

## iGT UNC / iGT INC Consultation Response

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<b>Reference</b>	<b>iGT005 Consultation</b>
<b>Title</b>	AQ Review Process - Requirement for iGTs to operate AW Review Process in line with that followed under the UNC
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<b>Position on the Modification</b>	<b>Support Modification</b>

**Facilitation of the relevant objectives**

*How this proposal will, if implemented, better facilitate the “code relevant objectives”, as defined in Condition 9 of the Gas Transporters Licence.*

We agree with the Proposer that introducing a process that is as robust as the UNC AQ Process will further the relevant objectives as Users can be assured that energy and costs are appropriately allocated to the correct market sector thus facilitating competition between Shippers and their Suppliers.

**Additional Information and Comments**

Thank you for inviting us to comment on this modification proposal. RWE npower support the implementation of this Modification Proposal as we support any initiative that helps to standardise processes across the iGT industry. We are also keen to align iGT processes with the Large Transporter's processes, as we believe it will help to drive down costs, which should ultimately be of benefit to the end consumer.

The AQ Review process is pivotal in determining the costs that Shippers are charged by both iGTs and Large Transporters. We consider that it is imperative that the AQ Review Process is conducted in a robust, consistent and transparent manner across the iGT market and believe that the introduction of UNC procedures will give Users confidence in the process and so encourage Users to participate in the Review. It will also enable new entrants (either Shippers or iGTs) to have certainty over developing procedures, as all parties will be using the same.

We accept that the success of the AQ Review relies on the participation of both iGTs and Shippers and it is apparent from presentations by the iGTs, that Shipper participation is extremely low. We believe that with the implementation of this modification proposal, it will encourage more Shippers to participate as they will be able to conduct the iGT AQ Review alongside that of the Large Transporters.

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