

## iGT UNC / iGT INC Draft Modification Report

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<b>iGT UNC / Pipeline Operator</b> <i>Confirm whether the Modification Proposal is to the iGT UNC or an iGT's Individual Network Code.</i>	iGT UNC
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<p><b>Background</b></p> <p>Article 3(5a) of the Electricity Directive and Article 3(6a) of the Gas Directive requires Member States to ensure that where a customer, while respecting contractual conditions, wishes to change Supplier, the change is effected within three weeks. The detailed measures are described in the DECC Impact Assessment No.DECC0003 dated 14/01/2011. Government has transposed the requirements into Draft Statutory Instrument The Electricity and Gas (Internal Markets) Regulations 2011, which are now laid before Parliament.</p> <p>Part 3 of these Regulations will amend the Standard Conditions of a Gas Supply Licence, specifically by adding Standard Condition 14A Customer Transfer; 'Obligation to complete a Supply Transfer within three weeks.' In order to comply a Supplier will need to make arrangements with their Shipper to transfer ownership of the relevant Supply Point within the prescribed timescales.</p> <p>Existing iGT UNC business rules and industry systems do not facilitate 3 week (21 calendar day) switching.</p>	
<p><b>The Proposal</b></p> <p>The three-week switching period can start and/or end on any calendar or business day and that period may additionally include bank holidays and designated non-working days. The switching process needs to ensure switching compliance in all circumstances and the existing current process with a latest confirmation request date of Supply Point Registration Date (SRD) - 15 Business Days will not guarantee this.</p> <p>However, this could be achieved by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Fixing the Confirmation Window to SRD-7 Business Days through to SRD i.e. exactly as it</li> </ol>	

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is under the existing rules.

2. Make the minimum confirmation lead time 21 Calendar Days
3. Absorb any limitation of days in a flexible Objection period.
4. Process Objection notifications on any Business Day within the period.

### How will the proposal operate?

#### *Definitions*

This section refers to the following Rules and definitions:

- Calendar Days - all days of the year including weekends and bank holidays.
- Working Days - weekdays including bank holidays but NOT weekends.
- Business Days - days upon which iGT systems operates (currently does not include weekends or bank holidays and other designated days).
- Transfer notification period is SRD-7
- That flows will only be processed by iGT's on BUSINESS DAYS.
- That 21 Calendar days is the finite limit from start to finish of the CoS process.
- That Supply Point Registration Date (SRD) is counted as Calendar Day 1.
- That the day the Confirmation Request (F2) is submitted is Calendar Day 1
- That SRD can fall on ANY calendar day including weekends or bank holidays.
- That a Confirmation request is normally sent on D1, i.e. directly after the cooling off period where applicable. Note: the confirmation request may be submitted earlier up to SRD - 30 business days if required under commercial contracts for example.

*Fix Transfer Notification to D-7 Business Days prior to SRD.*

Transfer Notification flow (final F2) is issued 7 Business Days BEFORE Supply Point Registration Date (SRD). This is the timetable currently reflected under the terms laid out in the iGT UNC.

*Absorb any limitation in the number of Business Days in a flexible Objection period.*

Fixing the confirmation issue date to seven business days prior to SRD results in a maximum objection period of 7 Business Days following submission of a confirmation file. However this is impacted when a non business day or Bank Holiday falls within the available time slot, and can be reduced further over the Christmas & New Year period.

Because these occurrences are only limited instances that impact SRD, it is not proposed to limit all objections to match this minimum. Instead this proposal is to allow all available days up to and including SRD-8 to be usable for the production of Objections

Therefore the minimum window in which a confirmation could be achieved would be 21 Calendar days, where the confirmation request would be on Day 1 of that period and SRD would be on Day 21. This solution ensures that ALL transfers would happen within 21 Calendar Days, without exception.

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### *Illustrations of Proposal*

To illustrate this, a number of diagrams for each of the main variations are provided, and the key to these illustrations is as follows:

Description	Key
Calendar Days	CD (D-3)
Business Days	D-7
Objection Days	Obj
Request Sent	RQ
Supply Registration Start Date	SSD
Non Working days	
UK Bank Holiday	
Scottish Bank Holiday	

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### 1. Change of Supplier with NO Bank Holidays

The first example is of a Change of Supplier (CoS) which takes place when there are no bank holidays at any point in the 21 calendar day period. By starting at SRD on 24/10/2011 and counting back seven Business Days one can determine that D-7 is on 13/10/2011. You can then see that there are then SIX Business Days during which an Objection could be used.

Illustration 1 – 21 day window with no Bank Holidays

ENGLAND & WALES		CD	BD	SCOTLAND		Day Type
02/10/2011	Sunday			02/10/2011	Sunday	Week End
03/10/2011	Monday			03/10/2011	Monday	Business Day
04/10/2011	Tuesday	RQ 21	RQ	04/10/2011	Tuesday	Business Day
05/10/2011	Wednesday	D 20	Obj	05/10/2011	Wednesday	Business Day
06/10/2011	Thursday	D 19	Obj	06/10/2011	Thursday	Business Day
07/10/2011	Friday	D 18	Obj	07/10/2011	Friday	Business Day
08/10/2011	Saturday	D 17		08/10/2011	Saturday	Week End
09/10/2011	Sunday	D 16		09/10/2011	Sunday	Week End
10/10/2011	Monday	D 15	Obj	10/10/2011	Monday	Business Day
11/10/2011	Tuesday	D 14	Obj	11/10/2011	Tuesday	Business Day
12/10/2011	Wednesday	D 13	Obj	12/10/2011	Wednesday	Business Day
13/10/2011	Thursday	D 12	D-7	13/10/2011	Thursday	Business Day
14/10/2011	Friday	D 11	D-6	14/10/2011	Friday	Business Day
15/10/2011	Saturday	D 10		15/10/2011	Saturday	Week End
16/10/2011	Sunday	D 9		16/10/2011	Sunday	Week End
17/10/2011	Monday	D 8	D-5	17/10/2011	Monday	Business Day
18/10/2011	Tuesday	D 7	D-4	18/10/2011	Tuesday	Business Day
19/10/2011	Wednesday	D 6	D-3	19/10/2011	Wednesday	Business Day
20/10/2011	Thursday	D 5	D-2	20/10/2011	Thursday	Business Day
21/10/2011	Friday	D 4	D-1	21/10/2011	Friday	Business Day
22/10/2011	Saturday	D 3		22/10/2011	Saturday	Week End
23/10/2011	Sunday	D 2		23/10/2011	Sunday	Week End
24/10/2011	Monday	SRD 1	SRD	24/10/2011	Monday	Business Day
25/10/2011	Tuesday			25/10/2011	Tuesday	Business Day
26/10/2011	Wednesday			26/10/2011	Wednesday	Business Day
27/10/2011	Thursday			27/10/2011	Thursday	Business Day
28/10/2011	Friday			28/10/2011	Friday	Business Day

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### 2. Change of Supplier with One Bank Holiday

This example is of a CoS which takes place when there is a bank holiday in the Confirmation Period but NONE in the Objection period.

By starting at SRD on 14/05/2012 and counting back seven Business Days one can determine that D-7 is on 02/05/2012. You can then see that still leaves FIVE Business Days during which an Objection could be used.

Illustration 2 – 21 day window with Bank Holiday in Confirmation window

ENGLAND & WALES		CD	BD	SCOTLAND		Day Type
22/04/2012	Sunday			22/04/2012	Sunday	Week End
23/04/2012	Monday			23/04/2012	Monday	Business Day
24/04/2012	Tuesday	RQ 21	RQ	24/04/2012	Tuesday	Business Day
25/04/2012	Wednesday	D 20	Obj	25/04/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
26/04/2012	Thursday	D 19	Obj	26/04/2012	Thursday	Business Day
27/04/2012	Friday	D 18	Obj	27/04/2012	Friday	Business Day
28/04/2012	Saturday	D 17		28/04/2012	Saturday	Week End
29/04/2012	Sunday	D 16		29/04/2012	Sunday	Week End
30/04/2012	Monday	D 15	Obj	30/04/2012	Monday	Business Day
01/05/2012	Tuesday	D 14	Obj	01/05/2012	Tuesday	Business Day
02/05/2012	Wednesday	D 13	D-7	02/05/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
03/05/2012	Thursday	D 12	D-6	03/05/2012	Thursday	Business Day
04/05/2012	Friday	D 11	D-5	04/05/2012	Friday	Business Day
05/05/2012	Saturday	D 10		05/05/2012	Saturday	Week End
06/05/2012	Sunday	D 9		06/05/2012	Sunday	Week End
07/05/2012	Monday	D 8		07/05/2012	Monday	Bank Holiday
08/05/2012	Tuesday	D 7	D-4	08/05/2012	Tuesday	Business Day
09/05/2012	Wednesday	D 6	D-3	09/05/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
10/05/2012	Thursday	D 5	D-2	10/05/2012	Thursday	Business Day
11/05/2012	Friday	D 4	D-1	11/05/2012	Friday	Business Day
12/05/2012	Saturday	D 3		12/05/2012	Saturday	Week End
13/05/2012	Sunday	D 2		13/05/2012	Sunday	Week End
14/05/2012	Monday	SRD 1	SRD	14/05/2012	Monday	Business Day
15/05/2012	Tuesday			15/05/2012	Tuesday	Business Day
16/05/2012	Wednesday			16/05/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
17/05/2012	Thursday			17/05/2012	Thursday	Business Day
18/05/2012	Friday			18/05/2012	Friday	Business Day

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#### 3. Change of Supplier with One Bank Holiday in Objection period

This example is of a CoS which takes place when there is a bank holiday in the Objection Period but NONE in the D-7 Confirmation period.

By starting at SSD on 21/05/2012 and counting back seven Business Days one can determine that D-7 is on 10/05/2012. That still leaves FIVE Business Days during which an Objection could be used even if the bank holiday is not used - this becomes more critical where there are multiple bank holidays.

Illustration 3 – 21 day window with one Bank Holiday in Objection window

ENGLAND & WALES		CD	BD	SCOTLAND		Day Type
29/04/2012	Sunday			29/04/2012	Sunday	Week End
30/04/2012	Monday			30/04/2012	Monday	Business Day
01/05/2012	Tuesday	RQ 21	RQ	01/05/2012	Tuesday	Business Day
02/05/2012	Wednesday	D 20	Obj	02/05/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
03/05/2012	Thursday	D 19	Obj	03/05/2012	Thursday	Business Day
04/05/2012	Friday	D 18	Obj	04/05/2012	Friday	Business Day
05/05/2012	Saturday	D 17		05/05/2012	Saturday	Week End
06/05/2012	Sunday	D 16		06/05/2012	Sunday	Week End
07/05/2012	Monday	D 15		07/05/2012	Monday	Bank Holiday
08/05/2012	Tuesday	D 14	Obj	08/05/2012	Tuesday	Business Day
09/05/2012	Wednesday	D 13	Obj	09/05/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
10/05/2012	Thursday	D 12	D-7	10/05/2012	Thursday	Business Day
11/05/2012	Friday	D 11	D-6	11/05/2012	Friday	Business Day
12/05/2012	Saturday	D 10		12/05/2012	Saturday	Week End
13/05/2012	Sunday	D 9		13/05/2012	Sunday	Week End
14/05/2012	Monday	D 8	D-5	14/05/2012	Monday	Business Day
15/05/2012	Tuesday	D 7	D-4	15/05/2012	Tuesday	Business Day
16/05/2012	Wednesday	D 6	D-3	16/05/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
17/05/2012	Thursday	D 5	D-2	17/05/2012	Thursday	Business Day
18/05/2012	Friday	D 4	D-1	18/05/2012	Friday	Business Day
19/05/2012	Saturday	D 3		19/05/2012	Saturday	Week End
20/05/2012	Sunday	D 2		20/05/2012	Sunday	Week End
21/05/2012	Monday	SRD 1	SRD	21/05/2012	Monday	Business Day
22/05/2012	Tuesday			22/05/2012	Tuesday	Business Day
23/05/2012	Wednesday			23/05/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
24/05/2012	Thursday			24/05/2012	Thursday	Business Day
25/05/2012	Friday			25/05/2012	Friday	Business Day

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### 4. Change of Supplier with two Bank Holidays in the 21 calendar day period

This example is of a CoS which takes place when there are two bank holidays within the D-7 Confirmation\_Period but NONE in the Objection period.

By starting at SRD on 07/06/2012 and counting back seven Business Days one can determine that D-7 is on 25/05/2012. That leaves FOUR Business Days during which an Objection could be raised.

Note: If the Bank Holidays fell inside the Objection period then there would still be four working days available.

Illustration 4 – 21 day window with multiple Bank Holidays

ENGLAND & WALES		CD	BD	SCOTLAND		Day Type
13/05/2012	Sunday			13/05/2012	Sunday	Week End
14/05/2012	Monday			14/05/2012	Monday	Business Day
15/05/2012	Tuesday			15/05/2012	Tuesday	Business Day
16/05/2012	Wednesday			16/05/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
17/05/2012	Thursday			17/05/2012	Thursday	Business Day
18/05/2012	Friday	RQ 21	RQ	18/05/2012	Friday	Business Day
19/05/2012	Saturday	D 20		19/05/2012	Saturday	Week End
20/05/2012	Sunday	D 19		20/05/2012	Sunday	Week End
21/05/2012	Monday	D 18	Obj	21/05/2012	Monday	Business Day
22/05/2012	Tuesday	D 17	Obj	22/05/2012	Tuesday	Business Day
23/05/2012	Wednesday	D 16	Obj	23/05/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
24/05/2012	Thursday	D 15	Obj	24/05/2012	Thursday	Business Day
25/05/2012	Friday	D 14	D-7	25/05/2012	Friday	Business Day
26/05/2012	Saturday	D 13		26/05/2012	Saturday	Week End
27/05/2012	Sunday	D 12		27/05/2012	Sunday	Week End
28/05/2012	Monday	D 11	D-6	28/05/2012	Monday	Business Day
29/05/2012	Tuesday	D 10	D-5	29/05/2012	Tuesday	Business Day
30/05/2012	Wednesday	D 9	D-4	30/05/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
31/05/2012	Thursday	D 8	D-3	31/05/2012	Thursday	Business Day
01/06/2012	Friday	D 7	D-2	01/06/2012	Friday	Business Day
02/06/2012	Saturday	D 6		02/06/2012	Saturday	Week End
03/06/2012	Sunday	D 5		03/06/2012	Sunday	Week End
04/06/2012	Monday	D 4		04/06/2012	Monday	Bank Holiday
05/06/2012	Tuesday	D 3		05/06/2012	Tuesday	Bank Holiday
06/06/2012	Wednesday	D 2	D-1	06/06/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
07/06/2012	Thursday	SRD 1	SRD	07/06/2012	Thursday	Business Day
08/06/2012	Friday			08/06/2012	Friday	Business Day

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### 5. Change of Supplier with four Bank Holidays in the 21 calendar day period

This example is of a CoS which takes place over the Christmas and New Year period and is the worst case scenario for non-working days.

By starting at SSD on 12/01/2012 and counting back seven Business Days one can determine that D-7 is on 30/12/2011. That leaves only TWO Business Days during which an Objection could be raised.

Illustration 5 – 21 day window with four Bank Holidays

ENGLAND & WALES		CD	BD	SCOTLAND		Day Type
18/12/2011	Sunday			18/12/2011	Sunday	Week End
19/12/2011	Monday			19/12/2011	Monday	Business Day
20/12/2011	Tuesday			20/12/2011	Tuesday	Business Day
21/12/2011	Wednesday			21/12/2011	Wednesday	Business Day
22/12/2011	Thursday			22/12/2011	Thursday	Business Day
23/12/2011	Friday	RQ 21	RQ	23/12/2011	Friday	Business Day
24/12/2011	Saturday	D 20		24/12/2011	Saturday	Week End
25/12/2011	Sunday	D 19		25/12/2011	Sunday	Week End
26/12/2011	Monday	D 18		26/12/2011	Monday	Bank Holiday
27/12/2011	Tuesday	D 17		27/12/2011	Tuesday	Bank Holiday
28/12/2011	Wednesday	D 16	Obj	28/12/2011	Wednesday	Business Day
29/12/2011	Thursday	D 15	Obj	29/12/2011	Thursday	Business Day
30/12/2011	Friday	D 14	D-7	30/12/2011	Friday	Business Day
31/12/2011	Saturday	D 13		31/12/2011	Saturday	Week End
01/01/2012	Sunday	D 12		01/01/2012	Sunday	Week End
02/01/2012	Monday	D 11		02/01/2012	Monday	Bank Holiday
03/01/2012	Tuesday	D 10		03/01/2012	Tuesday	Scottish Bank Holiday
04/01/2012	Wednesday	D 9	D-6	04/01/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
05/01/2012	Thursday	D 8	D-5	05/01/2012	Thursday	Business Day
06/01/2012	Friday	D 7	D-4	06/01/2012	Friday	Business Day
07/01/2012	Saturday	D 6		07/01/2012	Saturday	Week End
08/01/2012	Sunday	D 5		08/01/2012	Sunday	Week End
09/01/2012	Monday	D 4	D-3	09/01/2012	Monday	Business Day
10/01/2012	Tuesday	D 3	D-2	10/01/2012	Tuesday	Business Day
11/01/2012	Wednesday	D 2	D-1	11/01/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
12/01/2012	Thursday	SRD 1	SRD	12/01/2012	Thursday	Business Day
13/01/2012	Friday			13/01/2012	Friday	Business Day



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### 6. Change of Supplier with four Bank Holidays in the 21 calendar day period & the Request Date is a Non-Business Day

This example is of a CoS which takes place over the Christmas and New Year period and is the worst case scenario.

By starting at SSD on 13/01/2012 and counting back seven Business Days one can determine that D-7 is on 4/01/2012. That leaves only TWO Business Days during which an Objection could be raised. The Confirmation Request being processed on the first business day after the end of the cooling off period.

Illustration 6 – 21 day window with four Bank Holidays and last day of cooling off followed by non-business day(s)

ENGLAND & WALES		CD	BD	SCOTLAND		Day Type
18/12/2011	Sunday			18/12/2011	Sunday	Week End
19/12/2011	Monday			19/12/2011	Monday	Business Day
20/12/2011	Tuesday			20/12/2011	Tuesday	Business Day
21/12/2011	Wednesday			21/12/2011	Wednesday	Business Day
22/12/2011	Thursday			22/12/2011	Thursday	Business Day
23/12/2011	Friday	Last day cooling off		23/12/2011	Friday	Business Day
24/12/2011	Saturday	RQ 21		24/12/2011	Saturday	Week End
25/12/2011	Sunday	D 20		25/12/2011	Sunday	Week End
26/12/2011	Monday	D 19		26/12/2011	Monday	Bank Holiday
27/12/2011	Tuesday	D 18		27/12/2011	Tuesday	Bank Holiday
28/12/2011	Wednesday	D 17	RQ	28/12/2011	Wednesday	Business Day
29/12/2011	Thursday	D 16	Obj	29/12/2011	Thursday	Business Day
30/12/2011	Friday	D 15	Obj	30/12/2011	Friday	Business Day
31/12/2011	Saturday	D 14		31/12/2011	Saturday	Week End
01/01/2012	Sunday	D 13		01/01/2012	Sunday	Week End
02/01/2012	Monday	D 12		02/01/2012	Monday	Bank Holiday
03/01/2012	Tuesday	D 11		03/01/2012	Tuesday	Scottish Bank Holiday
04/01/2012	Wednesday	D 10	D-7	04/01/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
05/01/2012	Thursday	D 9	D-6	05/01/2012	Thursday	Business Day
06/01/2012	Friday	D 8	D-5	06/01/2012	Friday	Business Day
07/01/2012	Saturday	D 7		07/01/2012	Saturday	Week End
08/01/2012	Sunday	D 6		08/01/2012	Sunday	Week End
09/01/2012	Monday	D 5	D-4	09/01/2012	Monday	Business Day
10/01/2012	Tuesday	D 4	D-3	10/01/2012	Tuesday	Business Day
11/01/2012	Wednesday	D 3	D-2	11/01/2012	Wednesday	Business Day
12/01/2012	Thursday	D 2	D-1	12/01/2012	Thursday	Business Day
13/01/2012	Friday	SRD 1	SRD	13/01/2012	Friday	Business Day
14/01/2012	Saturday			14/01/2012	Saturday	Week End

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### Suggested timescale for implementation

This modification is a ‘mirror’ of UNC Modification 0403 and implementation timescales should match those of that modification and be in line with requirements under Supply Licences.

### Section of the Code Concerned

Part C1, Supply Point Registration

### Responses to Modification Proposal

Modification Proposal Consultation stage was not applied as agreed by the February Modification Panel.

### Facilitation of the relevant objectives

*How this proposal will, if implemented, better facilitate the “code relevant objectives”, as defined in Standard Condition 9 of the Gas Transporters Licence. For those answered Yes to, please provide a detailed explanation below the table.*

<i>Relevant Objective</i>	<i>Yes/No</i>
a. the efficient and economic operation of the pipe-line system to which this licence relates	No
b. so far as is consistent with sub-paragraph (a), the coordinated, efficient and economic operation of the pipe-line system of one or more other relevant gas transporters	No
c. so far as is consistent with sub-paragraphs (a) and (b), the efficient discharge of the licensee's obligations under this licence	Yes
d. so far as is consistent with sub-paragraphs (a) to (c) the securing of effective competition between relevant shippers and between relevant suppliers	No
e. so far as is consistent with sub-paragraphs (a) to (d), the 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	NO
f. so far as is consistent with sub-paragraphs (a) to (e), the promotion of efficiency in the implementation and administration of the network code and/or the uniform network code referred to in paragraphs 2 and 5 respectively of this condition	No
g. so far as is consistent with sub-paragraphs (a) to (f), the 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	Yes

*Relevant Objectives to be better facilitated:*

Enable discharge of Suppliers Licence in anticipation of new licence condition.

### Likely impact on environment?

None

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### Implementation issues including impact on systems

#### *Possible Difficulties - Large Supply Points*

The Licence Condition is to apply to both Domestic and I & C customers i.e. large and small supply points. Large supply points require Nomination prior to confirmation and this has not been incorporated with the 21 Calendar Day window. It is anticipated that most large supply points are subject to contracts and that the nomination process could be performed whilst the contract is being determined or incorporated in terms.

Domestic large supply points may be nominated during the cooling off period and this will have no further impact if the customer chooses not to go ahead with the contract.

IGT's have up to 2 days to process files. This could adversely affect solutions if use of this facility is not infrequent.

### Proposed Legal Text

The following amendments are proposed to Section CI of the iGT UNC:

#### Definition change to Objection Deadline / calendar day defined?

- Amend Paragraph 12.7

12.7 The Proposed Supply Point Registration Date shall be:

- (a) not more than 30 Business Days after the Supply Point Confirmation is submitted; and
- (b) not less than ~~15-20 Business~~ Days after the Supply Point Confirmation is submitted unless:
  - (i) at the time the Supply Point Confirmation is submitted a Supply Point Withdrawal has been submitted by the Existing Registered User in respect of each Existing Supply Point; or
  - (ii) there is no change in the identity of the Registered User in respect of the Supply Point

in which case the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date shall not be less than 8 Business Days after the Supply Point Confirmation is submitted.

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- Amend Paragraph 13.3

13.3 Where the Pipeline Operator rejects the Supply Point Confirmation the Pipeline Operator will as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within 2 Business Days after the Supply Point Confirmation was communicated inform the Proposing User of the provisions of the Code pursuant to which the Supply Point Confirmation was rejected (and where such rejection was pursuant to Clause 13.2(a)), the requirement of Clause 13.1 which was not complied with).

- Amend Paragraph 15.1

15.1 Where, at the time a Pipeline User submits a Supply Point Confirmation which is not rejected by the Pipeline Operator, there is any Existing Supply Point in respect of which a Supply Point Withdrawal has not been submitted:

- (a) the Pipeline Operator will, as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within 2 Business Days after the Supply Point Confirmation was submitted, notify the Existing Registered User of the submission of the Supply Point Confirmation and the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date, but not the identity of the Proposing User;
- (b) the Existing Registered User may, up to but not after:
  - (i) the 7th Business Day after the date of notification to the Existing Registered User of the submission of the Supply Point Confirmation (“Objection Deadline”); or
  - (ii) if earlier, the 8th Business Day before the Proposed Supply Point Registration Date, (in either case the “Objection Deadline”)submit to the Pipeline Operator an objection (“Supply Point Objection”) in respect of such Existing Supply Point provided that the Existing Registered User shall not submit such Supply Point Objection where a Consumer at domestic premises supplied with gas at the Existing Supply Point has ceased or is to cease to own or occupy the relevant premises;
- (c) the Proposing User may subject to Clause 15.9 (in the case of a Smaller Supply Point) up to but not after the 8th Business Day before the Proposed

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Supply Point Registration Date (~~the “Objection Deadline”~~) submit to the Pipeline Operator a cancellation (“Supply Point Confirmation Cancellation”) in respect of such Supply Point Confirmation.

- **Amend Paragraph 15.3**

- 15.3 Where a User (“the Objecting User”) submits a Supply Point Objection to the Pipeline Operator:
- (a) the Objecting User is required to declare its identity in the objection;
  - (b) the Pipeline Operator will as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within 2 Business Days after the Supply Point Objection was submitted notify such objection, including (where declared in the objection) the identity of the Objecting User, to the Proposing User;
  - (c) where the Objecting User did not comply with the requirement in paragraph (a);
    - (i) the Pipeline Operator will not reject the Supply Point Objection (which will accordingly be effective for the purposes of Clause 15.6);
    - (ii) the Pipeline Operator will, if requested by the Proposing User, provide to the Proposing User the identity of the Objecting User as soon as is reasonably practicable but (as is acknowledged by each Pipeline User) does not undertake to do so before the Objection Deadline.
  - (d) the Objecting User will declare in the objection the reason for its objection and if the Objecting User fails to do so, the Pipeline Operator may reject such Supply Point Objection which accordingly will not be effective for the purposes of Clause 15.6.
  - (e) and that Supply Point Objection was raised at the request (whether directly or indirectly) of the Consumer in respect of the affected Existing Supply Point, the Pipeline Operator will, where the reasons for the objection have been provided to it by the Objecting User, as soon as reasonably practicable and in any event within 2 Business Days after the Supply Point Objection was submitted, notify such reasons to the Proposing User.

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### Responses to Draft Modification Report

Comments to this DMR are welcomed by **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> March**.

In particular, comments are welcomed on:

- How this Modification better facilitates the Relevant Objectives;
- Whether this Modification has any environmental impact;
- Whether this Modification impacts on other Industry Codes or Agreements;
- Whether there are impacts on systems or processes;
- Your view of the proposed implementation timescale; and
- Whether the proposed Legal Text fully reflects the intent of this Modification.

Responses should be returned to the iGT UNC Representative, Gemserv Ltd  
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