

Introduction of a Medium Pressure Tier Enquiry Facility for UIP/iGT Customers (UIP/iGT Briefing Note 14)

1. Introduction

Following the recent introduction of National Grid's external 'Standard Source Pressure' document (T/SP/NP/14/E) UIP/iGT customers have identified the need for a process for obtaining pressure tier information relating to National Grid's medium pressure gas distribution network when requesting a connection.

To address customer requirements National Grid has now developed a request facility which will allow UIP/iGT customers to request the specific pressure tier information on the required network. This will enable customers to produce medium pressure designs for requests which fall within the standard design tables in T/SP/NP/14/E and allow them to 'fast track' their request to acceptance without the need for a quotation.

This briefing note clarifies the process UIP/iGT should follow when requesting pressure tier information relating to National Grid's gas distribution network.

Note: for further details of the 'fast track' options available to customers, please refer to UIP/iGT Briefing Notes 10 & 15 available on National Grid's website (see link below).

2. Overview

The key requirements of the process are as follows:-

- UIP/iGT customers will be required to submit their requests for medium pressure tier information on FM176, which will be available from the National Grid website. See example completed form in appendix A. Note this is a Word document to enable editing and submission by email.
- Requests should be submitted to Network Strategy by email to :-

box.networkanalysis@uk.ngrid.com

Alternatively, the form can be submitted by fax or by post as detailed below:-

Fax Server: +44 (0)845 0700868

National Grid
Network Strategy Connections
Block 4 Area 6
Brick Kiln Street
Hinckley
Leicestershire
LE10 0NA

- National Grid will validate the request and complete the pressure tier information in the response section of the FM176 form and return to the UIP/iGT within a target of D+3

3. Implementation

Implementation of this facility will apply from 1st November 2006. The new FM176 request form will be available from the National Grid website at the following address:
www.nationalgrid.com/uk/Gas/Connections/

Appendix A – Example Request for Medium Pressure Tier Information – FM176

On completion, please email to box.networkanalysis@uk.ngrid.com or fax to 0845 0700 868

All the information in this form supplied by the individual, firm, company to National Grid is confidential to that individual, firm or company and MUST NOT be disclosed to any other person, including any person employed in National Grid's connections service provider, without the consent of that individual, firm or company.

Date of Request	20/10/06	Customer Ref. No	EG001
Enquiring Company Name	Pressure Tier Example Ltd		
Contact Name	A. N. Other		
Address 1	Example Street	Telephone No	11111
Address 2	Example Location	Fax No	222222
Address 3	Example Town	Email: another@etc.co.uk	
Address 4	Example County		
Postcode	Z11 1ZZ		

Proposed Site Information

Site Name	Hinckley Example	Requested Connection Point Location:		
Site Address 1	Example Street	Easting	505505	
Site Address 2	Example Location	Northing	305305	
Site Address 3	Example Town	Preferred Reply Method : (*delete as appropriate)	Email	YES
Site Address 4	Example County		Fax	*YES/NO
Post Code	ZZ2 ZZZ		Post	*YES/NO

National Grid Response

Date Received	20/10/06
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Pressure Tier	Design Minimum Pressure (DMP)	Lowest Operating Pressure (LOP)	Maximum Operating Pressure (MOP)	Design Pressure (DP)	Design Maximum Incidental pressure (DMIP)
MP35 <input type="checkbox"/>	35 mbar	35mbar	185 mbar	2.0 bar	2.7 bar
MP65 <input type="checkbox"/>	65 mbar	75 mbar	250 mbar	2.0 bar	2.7 bar
MP105 <input type="checkbox"/>	105 mbar	105 mbar	1.1 bar	2.0 bar	2.7 bar
MP180 <input type="checkbox"/>	180 mbar	180 mbar	1.6 bar	2.0 bar	2.7 bar
MP270 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	270 mbar	280 mbar	2.0 bar	2.0 bar	2.7 bar
OTHER <input type="checkbox"/>					

Name	A. Analyst	Telephone	222222
Replied Date	20/10/06		
Additional Comments			

Note – The response provided is solely for the provision of pressure tier information at the location requested. This response does not confirm the availability of gas nor does it reserve any capacity.