

# DSC Change Proposal Document

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## A1: General Details

Change Reference:	XRN 5170		
Change Title:	MOD0723 (Urgent): Use of the Isolation Flag to identify sites with abnormal load reduction during COVID-19 period		
Date Raised:	04/05/2020		
Sponsor Representative Details:	Organisation:	Northern Gas Networks	
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Change Status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Proposal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> With DSG	<input type="checkbox"/> Out for Review
	<input type="checkbox"/> Voting	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Rejected

## A2: Impacted Parties

Customer Class(es):	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shipper	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Distribution Network Operator
	<input type="checkbox"/> NG Transmission	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> IGT
	<input type="checkbox"/> All	<input type="checkbox"/> Other [<If [Other] please provide details here>]
Justification for Customer Class(es) selection	Shipper Users will be required to submit the isolation request via RGMA file flows, the Gas Transporters are notified of isolated meter points, these fall into downstream processes	

## A3: Proposer Requirements / Final (redlined) Change

Problem Statement:	Live Supply Meter Points are subject to energy allocation and are also subject to being allocated the relevant share of Unidentified Gas (UIG) against each site. UNC Transportation Principle Document (TPD) Section G 3.5 states that a site that is Isolated by a Shipper User is deemed to warrant that the site is no longer being able to consume gas and is therefore removed from energy
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	<p>allocation and receiving allocation of UIG during the period of Isolation.</p> <p>Restrictions on businesses and people under the COVID-19 response, which includes measures as stated in Coronavirus Act 2020, has resulted in some sites not consuming gas, but as they are still capable of consuming and not discontinued, they cannot currently be deemed as Isolated for purposes of UNC TPD Section G.</p> <p>Currently Shipper Users can send a notice to Isolate a site by providing a notification to CDSP to advise that they have carried out specific activities with relation to cessation of the supply of gas at a Supply Meter Point under the following conditions as stipulated in UNC TPD Section G 3.5.5 'Where a User provides a notification in accordance with paragraph 3.5.2 such User shall have taken all reasonable steps to ensure that all work to cease the flow of gas has been carried out by suitably competent personnel using that degree of skill, diligence, prudence and foresight which would reasonably and ordinarily be expected from a skilled and experienced person complying with applicable law, recognised industry standards and GDN/PM/GT4, engaged in the same type of undertaking and the Transporter will be entitled to assume that the User has complied with such obligation'</p> <p>This Modification seeks to temporarily allow these sites to be marked, and treated as, 'Isolated' for the purposes of Annual Quantity (AQ) calculations, energy allocation and UIG, without meeting the conditions for physical discontinuance as stated in UNC TPD Section G 3.5.5, whilst affected by measures in the Coronavirus Act 2020</p>
<p>Change Description:</p>	<p>Where a Shipper User identifies a site as having nil or de minimis consumption as a direct result of it restrictions resulting from the Coronavirus Act 2020, Shipper Users will be able to apply a flag to the registered Supply Meter Point to be marked as Isolated.</p> <p>The periods during which the a relevant Supply Point is deemed to be in a COVID-19 period for the purposes as outlined in COVID-19 specific Modifications are: Where any of the powers as laid out in the Coronavirus Act 2020 Schedule 22, (Powers to Issue Directions Relating to Events, Gatherings and Premises) are enacted for all or any of England, Scotland, Wales, then this will be deemed to be a COVID19 Period for UNC purposes for the relevant Supply Meter Point when the Supply Meter Point is situated in the a part of the UK for the period during which any of the powers enacted relevant to that part of the UK are in force.</p> <p>Whilst sites have an Isolation flag under during the COVID-19 period, Re-establishment rule UNC TPD G 3.7.1 'Where a Supply Meter Point has been Isolated in accordance with paragraph 3.5.3 and the Transporter or the CDSP becomes aware that gas is capable of being off taken at that time (without further action being taken) from the Total System at such point then the Transporter or (as the case may be) the CDSP will notify the other, and the CDSP shall notify the Registered User of such fact' will not be applicable. Shipper Users will only be able to apply for the relevant COVID-19 period as specified above.</p> <p>Shipper Users are obligated to request an immediate removal of the Isolation flag should they become aware of usage of gas increasing</p>

	at the site above the de minimis level of 2.5% of the pre COVID-19 period. Shipper Users are obligated to request an immediate removal of the Isolation flag should the site no longer be classed as being deemed to be in a COVID-19 period, as per the UNC definition for this purpose set out in this Modification and UNC Transition Document. Any meter read liabilities will be suspended, where the Isolation flag is set for conditions met under this Modification.	
Proposed Release:	May 2020 - Adhoc	
Proposed Consultation Period:	<input type="checkbox"/> 10 Working Days	<input type="checkbox"/> 15 Working Days
	<input type="checkbox"/> 20 Working Days	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other [None due to urgency of the change]

#### A4: Benefits and Justification

Benefit Description:	This Modification should have a consequential impact on sites where Shipper Users are applying the Isolation flag under conditions set out in this Modification, as this will reduce the volume of energy and consequential UIG allocated against this site, and therefore any potential charges associated that would be passed directly on to consumers. <i>What, if any, are the tangible benefits of introducing this change? What, if any, are the intangible benefits of introducing this change?</i>
Benefit Realisation:	upon implementation <i>When are the benefits of the change likely to be realised?</i>
Benefit Dependencies:	none identified <i>Please detail any dependencies that would be outside the scope of the change, this could be reliance on another delivery, reliance on some other event that the projects has not got direct control of.</i>

#### A5: Final Delivery Sub-Group (DSG) Recommendations – Removed

(see Section C for DSG recommendations)

#### A6: Service Lines and Funding

Service Line(s) Impacted - New or existing	Service Area 1: Manage supply point registration
Level of Impact	Major/ Minor/ Unclear/ None
If None please give justification	
Impacts on UK Link Manual/ Data Permissions Matrix	
Level of Impact	Major/ Minor/ Unclear/ None

If None please give justification			
Funding Classes :	Customer Classes/ Funding	Delivery of Change	On-going Budget Amendment
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shipper	100 %	100 %
	<input type="checkbox"/> National Grid Transmission	XX %	XX %
	<input type="checkbox"/> Distribution Network Operator	XX %	XX %
	<input type="checkbox"/> IGT	XX %	XX %
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <please specify>	XX %	XX %
ROM or funding details:			
Funding Comments:			

### A7: ChMC Recommendation

Change Status:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approve	<input type="checkbox"/> Reject	<input type="checkbox"/> Defer
Industry Consultation:	<input type="checkbox"/> 10 Working Days	<input type="checkbox"/> 15 Working Days	
	<input type="checkbox"/> 20 Working Days	<input type="checkbox"/> Other [Specify Here]	
Expected date of receipt for responses (to Xoserve)	XX/XX/XXXX		

DSC Consultation Issue:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Date Issued:	Click here to enter a date.	
Comms Ref(s):		
Number of Responses:		

### A8: DSC Voting Outcome

Solution Voting:	<input type="checkbox"/> Shipper	Please select.
	<input type="checkbox"/> National Grid Transmission	Please select.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Distribution Network Operator	Please select.
	<input type="checkbox"/> IGT	Please select.
Meeting Date:	Click here to enter a date.	
Release Date:	Release: Feb / Jun / Nov XX or Adhoc DD/MM/YYYY or NA	
Overall Outcome:	<input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	If [Yes] please specify <Release>	

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# Version Control

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## Document

Version	Status	Date	Author(s)	Remarks
V1	With DSG	14/05/20	Rachel Taggart	Updated with the outcome from May ChMC meeting.