NTS Exit Reform

Interim Overview

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Overview

- Proposed Reforms Apply from 2008
 - Opportunities to obtain NTS Exit Capacity and Diurnal Flexibility from summer 2005
 - Products obtained for use in 2008 onwards
 - Billing arrangements apply from 2008

Interim arrangements will apply from May 2005 to 2008

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Granularity

- NTS Exit Capacity and
- Diurnal Flexibility

- NTS Exit Capacity and Diurnal Flexibility offered through three types of allocation
 - Long Term (years +3 to +n) Unconstrained
 - Medium Term (years 0 to 2) Constrained
 - Short Term (Day Ahead and Within Day)
- For products to be used in 2008 our proposal is:
 - First opportunity to demand long term in summer 2005
 - First opportunity to obtain medium term in summer 2006
 - Second opportunity to obtain medium term in summer 2007
 - Opportunities to obtain short term during 2008

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Table 1: Potential implementation timetable for NTS exit capacity release						
Time at which capacity rights made available	Type of rights and year in respect of which rights apply					
	2005/6	2006/7	2007/8	2008/9	2009/10	2010/11
Summer 2005	Interim arrangements	_	_	New long term rights release (Interim system support)	New long term rights release if (Interim system support)	New long term rights release (interim system support)
Summer 2006	х	Interim arrangements	_	New medium term rights release (Interim system support)	New long term rights release (Interim system support)	New long term rights release (Interim system support)
Summer 2007 Full system functionality available	х	х	Interim arrangements	New medium term rights release	New medium term rights release	New long term rights release
Summer 2008	х	х	х	New short term rights release	New medium term rights release	New medium term rights release

Interim Arrangements

- Two Options Under Consideration

Case A

- DN registration of Capacity.
- DN Payments to NTS.
- Revised Pricing Methodology to reflect payments from DN shippers to DN.
- Change closer to objective of "independent" DN.

Case B

- DNs allocated baseline capacity
- Shipper registration of capacity at supply point (including in DN)
- Shipper payments to NTS or DN for NTS Exit Capacity
- Minimal change option

In both cases the Implications are being explored

In both cases, Incentives act on NTS and DNs for efficient release and demand of capacity National Grid Transco

Our View

- NGT recommends that the proposed reforms should be progressively introduced for use from 2008.
- NGT proposes to clarify its proposals for the interim arrangements during the "Commercial workstreams" that will be completed during December 2005.

- Views are welcomed on.
 - Introduction of enduring arrangements for use from 2008 and.
 - The appropriate interim arrangements.

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