

## OGA POLICY STATEMENT – CHANGE TO THE GAS DAY

Following the implementation of the EU Uniform Network Code (UNC) 461, which came into effect on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015, the UK downstream gas day is now aligned with that in the rest of the EU and runs from 05:00 to 05:00, rather than 06:00 to 06:00, as previously.

Officials from the Oil & Gas Authority (OGA) and the Department of Energy & Climate Change (DECC) have supported the process by which UNC 461 will be implemented in the upstream sector of the UK gas industry. As yet no firm deadline has been set for the implementation of the new gas day on offshore measurement systems, and most companies are currently making use of a scaling approach that converts 06:00-06:00 quantities to the new gas day. Note that there are some cases where changes have been made to upstream arrangements in order to align with the downstream gas day.

Operators of gas measurement systems covered by the terms of the OGA Measurement Guidelines [1] should note that:

- New flow computer and/or associated database systems should be made ready to implement the new gas day.
- Where modifications to existing flow computer and/or database systems are planned, Operators should discuss with OGA the opportunities for implementing the facility to change to the new gas day.

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References:

- [1] See para 1.3 of *OGA Guidance Notes for Petroleum Measurement* (Issue 9.2, Oct 2015) – available at <https://www.gov.uk/oil-and-gas-measurement-of-petroleum>