

**Summary of the Incremental Exit  
Capacity in the transitional period from  
1 October 2008 to 30 September 2012**

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## 1 Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report has been compiled to satisfy National Grid's obligation to provide such information under section C8E paragraph 4(d) of National Grid's Gas Transporters Licence.
- 1.2 This document details the NTS incremental exit capacity as known as at 1<sup>st</sup> April 2008, which has been registered or is likely to be registered within the period 1 October 2008 to 30 September 2012.
- 1.3 For the duration of this document, exit capacity relates to both flat and flex capacity, however, there will be no release of incremental flex capacity above the baseline of 238GWh/d (conversion rate from mcm/d to GWh/d is 10.83).
- 1.4 The data reported here is taken from the 2007 Offtake Capacity Statements and is likely to change when updated Offtake Capacity Statements are provided.

## 2 Introduction

- 2.1 Section C8E paragraph 4(d) of National Grid's Gas Transporter Licence in respect of the NTS, "the Licence", sets out obligations to provide the Authority with a written report in respect of NTS incremental exit capacity which has been registered or is likely to be registered within the period from 1 October 2008 and 30 September 2011 or such dates that the Authority otherwise directs in writing. The Authority has subsequently provided a written direction to National Grid to extend the information reporting period by an additional year to 30 September 2012.
- 2.2 Incremental exit capacity for an exit point is defined as capacity in excess of transitional baselines for that exit point.
- 2.3 Detailed in this report are:
  - 2.3.1 the NTS exit points at which the NTS incremental exit capacity has been registered or is likely to be registered
  - 2.3.2 the volume of such NTS incremental exit capacity in GWh per day by NTS exit point
  - 2.3.3 the date from which such NTS incremental exit capacity has been registered or is likely to be registered
- 2.4 Some of the incremental exit capacity has been accommodated through progression of NTS reinforcement or by other commercial arrangements.
- 2.5 For the offtakes that receive gas from the NTS for supply into the Distribution Networks (DN), an Offtake Capacity Statement (OCS) is required in accordance with the Uniform Network Code (Transmission Principal Document paragraph B6.3). Acceptance by NTS of the quantities set out by DNs in each OCS (typically one per network) is the principal means for DNs to demonstrate User Commitment. In circumstances where NTS investment is required to support demands for incremental capacity an Advanced Reservation of Capacity Agreement (ARCA) agreement between NTS and a DN may also be required to support the User Commitment.
- 2.6 In the 2007 OCS's, the period 1 October 2011 through to 30 September 2012 was classed as an indicative year. The DN's indicative requests for 2011/12 are expected to be confirmed by the registration of capacity requirements by DNs in July 2008.
- 2.7 For the NTS/Direct Connect offtakes a NExA and, where required, an Advanced Reservation of Capacity is classed as registered capacity with a specific user commitment.

- 2.8 All of the incremental exit capacity that is released is done so under the terms of the Exit Capacity Release Statement.

### 3 NTS Incremental Exit Capacity

#### Registered NTS Incremental Exit Flat Capacity

- 3.1 The following table details where a specific user commitment for incremental exit capacity has been received and registered.

DN	Gas Year	Aggregated Total Exit Flat Capacity GWh/d	Aggregated Baseline	Aggregated Increment
EA	2008/09	122.03	101.22	20.81
EA	2009/10	123.59	101.22	22.37
EA	2010/11	124.88	101.22	23.66
EM	2008/09	410.92	360.5	50.42
EM	2009/10	422.63	360.5	62.13
EM	2010/11	428.14	360.5	67.64
NO	2008/09	90.04	87.07	2.97
NO	2009/10	90.47	87.07	3.4
NO	2010/11	91.49	87.07	4.42
NT	2008/09	231.21	62.32	168.89
NT	2009/10	237.04	46.41	190.63
NT	2010/11	255.92	62.32	193.6
NW	2008/09	288.07	275.24	12.83
NW	2009/10	148.68	134.56	14.12
NW	2010/11	149.24	134.56	14.68
PS	2009/10	43.1	0	43.1
SC	2008/09	43	28.33	14.67
SC	2009/10	70.38	53.77	16.61
SC	2010/11	89.47	53.77	35.7
SO	2008/09	284.59	278.81	5.78
SO	2009/10	290.13	278.81	11.32
SO	2010/11	469.26	438.94	30.32
SW	2008/09	54.06	0	54.06
SW	2009/10	97.27	42.25	55.02
SW	2010/11	313.88	199.74	114.14
WM	2009/10	21.09	21.04	0.05
WM	2010/11	21.29	21.04	0.25
WS	2008/09	51.92	46.67	5.25
WS	2009/10	61.44	46.67	14.77
WS	2010/11	81.65	46.67	34.98

The above capacities can be accommodated under the terms defined in the Exit Capacity Release statement.

**NTS Incremental Exit Flat Capacity Likely to be Registered**

- 3.2 The following table details where a specific user commitment for incremental exit capacity has not been received but an indication that it is likely to be received and registered by way of the 2008 Offtake Capacity Statements and the terms laid out in the ExCR document.

<b>DN</b>	<b>Gas Year</b>	<b>Aggregated Total Exit Flat Capacity GWh/d</b>	<b>Aggregated Baseline</b>	<b>Aggregated Increment</b>
EA	2011/12	154.34	126.67	27.67
EM	2011/12	475.09	360.5	114.59
NT	2011/12	252.53	46.41	206.12
NW	2011/12	482.84	449.11	33.73
WM	2011/12	22.59	21.04	1.55

- 3.3 Where a specific user commitment for incremental exit capacity has not been received but an indication that it is likely to be received and registered by way of an ARCA and the terms laid out in the ExCR document.

<b>DN</b>	<b>Gas Year</b>	<b>Aggregated Total Exit Flat Capacity GWh/d</b>	<b>Aggregated Baseline</b>	<b>Aggregated Increment</b>
Power Station	2008/09	61.95	0	61.95
Power Station	2009/10	44.16	40.08	4.08
Power Station	2011/12	87	0	87

**NTS Incremental Exit Flex Capacity Likely to be Registered**

- 3.4 It is anticipated that the quantity of flex likely to be registered for 2011/12 is 287GWh/d, however, there will be no release of incremental flex capacity above the national baseline of 238GWh/d.