

DAWG Meeting #9

Date: Wednesday 25 November 2015

Time: 10:00 – 11:15

Venue: Gas Industry Co, Level 8, the Todd Building, 95 Customhouse Quay, Wellington

Minutes

Present	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anna Carrick • Brent Allen • Chris Bolton • Don Gray • Jim Raybould • Matthew Carnachan • Michael Grasty B. 	<p>From Gas Industry Co:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kerry Check • Pamela Caird • Patrick Wilson • Paul Cruse • Dave Weaver, Concept Consulting

By teleconference:

- Greg Redshaw
- William Turner

	Pam welcomed Paul Cruse to the meeting. Paul will be taking over Pam's responsibilities while she is away on sabbatical during calendar year 2016.
1	Funding agreement
	Gas Industry Co has received comments on the draft agreement from shippers and from Vector. Indications are that parties are now comfortable with the agreement.
2	D+1 participation agreement (moved up from agenda #7)
	<p>Discussion turned to the D+1 participation agreement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don indicated that another version of the agreement would be sent out to shippers by the end of the week. He is hopeful that it can be the final version. • One of the changes being made to the document is to add a provision that would allow it to be signed after 1 December but to take effect on 1 December. Don noted that Vector would still need about a week to prepare for a change in regime, so the deadline for all signatures would be 7 December. • Unanimity is required for the agreement itself; the schedules to the agreement can be changed later without unanimous agreement • Washups will be treated in the normal fashion for December • If agreement is not reached in time for daily BPP to be implemented for December, then the

	<p>earliest commencement date would be 1 February 2016.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some shippers indicated that they were working to get internal approval for the agreement, but it is not certain that they will be able to sign by 7 December.
3	D+1 Business rules
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> One issue in the Business rules remained unresolved: what to do if one or more gas gate injection data points were missing? After discussion around the table, attendees noted that the incidence of missing gate injection data was rare (Vector explicitly checks for missing data as part of its business day processes; experience with D+1 to date also suggests that it is a rare event), and so the simple, pragmatic course of action would be to treat the day as a non-Business Day. The D+1 Business Rules will reflect this decision. In the event that this rule became problematic, then we could look to revisit it in future. It was noted that Maui gate injection information could be missing as well as Vector gate information. D+1 does not rely on TPWP information, though it may affect MDL's ability to calculate cashouts for the day. The D+1 Business Rules have been updated and are attached as they will be published. A reminder about switching: the D+1 model uses registry information to determine how to allocate ToU customers. If a customer contract will take effect in advance of the switch being completed on the registry, the gaining and losing retailer can notify Gas Industry Co of the switch a minimum of 2 Business Days in advance to have it be accounted for in the D+1 allocation.
4	GIEP process
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Using secure file transfer protocol (sftp) is more reliable and more secure than emailing data Email is fragile: it relies on a Windows login (so susceptible to breaking due to updates and restarts) Registry participants already have the ability to use sftp to exchange files through the GIEP process available as part of the registry The goal is to migrate to using solely the GIEP process for data inputs and to distribute D+1 allocation results There is one Vector-metered site that is calculated by difference and so cannot come through with the other AMS-metered ToU information. There was discussion about the feasibility of incorporating the difference calculation into the D+1 model Dave mentioned that at the moment, D+1 results are published to both the production and test registries, but he is discontinuing the test registry
5	Other issues
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gas Industry Co presented a timeline of the processes that will occur on Business Days once BPP calculations are done. Attendees requested that GTA timeframes be added. (Table attached – let us know if you'd like further additions) In the event that D+1 allocations are re-run to correct an error, and the re-run is completed prior to Vector's deadline for data, then Gas Industry Co will notify Vector and retailers to ensure that the later run is used in BPP calculations. All errors and inaccuracies with the D+1 allocations will be washed up at the interim allocation. The D+1 system will be running between Christmas and New Year, so shouldn't prevent them from being Business Days (if they are also Business Days for Vector)