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CHANGE REPORT

I0274 – GAS PRESSURE AND CAPACITY INFORMATION TRANSPARENCY

DOCUMENT VERSION	V1.0
PROPOSED IMPLEMENTATION DATE	TBD
IMPLEMENTATION APPROACH	TBD

RESPONSIBLE COMMITTEE	Change Panel	CHANGE PATH	Self-Governance
PRIORITY STATUS	Low	URGENCY	Standard
IMPACTED STAKEHOLDERS	Gas Transporters, Gas Suppliers, GES Provider, Gas Consumers		

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OVERVIEW

For some Energy Suppliers, Meter Asset Managers (MAMs) and consumers, retrieving pressure and capacity information via the Gas Transporter 1 (GT1) process can be time consuming, for example, when it is required as part of the new connections process.

The Proposer is seeking to make this information available on the Gas Enquiry Service (GES) to allow for the data to be obtained more efficiently.

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BACKGROUND

1 SUMMARY

Section 13.4.18 of the Consolidated Metering Code of Practice (CoMCoP) sets out provisions related to retrieving gas pressure and capacity information from Gas Transporters (GTs). These provisions include reference to the GT1 process, which is a process that sits outside of Code.

The GT1 process allows for gas supply capacity and pressure information related to a property or business to be assessed. GT1 submissions can be made for various reasons, including as part of the new connections process, and to ensure that Energy Suppliers and MAMs understand the requirements of a specific site. It should also be noted that the GTs currently use the GT1 process to comply with the Gas Safety (Management) Regulations 1996, Regulation 6(8).

The GES allows for users to access essential gas market data. It provides information related to Registrable Measurement Points (RMPs) and is governed by the Retail Energy Code (REC). The GES does not currently provide pressure data and only provides meter capacity data. The Proposer is seeking to make this information available on the GES.

2 PROBLEM STATEMENT

For some Energy Suppliers, MAMs and consumers, retrieving pressure and capacity information via the GT1 process can be time consuming. This is due to elements like response timescales and methods (batch responses vs individual responses) being varied among GTs. This ultimately has a negative impact on customers waiting on site work, such as a new connection, for example.

3 IMPACTS

CONSUMERS
Gas Consumers

REC SERVICE PROVIDERS
GES Provider

RECCO / REC CODE MANAGER
REC Performance Assurance

REC PARTIES AND SERVICE USERS
Gas Transporters
Gas Suppliers
MAMs

REC DOCUMENTS / PRODUCTS
TBD

MHHS
None

The Code Manager's initial view on impacts is as follows:

- The **GES Provider** will need to make pressure and capacity information available on the GES;
- **GTs** will need to provide relevant pressure and capacity information to the GES Provider so that it can be made available to **Suppliers** and **MAMs**;
- Potential positive impact on **Gas Consumers** as making pressure and capacity data available via the GES may allow for site work, such as new connections, to be completed quicker and more efficiently; and
- The **Code Manager** will need to assess the impact this has on the Data Access Matrix (DAM) and Service User Categorisation and Assessment document (SUCAD) and adapt based on the new information available.

4 CROSS-CODE IMPACTS

This issue may have an impact on the Uniform Network Code (UNC) and the Independent Gas Transporters Uniform Network Code (IGT UNC). These Codes may need to be updated to introduce provisions that require GTs to provide pressure and capacity information at RMP level to the GES Provider.

It should be noted that IGT RMP level data is owned by IGTs and therefore data provisions usually sit within the remit of the IGT UNC rather than the UNC. As IGTs follow the same process as Gas Distribution Networks (GDNs) with regards to the GT1 process, a change to the IGT UNC may be required, should one be needed under the UNC, to ensure provisions for IGTs remain aligned with GDNs.

The Code Manager will assess the impact and any need for change under these Codes as part of solution development.

5 PROPOSAL PLAN

Milestone	Activity	From	To
Definition		**03 Nov-25**	**28 Feb-26**
	Solution Analysis	November	January
	Solution Development	January	February

The Code Manager is looking to develop and analyse the Solution between now and February 2026. During this time, the required legal drafting changes to the REC, as well as any changes that may be required under the UNC and/or the IGT UNC will be developed.

As it is currently not known whether there is an impact on the UNC and/or IGT UNC, the Code Manager is only proposing timescales for Solution Analysis and Solution Development.

6 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

The Code Manager will be involved in the implementation of the changes to ensure internal Code Manager documentation is aligned and updated to include the new Data Access Matrix (DAM) information. There is currently only a Graphical User Interface (GUI) for MAMs. It is assumed that the extra data items introduced will be added to that. The Code Manager does not necessarily forsee an uplift in applications as a result.

7 PRIORITY STATUS AND URGENCY

PRIORITISATION MATRIX

Category	Significance / Resource impacts / Urgency	Further selection / breakdown	Score (0-3)	Weighting	Weighted Score
Impacts	Consumer Impact	Direct	1	27	27
	Retail Markets Impact	Innovation and Market Arrangements	1	17	17
	RECCo / REC Party / REC Service Provider Impact	Operational Effectiveness and Efficiencies	2	7	13
		Legal and Regulatory Compliance	0	14	0
Resource	Complexity / Effort / Duration		2	9	18
Strategic Alignment	Contribution to/ Alignment with the objectives of the REC		1	17	8
	Contribution to/ Alignment with RECCo's Forward Work Plan		0		0
Urgency *(The need to progress a change to meet a targeted date)*		Other Planned Activity	0	10	0
				Overall Priority Score (rounded)	83

Priority Score	Priority Status
171 and above	Critical
151 to 170	High
101 to 150	Medium
0 to 100	Low

Priority Status	LOW
Change Proposal Type	STANDARD

Urgent Change Proposals meet the Criteria for Urgency as set out by Ofgem

This issue has been given a priority status of Low, based on a score of 83. This score has been calculated as follows:

- Consumer impact and Retail market impact has been given a score of 1, indicating a low impact. There may be an improvement in the completion of site works, such as new connections, as a result of data being available faster. This would support innovation and market arrangements and would be of benefit to consumers.
- Operational effectiveness has been given a score of 2 indicating a moderate impact. While including data currently obtained via the GT1 on the GES may introduce efficiencies for Suppliers and MAMs that find the current process time consuming. It is not yet known how much effort may be required from GTs to obtain the information and provide it.
- While legal compliance has been given a score of 0, GTs currently use the GT1 process to comply with the Gas Safety (Management) Regulations 1996, Regulation 6(8), which places a duty on a person conveying gas in a Network to provider certain information, and it is important to be mindful of this.
- Complexity and effort has been given a score of 2, indicating a moderate impact as a result of the potential cross-Code impacts.

- Contribution to objectives of the REC have been given a score of 1, indicating low impact, as the changes proposed would support innovation.

8 APPENDIX

CHANGE PROPOSAL	Link
LEGAL DRAFTING	TBD
CONSOLIDATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT RESPONSES	TBD
CONSOLIDATED CONSULTATION RESPONSES	TBD
RELATED CHANGE(S)	None
ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS	None

9 GLOSSARY

TERM	DEFINITION
Term	As per schedule 1
Data Access Matrix (DAM)	means the matrix describing which Enquiry Service Data each Enquiry Service User Category can access, which forms part of the Data Specification and is updated in Interpretations and Definitions 22 Copyright 2025 Retail Energy Code Company accordance with the Data Access Schedule.
Gas Enquiry Service (GES)	means: (a) until CSS Go-Live Date, the enquiry service provided pursuant to the UNC which allows authorised users to access Gas Retail Data; and (b) from CSS Go-Live Date, the service of that name procured by RECCo pursuant to the Data Access Schedule.
Gas Enquiry Service Provider (GES Provider)	means the provider of the Gas Enquiry Service
Gas Transporter (GT)	means a person holding a Gas Transporter Licence which requires that person to become a Party to this Code.

Meter Asset Managers (MAMs)	means a Party which has Qualified in that role under the Qualification and Maintenance Schedule. Where used in respect of a particular Supply Meter Point, it means the MAM Appointed by a Gas Supplier in accordance with the Metering Operations Schedule. The MAM is accountable for the installation, replacement, repair and maintenance of gas Metering Equipment (either itself or by an AMI), and the MAM must also therefore be Accredited under the Metering Accreditation Schedule.
Registrable Measurement Points (RMPs)	means a Supply Meter Point or Metering Point identified in the Central Switching Service.