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- What is it?
  - It represents the volume of storage required to support all firm demand throughout a severe (1 in 50 cold) winter.
  - Assumes Non Storage Supplies performs in line with NG Transmissions best view.
  - Published for information only
- What's different for 2011/12
  - Revised DN Interruption Arrangements (Mod 0090) – DN sites now considered Firm
    - Total demand assumptions have not changed
    - Increased the Firm monitor levels to ~ 95% of total storage space

# Firm Gas Monitor - Requirements

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- Section Q of UNC requires NG to inform the industry if:
  - The volume of storage gas has fallen OR is expected to fall below the Firm Monitor Level.
  
- Following the increase in Firm Monitor level – expectations are that:
  - Gas in Storage will be below the Firm monitor level on majority of days
  - Total storage stocks will fluctuate above/below the Firm monitor – dependant upon market conditions
  
- National Grid will therefore
  - Not be issuing daily notifications when storage stocks fall below the Firm Monitor level
  - Will inform the industry when gas in storage drops below or rises above the Firm Monitor Level