

## **Introduction**

In August 2012 the way we engage with customers who are looking at developing a new connection or modifying an existing connection to our Gas National Transmission System changed. As part of these changes we undertook to provide more transparency in the way we operate the arrangements, including:

- Clear processes and timeframes
- Schedule of charges
- Published framework contracts
- Regular reporting of our performance

This is the eleventh report produced since the implementation of the revised arrangements in August 2012, and covers the period from October–December 2015.

## **Overview of the Arrangements**

There are two types of connection offers that customers can request; an Initial Connection Offer (ICO) which provides an early estimate of the physical construction costs; programme of works and layout of the proposed Connection, and a Full Connection Offer (FCO) which provides a detailed estimate of the physical construction costs, programme of works and layout of the proposed Connection based on design / engineering studies. There is also the option for the customer to request a modification to an existing Full Connection Offer.

Each of these offers has set timescales (e.g. 2 months for an ICO and 6 months for a simple FCO, i.e. a small transmission connection), agreed through consultation with the Industry.

## **Content of the Report**

This report communicates our reporting requirements under Uniform Network Code - Transportation Principal Documentation Section V, 13.7.2, in the period October – December 2015 and contains charts displaying our performance in each of the following areas:

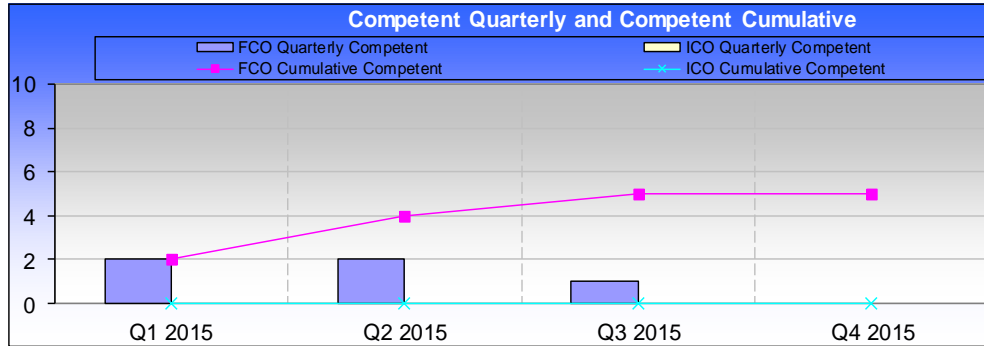
- Competent Quarterly & Competent Cumulative Connection Applications - This chart shows how many ICO & FCO applications have been received where all necessary information has been provided
- Initial Connection and Full Connection Offers made - These 2 charts show how many offers of each type have been made

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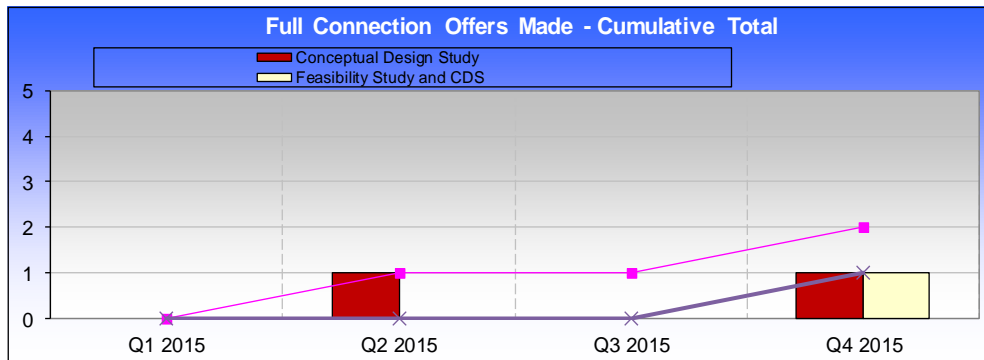
#### Description of Measure:

The number of Competent Applications received for Initial and Full Connection Offer(s) (ICO & FCO)

- Quarterly
- Cumulative

#### Current Analysis

0 ICO Applications received in Q4 2015  
0 FCO Applications received in Q4 2015



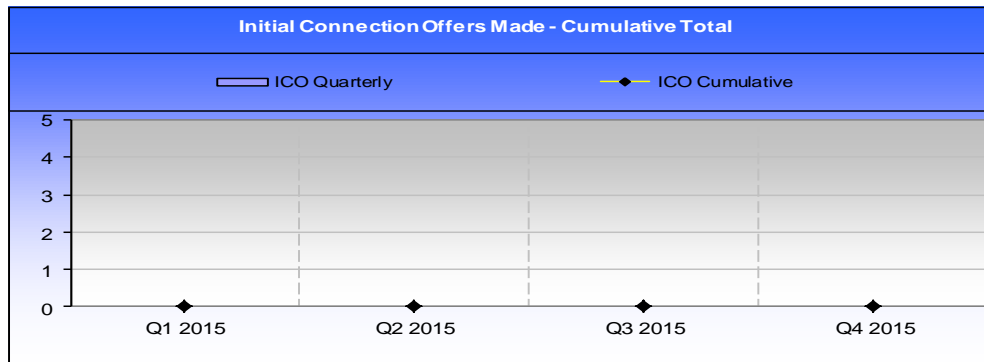
#### Description of Measure:

The cumulative number of Full Connection Offers made in accordance with UNC 13.5.1 in each Quarter:

- 6 Months Conceptual Design Study (CDS)
- 9 Months Feasibility Study+CDS

#### Current Analysis

2 Full Connection Offers made in Q4 2015



#### Description of Measure:

The cumulative number of Initial Connection Offers made in accordance with UNC 13.5.1 in each Quarter:

- 2 Months ICO (standard)

#### Current Analysis

0 Initial Connection Offer made in Q4 2015