in line with expected



Demand Update: NTS Industrial

NTS Industrial demand has fluctuated but largely in line with expected recently

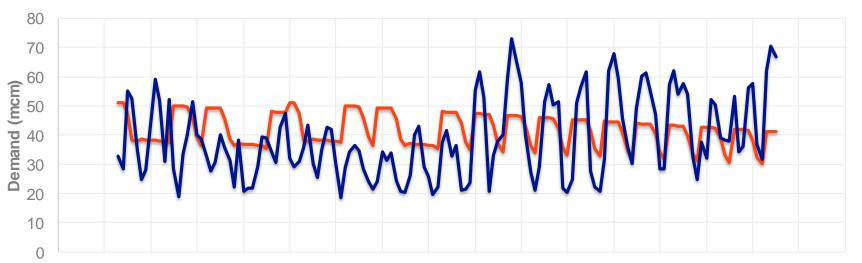


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Industrial Forecast — Industrial Actual

Demand Update: NTS Power Station

Lower PS Demand earlier in the summer increased from June onwards

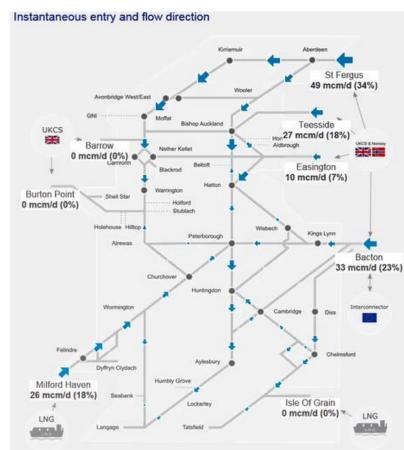


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Low Compression Requirements

Removing the testing hours from compressors, there were 11 consecutive days of no compression for operation of the NTS between the 7th and 18th August

Other means such as the use of flow control valves can control stock whilst keeping cost and emissions down



Winter Outlook

We are currently in the process of modelling the impact the current lockdown controls are having on demand; both now and with a view towards the coming winter.

This will be published as part of our Winter Outlook publication on 15 October. The report will be presented to Government this month ahead of its public release in October.

Winter Outlook key findings will be covered in more detail at the October Operational Forum









Briefing on Carbon Capture Usage and Storage

Luke Warren Carbon Capture and Storage Association



What is CCUS?



- ➤ **Capture** CO₂ from power plants, industrial sites, hydrogen production, negative emissions.
- > **Transport** CO₂ via pipeline or ship
- ➤ Store CO₂ in deep geological formations, e.g. depleted oil & gas fields or deep saline formations.
- ➤ **Use** CO₂ in products, albeit for more limited climate benefit.

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CCS projects around the world

- > 23 projects around the world in operation or construction
- ➤ Storing ~40 MtCO₂ p.a.
- ➤ Capturing CO₂ from nine industrial sectors
- ➤ Sleipner, Norway safely storing ~1 MtCO₂ p.a. since 1996
- > Future challenges largely commercial

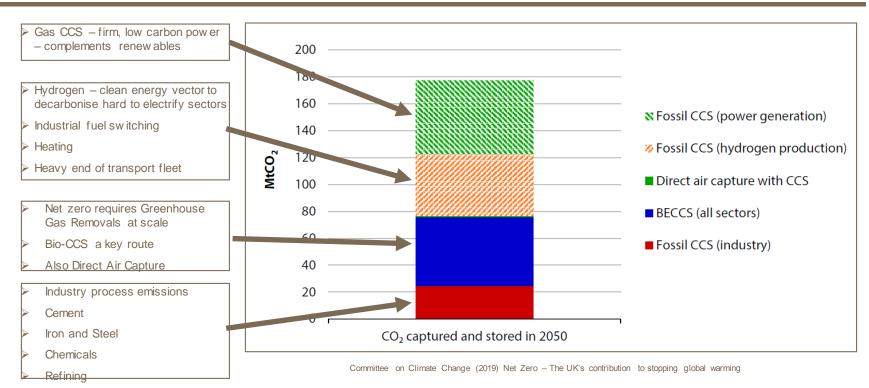




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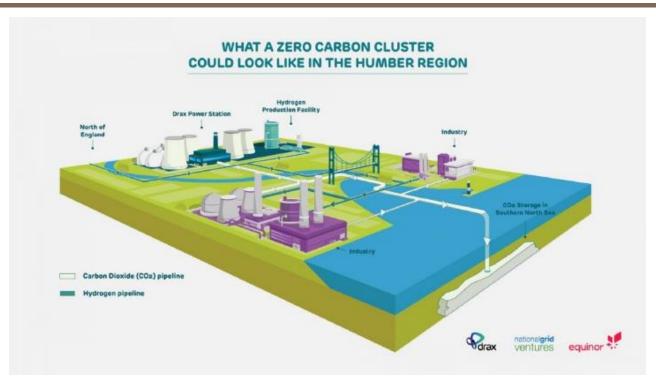
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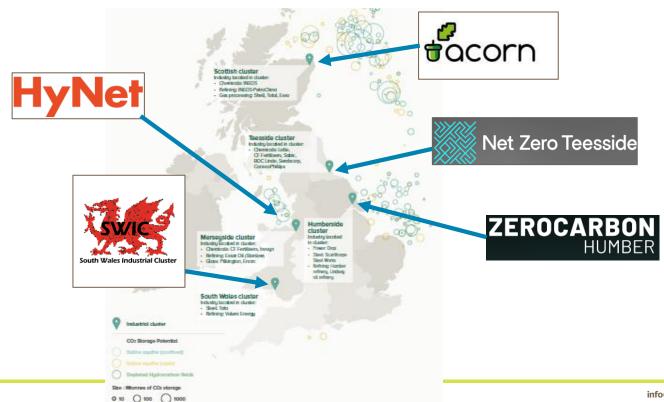
Focus on regional CCUS clusters



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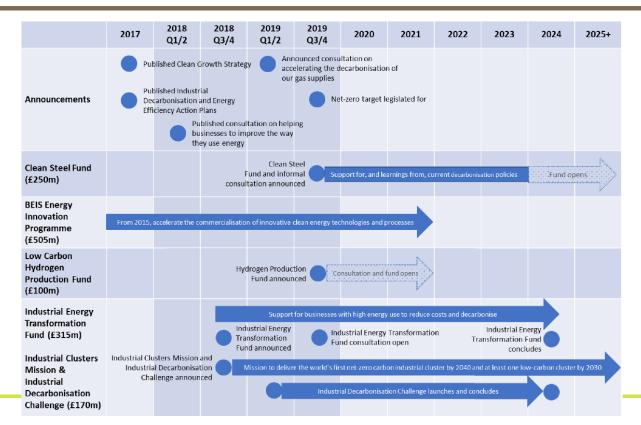


CCUS clusters operating from mid-2020s





Potential funding for CCUS





CCUS business models



CARBON CAPTURE, USAGE AND STORAGE

A Government Response on potential business models for Carbon Capture, Usage and Storage

August 2020

Government's 'minded to' position on supporting early CCUS investment

- > "at least" £800 mn CCUS Infrastructure Fund
- Power: 'Dispatchable CfD' support flexible operation of plant
- ➤ Industry: Industrial CfD & possible capital support
- CO₂ transport and storage infrastructure: Regulated network with independent economic and market regulators
- > Hydrogen: Further work required



Delivering CCUS at scale

- Further detail on commercial frameworks for industry, CO₂ T&S networks and power by end 2020
- > Update on potential business models to deploy low carbon hydrogen by the end of 2020
- > First projects enter FEED studies end 2020 / early 2021
- > Finalise business models within next two years, in line with expected FIDs for projects
- > First CCUS clusters operational from mid-2020s
- ➤ Committee on Climate Change recommend that UK should be storing at least 10 MtCO₂ p.a. by 2030

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Gemini System Issues

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Recent Gemini Issues - Executive Summary

- During July and August, the Gemini service to customers has been impacted by 8 issues that have either prevented or degraded performance of the system for customers
- Contingency processes were able to mitigate impact for some, but not all incidents
- These issues have been a mixture of changes related to our Gemini Re-platform into a new Data Centre, technology failures of legacy devices, and operational process issues and are not related (i.e. there is no underlying single root cause to all issues)
- Immediately post Gemini re-platform, Xoserve created a dedicated SWOT & Problem Management team created to ensure full root cause investigation and resolution
- Full root cause is known and understood for 7 of the 8 incidents, with the final RCA for the last issue on track to close investigations by the 18th of September
- The enduring root cause fix has been implemented for 7 of 8 incidents, the timescale to implement the final RCA will be established once investigations conclude on the 18th.

Gemini Issue Summary

				Current Status			
Date	Issue	Impact to Customers	Service Restored	Risk Mitigated	RCAKnown	Enduring Fix in place	
05/07	Citrix Access & functionality issues (INC1153333)	46 Tickets across 27 Shipper organisations were raised that were unable to access Gemini via Citrix. This impacted their ability to perform their normal activities (i.e. Nominations) and GNCC were contacted to place the nominations.		Υ	Y	08/07	
06/07	File processing issues (Proactive alert - No ticket raised)	29 tickets raised on this issue. 6 files with processing issues. There was no customer facing impact as manual steps were put in place immediately until the automated fix was implemented.		Υ	Υ	20/07	
14/07	Database corruption (INC1156418)	6 hours 45 minutes of downtime for Gemini, preventing customers from accessing the Service	Υ	Υ	Υ	13/08	
23/07	Certificate replacement (INC1163278)	4 hours 23 minutes of intermittent failure of the B2B file transfer to Gemini, resolved for the 17.00 run. No customer impact during the outage as an automated process was put in place to resubmit the flows	Y	Υ	Y	27/07	
24/07 & 08/09	File store issue (INC1164038 & INC1182455)	Disruption to Gemini. Line Pack, Demand Attribution and Auction process was not completed / published First Outage – 3hrs 48 mins Second Outage – 1hr 43 mins	Y	Y	Y	16/09	
28/07	Network issue (INC1166416)	1 hour 51 minutes of disruption/downtime for Gemini & CMS for all external users	Y	Y	Y	30/08	
26/08 & 01/09	B2B Gateway Issue (INC1178023 & INC1179970)	Shippers not getting EU Nominations confirmed within the Gemini system and therefore uncertain if their requested quantity is available. First Outage – 3hrs 28 mins. Second Outage –10 hrs.	Y	N	ETA 18/09	TBC	
25/08 & 29/08	IX Network issue (INC1177166 & INC1179270)	All Gemini customers connecting via Citrix over the Vodafone IX network were unable to access the system for a prolonged period although API access was unaffected. First Outage duration – 8hrs 7 mins Second Outage duration- 8hr 38 mins	Y	Y	Y	09/09	

Recent Gemini Issues – Next Steps

- We would like to apologise for any disruption to your business and colleagues during these
 events. We are completely confident in the efforts that have been put on root cause analysis
 and that we have understood, and addressed root cause.
- Our SWOT team will remain in place post root cause analysis, seeking to identify pro-actively any potential areas of risk or likely areas of disruption we can mitigate
- For any customers that would like more detail on any or all of the Incidents, what happened, what the root cause was and how it was resolved etc, we are looking at running an open meeting in October to share additional detail and answer any questions that you have
- For further information, or to register your interest to attend a more detailed follow up session in October, please contact your Customer Advocate all contact details available here:

https://www.xoserve.com/about-us/your-customer-team/

TLS & SSL Change in Spring 2021

What's happening?

- To maintain the security of our services, in July 2020 we upgraded our Transport Layer Security (TLS) version to 1.2
- We did this because TLS version 1.0, and 1.1 are now outdated security standards and have known security vulnerabilities to keep us safe we must remove these from our services
- TLS v1.0 will be decommissioned on the 14th of February 2021
- TLS v1.1 will be decommissioned on the 14th of March 2021

What happens next?

- Xoserve will issue a change pack with comprehensive details by the end of September 2020
- Please ensure your IT teams are aware of this change and have reviewed the change pack

If you have any questions or require any additional support please contact box.xoserve.geminire-platform@xoserve.com **Gas Transmission**

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Charging –
changes from
October 2020

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NTS Transportation Charges: Changes being implemented for October 2020

Overview

- Following on June's Gas Ops Forum, this is a reminder of the changes to Gas Transportation charging following Ofgem's decision on 28 May 2020 to implement UNC0678A with effect from October 2020.
- Ofgem approved UNC 0678A on 28 May 2020 to be effective from October 2020
 - https://www.ofgem.gov.uk/system/files/docs/2020/05/unc678 decision 0.pdf
- With this, the current charging arrangements ends, and the new framework starts at 05:00 on 01 October 2020.
- New framework focuses on Capacity charges to recover Transmission Revenues with a new methodology to calculate capacity reserve prices
- This session brings together an overview of the changes taking place and links to the system changes to facilitate it

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NTS Transportation Charges: Changes being implemented for October 2020

Overview

- Two types of charges will be effective from 1 October, that will therefore be visible in all invoices issued from November with the ex-post invoicing that takes place.
 - Transmission Services Revenue, which broadly aligns to the Transmission Owner (TO) Revenue, will be recovered by Transmission Services Charges
 - Non-Transmission Services Revenues, which broadly aligns to the System Operator (SO) Revenue, will be recovered by Non-Transmission Services Charges
- A summary of the main charges

Transmission Services	Non-Transmission Services			
Entry and Exit Capacity Charges determined by auction or allocation in line with the UNC	St Fergus Compression Charge			
Transmission Services Entry and Exit Revenue Recovery charges	NTS Meter Maintenance Charges			
	DN Pensions Deficit Charges			
	General Non-Transmission Services Charges (Entry and Exit)			

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NTS Transportation Charges: Changes being implemented for October 2020

Changes: Uniform Network Code (UNC) Modification proposal 0678A

- Postage Stamp pricing for Transmission capacity reserve prices (i.e. one Entry and one Exit price irrespective of geographic location) with the payable price changing each year
 - Except for long term Entry capacity booked before 6 April 2017
- All capacity reserve prices the same (annual, daily, etc) except:
 - 10% discount to reserve prices for interruptible / off peak capacity
 - 50% discount to reserve prices for Storage Capacity
- Managing Transmission Revenue Recovery within year via capacity-based charges.
- There is no charging product for managing inefficient bypass (this is being developed separately through UNC0728/A/B/C/D). This arrangement is known as "Shorthaul".
- Non-Transmission Charges (broadly aligning to SO) recovered via a commodity charge.

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NTS Transportation Charges: Changes being implemented for October 2020

Publications and updates to charges

- Charges published: https://www.nationalgrid.com/uk/gas-transmission/charging/transmission-system-charges under "Final Notices"
 - Final Transmission Services Entry and Exit Capacity Reference and Reserve Prices for Gas Year 20/21.
 - Forecasted Contracted Capacity used to set the reference/reserve prices
 - Final Indicative Non-Transmission Charges for October 2020 including the Transmission Services Revenue Recovery charges and Non-Transmission Services Charges
- Updates beyond October 2020
 - Revenue recovery will be monitored and those charges that could be updated within the year to manage revenue recovery include:
 - Transmission Services Revenue Recovery charges, General Non-Transmission Services Charges
 (Entry and Exit) and the St. Fergus Compression charge

NTS Transportation Charges: Managing Inefficient bypass in the charging framework

Managing Inefficient Bypass

- There is no charging product for managing inefficient bypass (this is being developed separately) effective from 1 October 2020 following implementation of UNC0678A. This arrangement is also known as "Shorthaul".
 - Current arrangements will end as UNC0678A is implemented for 1 October 2020.
 - Notice has been issued to those impacted.
- National Grid developed a shorthaul charge to work with new charging arrangements.
- UNC Modification 0728 (https://www.gasgovernance.co.uk/0728) was raised on 09 June 2020, and along with four alternatives, followed an expedited ("urgent") UNC change process timetable to conclude the consultation.
- These modifications are with Ofgem for decision. Ofgem announced on 16 July they would carry out an Impact Assessment on these proposals.
- All the proposals are offer a capacity discount on a conditional basis and two of the four proposals also offer a discount to General Non-Transmission Charges.

NTS Transportation Charges: Changes being implemented for October 2020

Opportunity to join a National Grid Charging Webinar – 28 September 1.30pm

- We recognise this brings several changes to the Gas Transportation charging regime from October 2020. To help bring clarity to what these changes mean to you, we're hosting a webinar that will explore the basics of charging for those interested.
- Join us on this webinar:
 - If you're new to the area and want to know how charging works
 - If you've been doing this a while but would like a refresher
 - If you're keen to understand the reasons for change and to how the October changes will impact charging
- To register please use the following link:
- https://www.eventbrite.com/e/ngg-charging-webinar-tickets-117399020631

Questions and Contact information

Regulatory changes and new methodology

Email: box.gsoconsultations@nationalgrid.com

General charging questions on prices and publications

Email: box.NTSGasCharges@nationalgrid.com

Capacity questions

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Gas Market Change – Contact Us

Charging Arrangements

- Amending the Gas Transmission Charging regime to better meet relevant charging objectives and customer/stakeholder provided objectives for Transportation charges
- Colin Williams
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Gas Blending

- To assess the operational feasibility and regulatory / commercial issues associated with offering gas quality blending services at NTS entry points
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Access Review

- To review the principles and establish a long-term strategy for the NTS capacity access regime
- Jen Randall jennifer.randall@nationalgrid.com 07768 251404

Other Queries

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Gemini Change Programme

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GB Charging Project

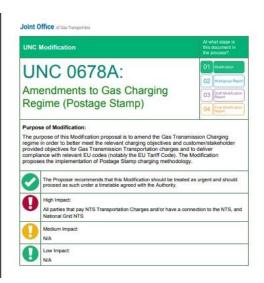
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Overview

UNC Modification 678A 'Amendments to Gas Transmission Charging Regime' are to be implemented for 1st October 2020 in line with Ofgem's decision published 28th May 2020.

Full details of the new regime can be found in UNC Modification 678A and other relevant documents published by the Joint Office.

This update covers the associated systems impacts and where they relate to features of the new charging regime.



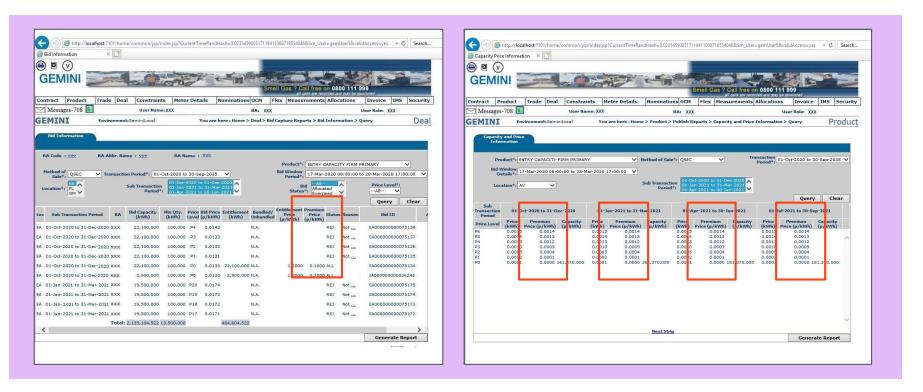
Systems impacts to Gemini & UK Link Users - a reminder

- Changes to Charge Types and Invoices
- > Amended Gemini Screens:
 - Bid Information Report
 - Capacity and Price Information Report Entry
- > New Gemini Screens:
 - Users Adjusted Capacity Report Entry
 - Users Adjusted Capacity Report Exit

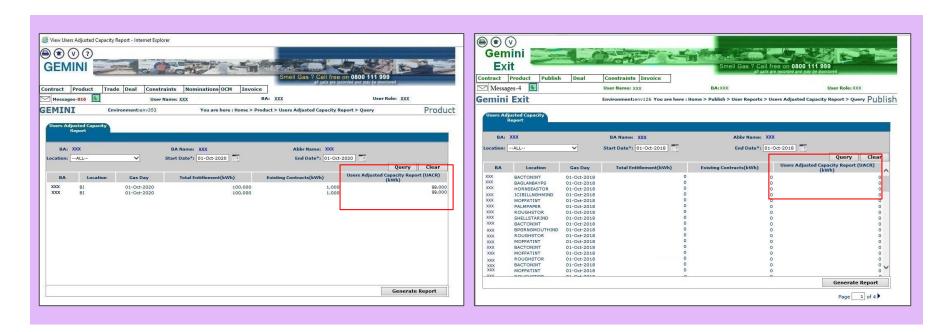
Changes to Charge Types and Invoices

- New charge types to be added into Gemini and UK Link to align with the Transmission Services and Non Transmission Services charges under UNC0678A
- New charge types will be populated on October invoices which are issued in November
- New records within the existing invoice file formats are detailed in the <u>Xoserve</u> Change Pack in the section on Gemini Passthrough Invoice File Format Change
- In addition, existing sites that are currently on the NTS Optional Commodity Rate will be end dated for the 30th September. Impacted shippers have been notified.
- Full details are in the Xoserve Change Pack circulated on the 5th June 2020

Amended Gemini Screens: Bid Information Report & Capacity and Price Info Report



New Gemini Screens: Users Adjusted Capacity Report – Entry and Exit



GB Charging Next Steps & Contact Details

Briefing Pack with further details to be circulated to shipper community after Gas Ops Forum



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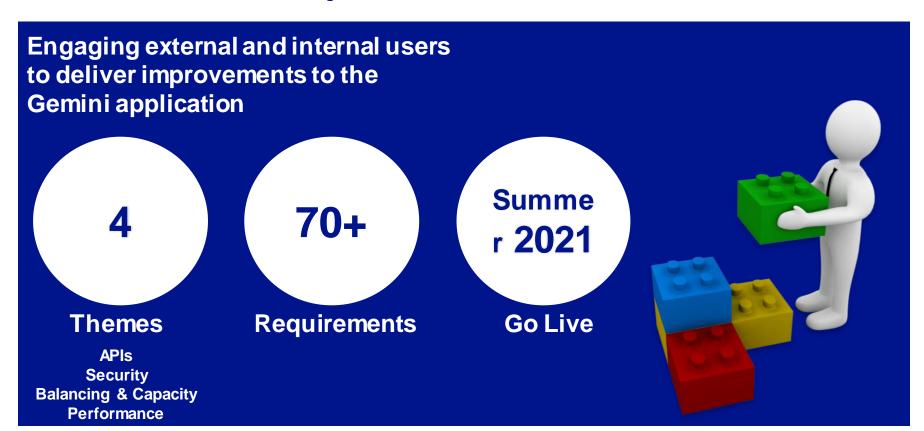


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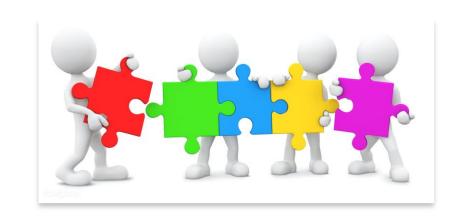
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What is the GSE Project?

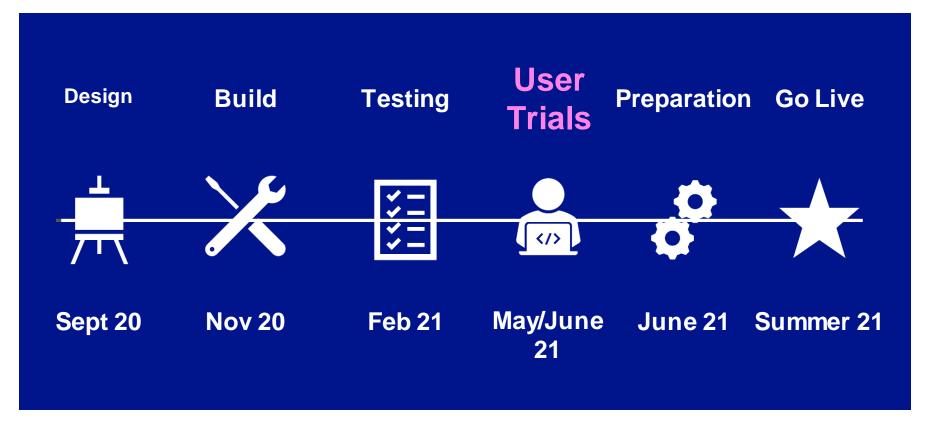


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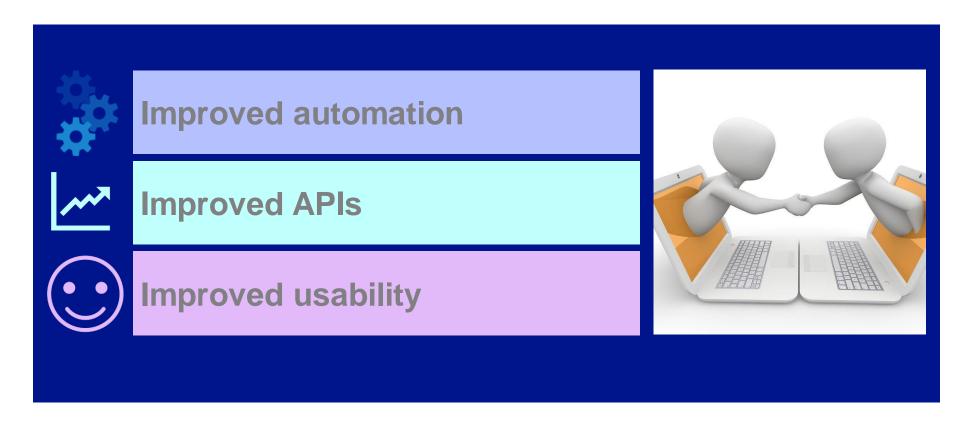
- Thank you to everyone who participated in the GSE Shipper Requirement Clarification workshops in July
- There will be a delivery scope session for the shipper community in October
- Opportunity for User Trials in May/June next year



GSE Timeline



GSE Benefits



GSE Next Steps & Contact Details

The shipper community will be kept informed of GSE progress through the Gas Ops Forum, Email and bespoke workshops

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Prevention and process around capacity booking issues

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Context and purpose

- Current working conditions potentially introduce a heightened level of data entry risk. Our companies all
 rely on processes and controls in place to maintain operations and quality.
- Gemini has existing functionality to help Shippers prevent bidding errors.
- Previous Manifest Error discussions at TWG concluded that there was already sufficient preventative measures available (as above). There was insufficient industry appetite to explore additional measures.
- However, the August invoices contained:
 - an adjustment made following a query raised relating to an error made in March
 - an element of the Capacity charge that is subject to an on-going query raised by a Shipper in August
- The purpose of this session is to:
 - highlight the importance of entering correct capacity auctions data
 - clarify the consequences and process to follow, should an issue occur
 - reiterate the need to use Gemini parameters to mitigate the risk of issues

Importance of entering correct capacity auctions data

- If bids are entered incorrectly (price / quantity):
 - The amount of capacity allocated across multiple auction participants may be impacted
 - The revenue generated and fed into neutrality calculations may also be impacted
 - Overrun charges may be incorrect for other auction participants
- Gemini will automatically process the bids entered provided the data meets system parameters
 - These parameters are wide and do not provide a safety net
- It is not NG's responsibility to check bids as such GNCC do not validate or check bids prior to processing for reasons of practicality and commerciality
 - Many bids at multiple locations are processed daily (within hourly 15m windows as required by UNC) and Shippers are at liberty to take a competitive pricing position, based on their strategy
- It is each Shipper's responsibility to enter data correctly and check this ahead of submitting bids
 - A "Modify / Withdraw" pop-up window appears with the key information, specifically to prompt a review and allow changes

What happens when a Shipper identifies an issue?

- If data is entered incorrectly and spotted prior to the bid window closing, use the "Modify/Withdraw" prompt to make any amendments
 - If system problems are encountered in doing this, contact GNCC immediately.
- If the issue is discovered after the bid window closes, or on receipt of the invoice, please contact capacityauctions.box@nationalgrid.com asap
 - Include the specifics of the incident such as the cause of the issue, and flag (with rationale) if this is to be raised as a dispute.
- A "pay now / dispute later" principle applies to Daily NTS Entry Capacity the invoice will need to be settled in full
 and on time
- On receipt of a dispute request, we will investigate the specific circumstances of the case and consult internally
- In the unlikely event that a repayment is authorised
 - The process is complex and lengthy, needing to rework neutrality calculations, multiple participants' positions, overrun charges etc
 - Invoice adjustments may be necessary which are also time-consuming to process and impact multiple parties



Gemini shipper/user preferences - summary

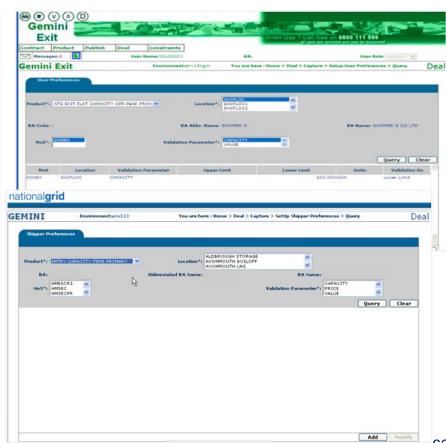
Functionality is available in Gemini that allows users to set validation parameters against certain criteria for **Long Term Application Requests** and **Short Term Auctions** at NTS Entry and Exit Points.

- In Gemini (Entry) this is referred to as Shipper Preferences
 - Home > Deal > Capture > Setup Shipper Preferences
- In Gemini Exit this is referred to as User Preferences
 - Home > Deal > Capture > Setup User Preferences



Gemini shipper/user preferences – overview

- Preferences can be set up for each Product,
 Method of Sale (MoS), Location, and for each individual Validation Parameter.
- Validation Parameters include Capacity, Price and Value (depending on the Method of Sale selected).
- Adding validation for a product/MoS requires users to add separate validation parameters for price, capacity and value individually but multiple locations can be selected to save time.
- Upper and Lower Limits can be set with the validation applying to: Upper, Lower or Both. This will be displayed as Validation On.
- Validation Parameters can be modified or queried at any time once set up.



Gemini shipper/user preferences – process

- To set up Validation Parameters follow these steps-
- **Product** select this to pre-populate the **Location**, **MoS** and **Validation Parameters**, then select:
- Location you can select a single location or multiple locations;
- Method of Sale select an MoS e.g. for Exit DADNEX for Entry DADSEC;
- Validation Parameter select a validation parameter (lists parameters that can be modified for this particular MoS, these include Price, Capacity and Value (£ value = Price x Capacity)).
- Query displays the validation already associated with the Product/MoS/Location(s). If no validation is present you can Add. If validation is present you can Add and/or Modify parameters.
- Add click on this to display the Validation Parameter e.g. Price. Set the Upper and Lower Limits by typing in the boxes by first selecting Validation On for either Upper/Lower/Both. Please note that you may need to click on Query again to display the parameters if they are not showing.
- Modify allows you to modify each aspect of the validation parameter selected.
- Save saves the parameters that have been added or modified.

Gemini shipper/user preferences - in use

Once validation parameters have been set up for each Product/MoS/Location, the system will start to validate any requests made when placing values against these products.

Remember - ensure that Validation Parameters are set up for each Product that you want to use.

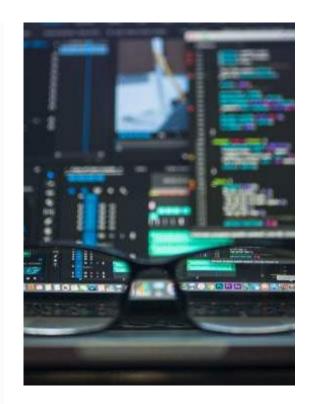
When set up, if your request contravenes any of the validation parameters then the system will automatically generate a message.

You will then have a choice of either cancelling or proceeding with the request by overriding the message.

Further training and reading

The Gemini e-learning module explains how to set parameters – here.

Chapter 3 of the External System User Guidelines explains the process.



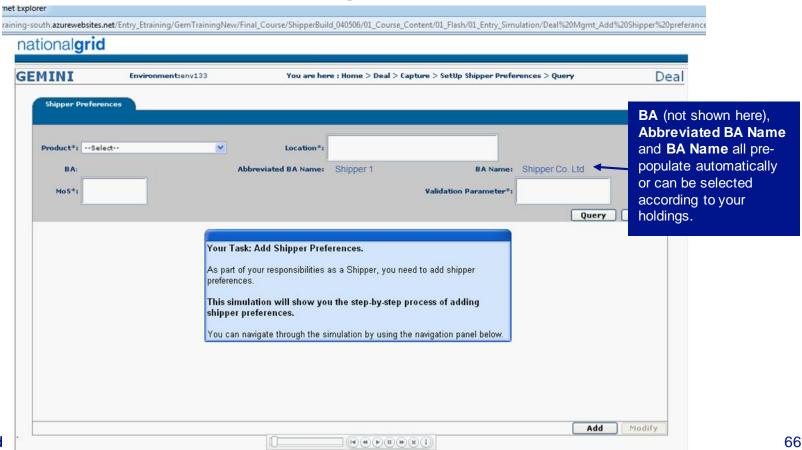
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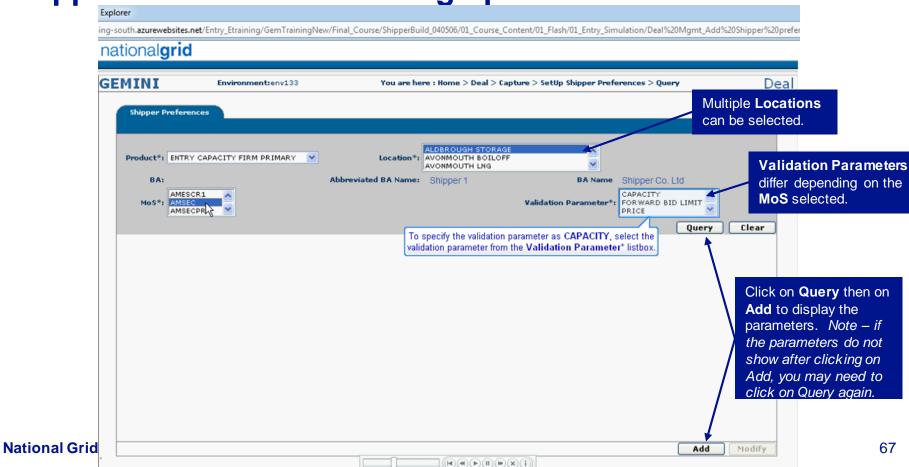
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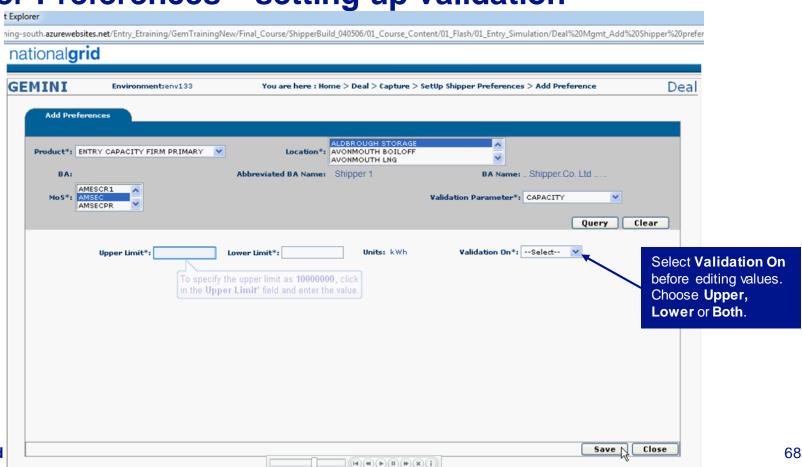
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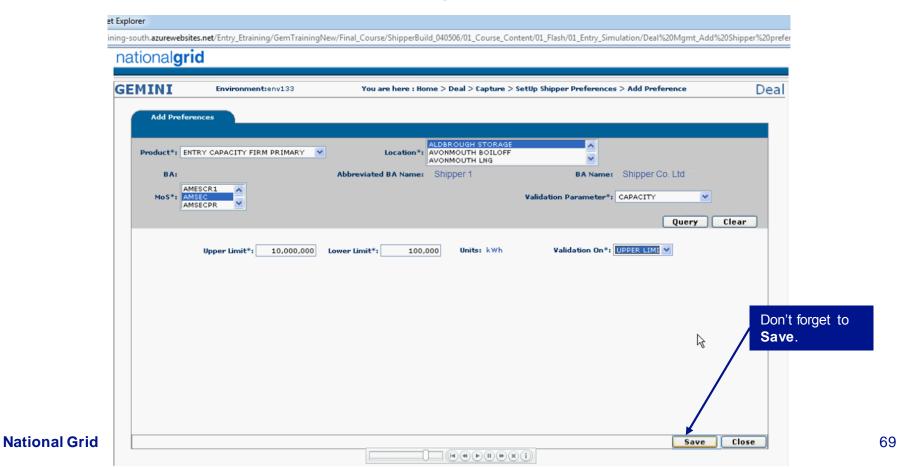


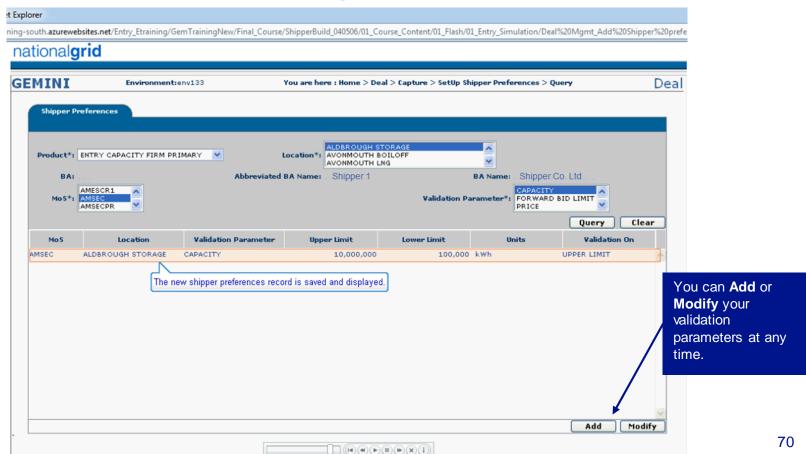
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Gas Transmission

NEC Industry Exercise 'Baltic'

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Aim and objectives

Aim:

The aim of this exercise is to demonstrate that the gas industry is prepared and able to meet its obligations in the event of a Network Gas Supply Emergency (NGSE), against a backdrop of social distancing measures being in force



Aim and objectives

Objectives:

- Test the ability of industry to respond to an NGSE during a situation where it is unsuitable for responders to travel to a response facility
- Test emergency response communications both operationally (i.e. the activation of the Gas Availability Status Report and GSO to ESO liaison) and publicly through participation of Corporate Affairs representatives
- Practice the response link between the Distribution Network's response teams and National Grid's Network Emergency Management Team
- Validate emergency procedures, specifically E1, National Grid's E3, the E3 documents of the Distribution Networks, and the NEC Safety Case
- Embed, for testing, recommendations from previous industry emergency exercises, including NEC Exercise 'Arctic' (2019) and the series of Critical Transportation Constraint exercises delivered between National Grid and the Distribution Networks in Q1 2020.

Exercise Baltic - Scope

Wednesday 7th Oct

Commercial Day

- Gas Balancing Notification (live exercise activation)
- OCM Balancing trades (notional)
- Scaleback off-peak exit capacity (notional)
- Operating Margins (notional)
- Margins Notice (live exercise activation if triggered)

09:00 - c.16:30

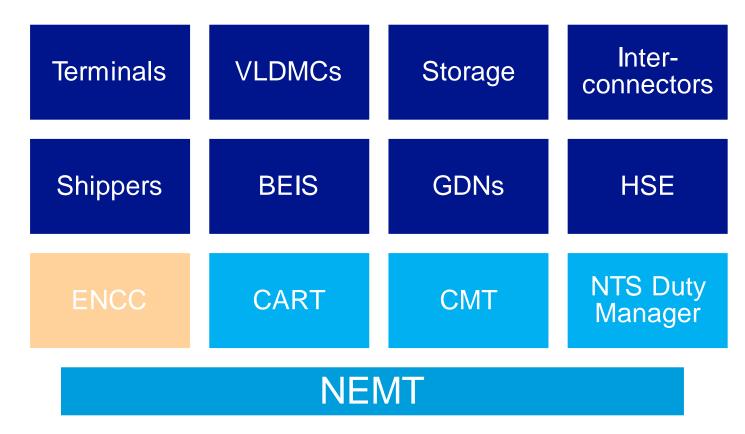
Thursday 8th Oct

Emergency Day

- Stage 1: Emergency Specification gas (Live exercise activation)
- Stage 2: Flow Direction
 & Load Shedding
 (Live exercise activation)
- Stage 3: Public Appeal
 & Allocation and
 Isolation
 (Live exercise activation)

09:00 - c.16:00

Participation



Exercise Communications

- ANS messages will communicate the commencement, pausing and end of the exercise across the 7th & 8th October.
 - Start Ex (c.09:00 7th October)
 - Pause Ex (c.16:00 7th October)
 - Re-Start Ex (c.09:00 8th October)
 - End Ex (c.16:00 8th October)

- Within the exercise response the following communications shall be made, clearly marked for 'Exercise'.
 - Gas Balancing Notification
 - Margins notice (if scenario data triggers one)
 - Emergency Declaration (and Stage updates)
 - Authorisation to admit G(S(M)R Schedule 3 part 2 Gas
 - Storage/Terminal/LNG Flow Direction Notification
 - GS(M)R Direction Notice (Shipper Information)

Further information

- The industry briefing notes was issued to all contacts via ANS 21st August:
- Contact the GSO Safety, Response and Assurance Team:
 - <u>Gasops.emergencyplanning@nationalgrid.com</u>
- Telephone Exercise Control (During Exercise):
 - 07812 461015



Event date: Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th October 2020



Exercise 'BALTIC' is the Gas Industry's annual Network Gas Supply Emergency (NGSE) Network Emergency Coordinator (NEC) assurance exercise.

Exercise Baltic will focus on NEC communications with all industry participants at stages 1-3 of an emergency and assure that industry participants are aware of their obligations to comply with NEC instructions.

Executive Summary

- It is essential for the gas industry to be able to manage an emergency situation safely and effectively, the annual exercise is one of the key ways of demonstrating its preparedness.
- The NEC has a legal requirement to provide assurance that the gas industry can take action to manage and recover from a gas deficit emergency.
- This year, response teams will respond remotely via virtual means
- Exercise Baltic will utilise live demand data and simulate a series
 of supply losses to trigger a NGSE.
- Industry notifications shall be tested through the activation of a Gas Balancing Notification (GBN), Margins Notice and Emergency Declarations.
- Exercise Baltic will seek to test communication methods between National Grid's Network Emergency Management Team (NEMT) and all relevant gas industry participants to complete the principle objectives set out in this briefing note.
- The NEC will request a feedback report from all participants involved upon completion of the exercise for use in producing the post exercise report.

COVID-19: In light of the unpredictable circumstance surrounding the coronavirus panelmin, this year's exercise will be conducted remote coronavirus panelmin, the year's exercise will be conducted remote from tactical (silver) level response facilities. The Office of the NEC is from the response centre response centres for the purposes of the exercise, instead to activate their response centres for the purposes of the exercise, instead to activate their response centres at the time of the exercise. It is appreciated that operational elements of at the response, such as gas terminal control centres, will remain in situ but, we are not requesting participants attend a physical office location of they are able to conduct their response form home, and would be expected to do so during the peak of a pandemic or in the face of extreme severe weather.

Industry
Communications
System Changes



Industry Communications System Changes

- Our current and Emergency Communications and Active Notification System (ANS), Criticall, is being decommissioned by the supplier.
- FACT24 will replace Criticall from 1st December 2020, following a period of parallel running during October and November.
- FACT24 has a very similar user interface and all current Criticall users and data will be migrated "like for like".
- Please ensure your details are up to date by <u>Tuesday 29th September</u>.
- From October you will be able to access FACT24 with your current Criticall security credentials
 https://fact.fact24.com/k2web/login?0
- We plan to test FACT24 during the upcoming Emergency Exercise "Baltic" on 7th & 8th October.

Updates



Active
Notification
System (ANS)

NTS Constraint message review

Martin Cahill
Operational Liaison Lead



NTS Constraints - ANS Message Review

- An internal review of our constraint ANS messages has been completed as part of our winter preparations.
- Following the review our messaging for Locational Energy Actions have been updated and are being shared with you for awareness.
- For Any queries relating to ANS messaging please contact the GNCC team email box account, box.GNCC.controlroom@nationalgrid.com
- ANS messages will be sent to all registered users and displayed on the Prevailing view web page.
 - http://mip-prd-web.azurewebsites.net/StatusView

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National Grid no longer has a requirement to **buy** locational gas.

National Grid no longer has a requirement to sell locational gas.

Gas Quality Blending Services Consultation

Phil Hobbins Commercial Codes Change Manager



NGG Gas Quality Blending Services Consultation

We have been exploring the possibility of NGG gas quality blending services at NTS entry points for a while

We have now reached the point where we want to conduct our first formal industry consultation on this topic

We plan to publish the consultation document by 18th September 2020 for a two-month period, with a consultation report to follow before Christmas

We will publish the consultation on our website and notify the industry via ENA and Joint Office e-mails

For more information please contact philip.hobbins@nationalgrid.com or rachel.hinsley1@nationalgrid.com

National Grid IT Changes

Joshua Bates Operational Liaison & Business Delivery Manager



National Grid - System Outage

In November last year we told you we needed to make some essential changes to our IT systems. These changes mean we will need to take a series of outages which will have impacts on they way we tell you about PCLP and also the data we display on our operational pages, the impacts being to data on the prevailing view page and within Data item explorer.

The changes we need to make will be done over a series of days, starting on **Saturday 17 October 2020**, with an outage of **6 hours**, commencing in the 16:00hrs hour bar. With a contingency date of **Saturday 31 October 2020** if operationally required.

We also need to take shorter outages on **20 and 22 October 2020** of around **3 hours**, these will be carried out during the same hour bar; 16:00hrs, after publication of the hourly information. With contingency dates of the **3 and 5 November 2020** if operationally required.

During the outages we will make opening linepack, demand & PCLP data available utilising the Active Notification Service (ANS), and we will update Prevailing View with this information too.

If you use electronic notifications to let us know supply and demand information you will be asked to revert to contingency arrangements during these periods, please do not send us electronic files/.emails as these will be not be processed.

Missing data will be retrospectively populated and made available.

The following areas will be impacted:

- Electronic Notifications (Supply and Demand profiles submitted to National Grid)
- PCLP Data Hourly Data
- Forecast Flows Hourly Data
- Physical Flows Hourly Data

Within Data Item Explorer the following will be impacted:

Obligated MIPI reports impacted	Impact During System Outage
NTSAFF-Aggregate Forecast Flows into the NTS	Continues to update with last good value
NTSAPF-Aggregate Physical Flows into the NTS	Total Outage to data - no updates – until System is backed up, next available hour bar will then be published by GNCC
NB92-System Status Information	Total Outage to data - no updates - until System is backed up, next available hour bar will then be published by GNCC
Physical Flows, Bacton IUK Entry	No data updates for duration
Physical Flows, Bacton IUK Exit	No data updates for duration
Physical Flows, Bacton BBL Entry	No data updates for duration
Physical Flows, Moffat Exit	No data updates for duration
GMRS Data	Updates with last good value until a new value is received

Data will be made available during outages through ANS and Prevailing View

Close

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Next Forum

The Next Operational Forum will take place on the 22nd October via WebEx or Teams

Please send any topic requests to:

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Register now at:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/gas-operational-forum-october-2020-tickets-85099778729

