

## **GAS SUPPLY LICENCE: CONDITIONS**

### **Condition 1: Definitions**

1.1 This condition sets out defined words and expressions used in the standard conditions of this licence (all of which begin with capital letters) and gives their definitions next to them.

### **Definitions in alphabetical order**

1.2 In this licence, unless the context otherwise requires:

<b>Act</b>	means the Gas Act 1986;
<b>Affiliate Licensee</b>	means any Subsidiary, Holding Company, or Subsidiary of a Holding Company of the licensee which holds a gas supply licence granted or treated as granted pursuant to section 7A(1) of the Gas Act 1986 and/or an electricity supply licence granted or treated as granted pursuant to section 6(1)(d) of the Electricity Act 1989;
<b>Authorised</b>	in relation to any business or activity, means authorised by licence granted or treated as granted under section 6 of the Act or, in appropriate cases, by exemption granted under section 5 of the Act;
<b>Authority</b>	means the Gas and Electricity Markets Authority established under section 1 of the Utilities Act 2000;
<b>Bill</b>	means an invoice or a demand for payment or any other instrument of the same or similar character and purpose;
<b>Charges for the Supply of Gas</b>	means, as between the licensee and a Customer, charges made by the licensee in respect of the supply of gas to that Customer's premises, including (but not limited to) any Unit Rate (or, where applicable, Standing Charges) and any charges made for the provision of a Gas Meter;
<b>CH Technical Specification</b>	means, the Communications Hub Technical Specification, being the document (or part of a document) which:

- (a) identifies itself as such; and
- (b) applies in respect of a Communications Hub installed or provided for the purposes of the supply of gas.

**Citizens Advice** means the National Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux.

**Citizens Advice Scotland** means the Scottish Association of Citizens Advice Bureaux.

**Communications Hub** means:

- (a) a device identified as a communications hub by the DCC,

taken together with

- (b) any aerial which is required for the effective operation of that communications hub and is (or will be, when they are both installed) either a part of that device or situated adjacent to it,

in each case as provided by the DCC in accordance with its obligations under Part E of Condition 17 of the DCC Licence (Terms for the Provision of the Communications Hub Service).

**Compatible** in respect of a Version of a Technical Specification, means compatible, in accordance with the meaning given to that expression in Section F2.12 of the Smart Energy Code, with a Version of any other Technical Specification as identified in the matrix created and published by the SEC Panel pursuant to Section F2.11 of the Smart Energy Code.

**Customer** means any person supplied or requiring to be supplied with gas at any premises in Great Britain;

**DCC** means the holder of the DCC Licence.

<b>DCC Licence</b>	means the licence for the provision of a smart meter communication service granted pursuant to section 7AB of the Gas Act 1986.
<b>Designated Premises</b>	means Non-Domestic Premises at which the measured annual consumption of gas is 732,000 kWh or less;
<b>Domestic Customer</b>	means a Customer supplied or requiring to be supplied with gas at Domestic Premises but excludes such Customer insofar as he is supplied or requires to be supplied at premises other than Domestic Premises;
<b>Domestic Premises</b>	has the meaning given in and is to be interpreted in accordance with standard condition 6 (Classification of premises);
<b>Electricity Supply Licence</b>	means an electricity supply licence granted or treated as granted under section 6(1)(d) of the Electricity Act 1989;
<b>Gas Meter</b>	means a meter which conforms to the requirements of section 17(1) of the Act and is of an appropriate type for registering the quantity of gas supplied;
<b>Gas Supplier</b>	means any person who holds a Gas Supply Licence;
<b>Gas Supply Licence</b>	means a gas supply licence granted or treated as granted under section 7A(1) of the Act;
<b>HAN</b>	<p>means, in relation to a Smart Metering System, the home area network operating within one or more harmonised frequency bands, which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) is created by virtue of the HAN Interfaces of that Smart Metering System; and</li> <li>(b) constitutes a means by which information can be exchanged between that Smart Metering System and any other device or system.</li> </ul>

<b>HAN Date</b>	means, in respect of each Domestic Premises, the date on which the HAN first extends into a part of the premises that is located within the main dwelling area of the premises.
<b>HAN Interface</b>	<p>means in respect of a Smart Metering System a HAN Interface:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) having the meaning given to that term in the Metering Equipment Section of the Version of the SME Technical Specification in accordance with which the Smart Metering System is maintained pursuant to the requirements of standard condition 33 (Smart Metering System – Roll-out, Installation and Maintenance); and</li> <li>(b) which is operating at a frequency, and using the communications standards applicable to that frequency as specified in that Version of the SME Technical Specification.</li> </ul>
<b>Information</b>	means information (other than information subject to legal privilege) in any form or medium and of any description specified by the Authority and includes any documents, accounts, estimates, returns, records or reports and data of any kind, whether or not prepared specifically at the request of the Authority;
<b>Installation Date</b>	<p>means, in relation to a Smart Metering System:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) where the system is installed after the Smart Metering Designated Date, the date on which it is installed; or</li> <li>(b) where the system is installed on or before the Smart Metering Designated Date, the Smart Metering Designated Date.</li> </ul>
<b>IHD Technical Specification</b>	means the part(s) of the SME Technical Specification which:

(a) identifies itself as such; and

(b) applies in respect of an In-Home Display,

and any reference to a "Version" in the context of an IHD Technical Specification shall be read as a reference to the Version of the SME Technical Specification in which the IHD Technical Specification is included.

**In-Home Display (or IHD)**

means a device provided at premises which, on the date on which it is provided:

(a) is a device of a type identifies in a Version of the IHD Technical Specification which is within its Installation Validity Period on that date; and

(b) as a minimum, has the functional capability specified by and complies with the other requirements of that Version of the IHD Technical Specification.

**Installation Validity Period**

has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**Large Gas Meter**

means a Gas Meter designed to operate with a maximum flow rate of greater than 11 cubic metres per hour;

**Maintenance Validity Period**

has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**Meter Point**

means a number relevant to the registration of a Customer Reference Number that is prescribed by the Network Code;

**Metering Equipment Section**

means the part(s) of the SME Technical Specification identified in that document as applying to 'Gas Smart Metering Equipment' (or in respect of any Version of the SME Technical Specification with a Principal Version number of 1, identified as applying to a 'Gas Smart Metering System').

**Non-Domestic Customer**

means a customer who is not a Domestic Customer;

<b>Non-Domestic Premises</b>	has the meaning given in and is to be interpreted in accordance with standard condition 6 (Classification of premises);
<b>Non-Domestic Supply Contract</b>	means a Contract for the supply of gas to Non-Domestic Premises, as varied from time to time;
<b>Notice</b>	means notice given directly to a person in Writing;
<b>Outstanding Charges</b>	means the amount of any Charges for the Supply of Gas which are due to the licensee from a Domestic Customer, have been demanded of that Domestic Customer by the licensee in Writing at least 28 days previously and remain unpaid;
<b>Pensionable Age</b>	means, in relation to any person, pensionable age within the meaning given by section 48(2B) of the Act;
<b>Prepayment Meter</b>	includes any Gas Meter operating in a mode which requires a Domestic Customer to pay Charges for the Supply of Gas in advance, and references to the installation or removal of a Prepayment Meter includes the switching of any Gas Meter to or from such a mode;
<b>PPMID Technical Specification</b>	<p>means the part(s) of the SME Technical Specification which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) identifies itself as such; and</li> <li>(b) applies in respect of a PPMID,</li> </ul> <p>and any reference to a "Version" in the context of a PPMID Technical Specification shall be read as a reference to the Version of the SME Technical Specification in which the PPMID Technical Specification is included.</p>

<b>Prepayment Meter Interface Device</b> (or PPMID)	<p>means <del>either a SMETS1 PPMID or</del> a device installed <del>at any Domestic Premises or Designated Premises which on the date it is</del> <u>(or to be installed)</u> at a premises which:</p> <p>(a) <del>comprises a device which</del> <u>consists of the components of each apparatus identified in</u>; and</p> <p>(b) <u>as a minimum, has the functional capability specified by and complies with the other requirements of,</u></p> <p>(i) <del>is capable of connecting through the HAN to a device forming part of a Smart Metering System; and</del></p> <p>(ii) <del>where such a connection is in place, replicates the functionality provided by or on a Gas Meter forming part of that Smart Metering System for the purposes of facilitating the use, by the Customer, of the Gas Meter as Prepayment Meter; and</del></p> <p><del>may also comprise one or more associated or ancillary devices, installed or provided for the purposes of the supply of gas, identified in a Version (and where there is more than one such device, in the same Version) of the PPMID Technical Specification which</del> <u>is was</u> within its <u>Maintenance Installation</u> Validity Period on the date <del>of installation</del> <u>on which the device was installed</u>.</p>
<b>Principal Version</b>	has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.
<b>Proposed Supplier Transfer</b>	in relation to any premises at which a Gas Supplier is supplying gas, means the proposed transfer of responsibility for that supply from that Gas Supplier to any other Gas Supplier;
<b>Relevant Gas Supplier</b>	in relation to any premises, means the Gas Supplier that is supplying gas to the premises;

<b>Representative</b>	in relation to the licensee, means any person directly or indirectly authorised to represent the licensee in its dealings with Customers;
<b>Smart Energy Code</b>	means the document of that name, as designated by the Secretary of State under Condition 22 of the DCC Licence.
<b>Smart Metering Designated Date</b>	means the date on which the SME Technical Specification is designated by the Secretary of State;
<b>Smart Metering System</b>	<p>means, in respect of any Domestic Premises or Designated Premises, a system installed at such premises for the purposes of the supply of gas to those premises which on the Installation Date:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) consists of a Gas Meter and any associated or ancillary devices identified in the Metering Equipment Section of a Version of the SME Technical Specification which is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) within its Installation Validity Period; and</li> <li>(ii) the same Version in respect of all such devices;</li> </ul> </li> <li>(b) as a minimum, has the functional capability specified by and complies with the other requirements of that Version of the SME Technical Specification; and</li> <li>(c) where that premises is a Domestic Premises, except where that Version of the SME Technical Specification has a Principal Version number of 1, includes a Relevant Communications Hub,</li> </ul> <p>and where such a system installed at a Domestic Premises or Designated Premises is a Smart Metering System on the Installation Date it shall continue to be a Smart Metering System until such date as it is removed from the premises in its entirety.</p>



**SME Technical Specification** means the document set out in Schedule 9 of the Smart Energy Code.

<b><u>SMETS1 PPMID</u></b>	<b><u>has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.</u></b>
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**SMETS1 Smart Metering System** means a Smart Metering System that meets the requirements of a Version of the SME Technical Specification with a Principal Version number of 1.

**SMETS2+ Smart Metering System** means a Smart Metering System that meets the requirements of a Version of the SME Technical Specification with a Principal Version number that is greater than 1.

**SM WAN** has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**SM WAN Coverage Database** has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**Specified Frequency Band** means the 2400 – 2483.5 MHz harmonised frequency band.

**Sub-Version** has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**Supplier** means any person authorised to supply gas and/or electricity by virtue of a Gas Supply Licence and/or an Electricity Supply Licence;

**Technical Specification** means:

- (a) in respect of a Smart Metering System, the Metering Equipment Section of the SME Technical Specification;
- (b) in respect of a Communications Hub, the CH Technical Specification;
- (c) in respect of an In-Home Display, the IHD Technical Specification; and

in respect of a Prepayment Meter Interface Device, the PPMID Technical Specification.

**Version**

has the meaning given to it in the Smart Energy Code.

**Website**

means a website controlled and used by the licensee to communicate with a Customer for reasons relating to the supply of gas;

**Writing**

includes writing sent or received by Electronic Communication and "Written" shall be construed accordingly.